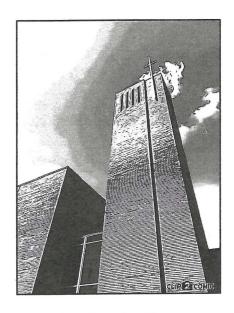
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+Order of Service+

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Palm Sunday

Divine Service Setting Three

LSB 184

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Reading of the Palm Sunday Procession John 12:12-19 Opening Hymn: All Glory, Laud, and Honor LSB 442

Confession and Absolution LSB 184

Introit (Gloria Patri omitted) and Kyrie LSB 186 ff.

Gloria in Excelsis Omitted during Lent

Collect of the Day LSB 189

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 32:36-39

Epistle Philippians 2:5-11 **Holy Gospel** John 12:20-43

Creed

Hymn of the Day: A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth LSB 438

Sermon
Offertory
Prayers of the Church
Communion Liturgy LSB 194
Distribution Hymns

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed LSB 437
Prepare the Royal Highway LSB 343
The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord LSB 634

Concluding Liturgy LSB 199

Announcements

Closing Hymn: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty LSB 441

SERVING US TODAY IN GOD'S HOUSE

Musicians: Heidi Koeritz Maundy Thursday & God Firday Juleen Breitbarth Ushers: Kerry Krenz, Sawyer Krenz, Cade Ekstrom, Alex Weihe, Cade Hotzler

Maundy Thursday: Larry Hintz, Jeff Hoppe, Lowell Boesch, Ken Urban

Elder of the Month: Ken Urban



Introit Ps. 24:7-10; antiphon: Ps. 118:26

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!*

We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O | ancient doors,* that the King of glory | may come in.

Who is this King of | glory?*

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in | battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O | ancient doors,* that the King of glory | may come in.

Who is this King of | glory?*

The LORD of hosts, he is the King of | glory!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!*

We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 32:36-39

For the LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free. (37) Then he will say, 'Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, (38) who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection! (39) "See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.

Epistle Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, (6) who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, (7) but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. (8) And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. (9) Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, (10) so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, (11) and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel John 12:20-43

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. (21) So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." (22) Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. (23) And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. (24) Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. (25) Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. (26) If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. (27) "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. (28) Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." (29) The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." (30) Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. (31) Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. (32) And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." (33) He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. (34) So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" (35) So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. (36) While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. (37) Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, (38) so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" (39) Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said, (40) "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them." (41) Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. (42) Nevertheless. many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue: (43) for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.



 10^{R} 0, Scripture declares that in the Sacrament of the Altar each communicant receives the body and blood of Christ to eat and to drink with the mouth of their bodies. Communicants who believe this receive forgiveness of sins, those who don't eat and drink judgement R unto themselves. Communion also is a confession of oneness of the Faith we are baptized into, is preached in our pulpit, and summarized in the Small Catechism. Sadly, since these clear doctrines of The Holy Bible are not accepted by all Christian denominations, we

continue the historic Christian practice of Closed Communion. We request that anyone who is not a communicant member of the LC-MS please speak with our Pastor or an elder before the service and join our congregation in singing hymns during the distribution. Membership classes are offered.

Online giving is an easy and reliable method to contribute to St. Paul's Lutheran. You can make a one-time donation or schedule recurring contributions. This option is available through the church's website; spltruman.com or by simply scanning the following QR code.





April 13, 2025

Worship: Sundays @ 9am - Chapel: Wednesdays @ 10am Midweek Services during Advent & Lent: Wednesdays @ 10am & 6pm

BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Morning Bible Class & Sunday School: 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study: 10-11 a.m. Wednesday After-School Confirmation: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE

Attendance Last Sunday: 125

Communion: 95

Offerings Given Last Sunday: \$4,874.00

School Roof Fund: \$ 39,953.27 (Total cost: \$95,000.00)

PTL will be adding \$ 13,033.50

IN OUR PRAYERS

†Travis Meyer, Dennis Burmeister, Jim Sackett, Carl Vogt, Dan Espeland, Erika Lotheringen, Alice Raddatz, Tom Koeritz, Marsha Miller, Marilyn Vogt, Ronald Schultz, Candace Doerfler, Mike Barfknecht, Cliff & Charlotte Dobie, Audrey Becker, Dick & Pat Eckmann, Pastor Fretham, Terry Bentele, Brandi Stohs, and Larye Anderson

† Our Shut-Ins: RoseMary Kasten, Carol Ritz, and June Mausling

† <u>Our Servicemen:</u> Mike Hintz, Lance Halverson, Josh Rusert, Duane Cox, Andrew Reed, and Cade Hotzler

CHURCH NEWS

*Confirmation questioning will be on Wednesday, April 23rd at 6:30 p.m. in the church . The congregation is invited to attend.

*Confirmation will be on May 4 with 3 Confirmands – Aaron Chase, Shelby Kitzerow, and Owen Wedel.

*Easter Lilies: St. Paul's Lutheran is again planning for bulk delivery of Easter Lilies for Easter Sunday. You can prearrange your request with Scott or Dawn Halverson. The cost is \$ 18.00. Please submit your payment along with whom the flower is in memory of to the church office as soon as possible. You're also welcome to bring your own lily but make sure Cindi has the information well in advance so she can compile the bulletin insert for Easter Sunday.

*Easter Breakfast: Youth Sponsored Easter Breakfast will be held immediately after the 7:30 a.m. service on April 20. Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit, Milk, Juice, Coffee. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please see the details on the desk in the narthex.

*Silent Auction Date Change – Mark Your Calendars!

Due to multiple silent auctions taking place in spring, PTL has decided to move our school's Silent Auction to Sunday, September 7, 2025. Funds raised from this event will go toward general school repairs. Please contact Ashley Freeman at (507) 399-9249 or Kaitlin Wiederhoeft at (507) 995-6022 if you're interested in donating to this event.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY
Worship Service9:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Adult Bible Study10:15 a.m.
MONDAY (Pastor's Day Off)
Trustees7:00 p.m.
Tuesday
Women's Bible Study10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Chapel10:00 a.m.
THURSDAY
Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion10:00 a.m.
Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion6:00 p.m.
No School
FRIDAY
Office Closed
Good Friday Service10: 00 a.m.
Tenebrae Service6:00 p.m.
SATURDAY
Easter Vigil @ Fieldon6:30 p.m.
SUNDAY
Easter Sunrise Service with Holy Communion7:30 a.m.
Easter Breakfast8:30 a.m.

LUTHERAN HOUR

April 20 (John 20:5-7)

"A Risen Christ and a Clean Room"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: <u>Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler</u>
The risen Christ has folded Death up and put it in its place.
Now Christ invites you to trust in Him and find place and purpose in His new creation.

MLHS NEWS

*The Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Knights4Life Group is putting together Personal Care Kits to be distributed to shelters in our community. They would appreciate donations of travel size toiletries or cash to purchase those items. They are collecting until April 15.

*Mother's Day Brunch at MLHS on Sunday, May 11 from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Menu – assorted Egg Bakes, Eleanor's Fruit salad, Donuts by Kiehl's Bakery, and Beverages. Cost is a Free Will Donation. Proceeds will support the 2025 Educational Trip to England and Scotland.

*Just a Normal Concert at MLHS featuring young musicians in Elementary Band and High School Band & Choir on Saturday, May 17th at 7:00 p.m. Admission is Free will Donation

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

Check the bulletin board for more information about these events.

*S.A.G.E.S. – Saints Alive, Growing, Ever Serving Program – May 5 & 6, 2025 at Country Inn & Suites, Mankato. Registration deadline is April 14th. Information on the desk in the narthex.

*St. John's Lutheran Church, Willow Creek, will be having a Soup and Sandwich Fundraiser to pay for a new furnace on Sunday, April 27^{th} from 10:30 AM -1:00 PM. The menu

includes: Chili, Hamburger Vegetable Soup, Broccoli Cheese Soup, Chicken Noodle Soup, and Vegetable Beef Soup. We will also be serving hot ham and cheese sandwiches and grilled cheese sandwiches, bars and a beverage. The cost is a free will donation. We will also be selling \$10 raffle tickets to win a hand crocheted afghan. All are invited to attend.

Faith, Hope, Love

And now abide Faith, Hope, and Love, these three; but the greatest of these is Love.

SPL School's Mission Statement

To work together with families and area congregations to provide a quality education in a Christian environment, leading students to lives of service.

Our Goals: Nurture faith, Celebrate learning,
Pursue excellence.

IMPORTANT SPL DATES

April 26 - Spelling Bee

THIS WEEK'S LUNCH MENU

Monday: Hamburger/bun, Cheese, French fries, Green

beans, Fruit cocktail

<u>Tuesday</u>: Corn dogs, Waffle fries, Carrots, Strawberry cup <u>Wednesday</u>: Sub sandwich, Sun chips, Lettuce salad,

Peaches

Thursday: No School Friday: No School

School Reminders:

*God's richest blessings to Brayden Becker who is being confirmed this Sunday at Willow Creek. God's Blessings Brayden.

*Please spread the word about our wonderful school. We presently have 43 enrolled for next year. We need more. If you have questions about a grade, ask to visit the classroom.

*Please remember that we are not in school on Thursday, Friday, and Monday for Easter break. Remember to worship with your family over. Easter weekend!

*Achievement tests are here. If you are interested in hearing how your child did, visit your child's teacher AFTER Easter.

*Tuesday, April 29 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. is Kindergarten and Preschool round-up. Spread the word around your neighborhoods about this exciting event. Questions, please talk to Mrs. Johnson or Mrs. Flohrs.

*School Musical: Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 8th at 6:30pm and plan to come to see the AMAZING and TALENTED students of St. Paul's Lutheran School perform the musical "Danny and the Shacks". It will be a night of many laughs and a lot of learning of the important message God has to share with each of us. You will not be disappointed!!

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995-6022 if you're interested in helping with or donating to this event.

Annual Last Day of School Softball Game - Mark Your Calendars!

Back by popular demand, we're excited to bring back our Annual Softball Game on the last day of school—right after 1/2-day dismissal! All parents, guardians, teachers, and students are welcome to attend!

PTL will generously be providing sack lunches for all students, and once everyone has eaten, the fun will begin on the field!

Friendly Reminder: All students must have designated supervision during the event. If a parent or guardian is unable to attend, please make arrangements in advance for someone to be responsible for your child(ren).

We appreciate your help in keeping everyone safe while we celebrate the end of the school year!

FROM THE CLASSROOM

<u>Preschool</u>: This week we learned about Xingu river rays, played with play dough, dotters, scissors, and hole punching. We also started learning their middle name and writing it upper and lower case. Kid quote of the week "welcome to my office."

Kindergarten: In our Secret Stories/Blends book we practiced the blend "bl" (blanket, blinker) & the "er" sound (under, flower) & the "ir" sound (bird, girl). How is the brushing chart going? We are almost halfway done. We planted flower seeds & we started a unit on the planets & space. As we reviewed all of the story posters we had up on our bulletin board, for the life of Jesus, we took them down, and we are replacing them with Holy Week posters. As we prepare for Easter we remember this is the whole purpose for Jesus being born on Christmas; to suffer & die for us & 3 days later to rise from the dead! Have a heart filled with love for Jesus kind of Easter:)

1st & 2nd: What a fantastic class! No Spelling test for the week of April14. Memory: Check your child's Homework Folder for the list. Spelling Bee: Saturday April 26: Our classroom spellers are Olivia and Henry! Congratulations! It was fun decorating our string Easter eggs! I hope that you enjoy it! Have a Blessed Easter!

<u>3rd & 4th</u>: We have a short week next week. Students will need to get their 30 minutes of IXL finished for the week by Sunday, 4/20. We will do our best to get most if not all finished during class time, so they don't forget. We are working hard to continue getting things finished. The weeks will fly by once we come back from Easter break. Remember that there is no school on Thursday 4/14, Friday 4/15, and Monday 4/21 for Easter break. Remember to worship with your family for Easter!

5th & 6th: We would like to thank Bruce Becker the composer of the Hymn "The Tree of Life" (LSB #561) for coming to talk to the 3rd-8th graders last Friday. Mr. Becker grew up in South Branch and attended St. John's Lutheran church there. This is where his love of music started. The students enjoyed meeting a composer and asking him questions.

The days of school are passing quickly. Continue to work hard and strive to continue to do your best work. Remember you still need 30 minutes of IXL each week and keep reading for AR points. We are also doing book reports this quarter!! I can't wait to see them and hear all the presentations. We are also working hard on the musical. Thanks for being such a GREAT class!! We are accomplishing a lot each day!!

7th & 8th: We keep plugging along with our different activities. We are in the middle of a major project on Route 66. It will be due on Wednesday. Thanks to Mrs. Kube who subbed for me this past Wednesday. I had to take my wife to a doctor's appointment in Rochester. We continue to work to find out who will be in the Spelling Bee on the 26th. The next Book Report will be due the week after Easter. Please be reading, and don't forget your IXL. Please keep up the good work; we only have thirty some odd days to go. A Blessed Easter and remember to worship with your family over this special time of the year.