



He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter ...

Isaiah 53:7

St.

Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, most holy God, we who come before you today are sinful, and unworthy of your love. We confess our sins before You, seeking Your grace in Christ Jesus for pardon and peace. Through the gospel we hear this morning create clean hearts within us, and renew in us steadfast spirits, that we may know the joy of Your salvation. Lead us to confess Your name before the world that sinners may know the path to repentance and life that is found in Your Son, our crucified Savior. It is in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.5 (238:3-5)

HYMNS: 140; 154; 170; 409:1

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 85:1-4, 7 NKJV)

Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness;
**According to the multitude of Your tender mercies,
Blot out my transgressions.**

²Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
And cleanse me from my sin.

³For I acknowledge my transgressions,
And my sin is always before me.

⁵Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
And in sin my mother conceived me.

⁷Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 53:4-9

"He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows."^(v.4) "He was wounded for our transgressions."^(v.5) "He was led as a lamb to the slaughter."^(v.7) "The Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all!"^(v.6) May our meditation instill within our hearts a fresh appreciation of the depth of Jesus' love for us, and the wonder of His grace!

THE PASSION HISTORY LESSON: "Trial before Pilate II"

Pilate marveled not only at the number of false accusations leveled against Jesus but Jesus' silence in facing all these accusations. Neither Pilate nor Herod found any fault in Jesus,

March 31, 2019

4th Sunday in Lent

but it was Barabbas the murderer who was set free, while Jesus was bound for punishment. And so “the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.” (Isaiah. 53:6).

THE SERMON: 1 John 3:16-18

Theme: He Laid Down His Life for Us.

I. His Sacrifice for Us

II. Our Sacrifice - Laying Down our Lives for the Brethren.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class are scheduled to follow the service.

MONDAY: Minnesota Pastor meeting at Grace in Fridley from 10:00 - 3:00.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism at 4:15. Soup and Sandwich Supper at 6:00. The fourth of our midweek Lenten meditations begins at 7:00 p.m. The theme of this year's meditations is "Mementos of His Passion." This week's memento: "*A Seamless Garment.*" Text: **John 19:23-24.**

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship 9:30. Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service. Sermon text: **1 John 1:5-10.** Theme: "*The Blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son.*" (Our Sunday Lenten series is based on the first epistle of John revealing the gospel truth of Jesus' Suffering and Death.)

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

April 18: Maundy Thursday meditation with Holy Communion at 7:00 p.

April 19: Good Friday meditation at 7:00 p.m.

April 21: Easter Festival worship with Holy Communion at 9:00 a.m.

April 28: **Quarterly voters' meeting** is scheduled for 12:30 p.m.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Andy Ball, Luke Berg, Randy Berg, Leon Hellickson

April Cleaning: Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: March 24 worship -18 Sunday school - 0 Bible class - 12 March 27 --12

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,252.00	Other offerings:
Offerings Received	\$1155.00	Missions
Needed for Year:	\$15,024.00	\$25.00
	0	ILC Student Aid.
Received for Year:	\$10,872.00	\$50.00
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Congregation Historian. One of the Ladies Aid offices that has gone unfilled for several years is that of Congregation Historian. This position involves documenting events at church: reception of new members, Christmas programs or church picnic, to keeping track of important dates and anniversaries. If there is someone who would be willing to take on the position please contact Ladies Aid chairperson, Deb Berg.

CLC NEWS: Pastor David Schaller, Redeemer Lutheran Church of Sister Lakes, MI has received the call to Prince of Peace Lutheran of Loveland, CO.

Retirement Gift: Professor Paul Schaller is retiring from Immanuel College at the end of the current academic year. CLC members are invited to contribute to a monetary gift which will be presented to Professor Schaller at Graduation (May 18). Please make your checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran College and indicate: "Prof. Schaller Retirement." Send your gift to: Immanuel Lutheran College, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

"DAILY REST" - **Subscribe Now:** The subscription sheet can be found on the mailbox table in the narthex. The cost for a one year subscription is \$15.00. Please pay St. Paul's. One payment will be submitted for the entire group. Subscriptions close on April 10! The Daily Rest devotional booklets will be sent bulk to

the church so any gift subscriptions would need to be mailed personally.

April 20th: from noon - 3:00 p.m. Open house reception for Arnie Ottjes' 90th birthday in the St. Paul's fellowship hall. See the invitation on the bulletin board.