



*There will be no more death or  
mourning or crying or pain.*

Revelation 21:4

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**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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PRESERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, most holy God, we who come before you today are sinful, and unworthy of your love. We confess our sins, seeking Your grace in Christ Jesus for pardon and peace. By Your Holy Spirit working 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 and the peace and assurance of Your presence. Empowered by Your Holy Spirit, lead us on the path of repentance and life that is found in Your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in His name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: (p. 22 Worship Supplement 2000)

HYMN 351: Love Divine, All Love Excelling

1 Love Divine, all love excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down,  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation; Enter ev'ry trembling heart!

2 Breathe, oh, breathe Thy loving Spirit Into ev'ry troubled breast;  
Let us all in Thee inherit, Let us find Thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.

3 Come, Almighty, to deliver; Let us all Thy life receive;  
Suddenly return and never, Nevermore, Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.

4 Finish then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be.  
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee,  
Changed from glory into glory, Till in heav'n we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God is light and Him is no darkness at all.

**C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Together let us pray.

**C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.**

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven! With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 9:24-28

For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, *which are* copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; <sup>25</sup> not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— <sup>26</sup> He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. <sup>27</sup> And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation. (NKJV)

**THE GOSPEL LESSON:** John 5:19-24

Then Jesus answered and said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. <sup>20</sup> For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. <sup>21</sup> For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to *them*, even so the Son gives life to whom He will. <sup>22</sup> For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, <sup>23</sup> that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

<sup>24</sup> “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life. (NKJV)

**THE APOSTLES CREED** (The Lutheran Hymnal p. 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**HYMN 604: Great God, What Do I See and Hear?**

1 Great God, what do I see and hear? The end of things created;  
The Judge of mankind doth appear On clouds of glory seated.  
The trumpet sounds; the graves restore  
The dead which they contained before: Prepare, my soul, to meet Him.

2 The dead in Christ shall first arise At that last trumpet’s sounding,  
Caught up to meet Him in the skies, With joy their Lord surrounding.  
No gloomy fears their souls dismay;  
His presence sheds eternal day On those prepared to meet Him.

3 But sinners, filled with guilty fears, Behold His wrath prevailing,  
For they shall rise and find their tears And sighs are unavailing;

The day of grace is past and gone;  
They trembling stand before His throne, All unprepared to meet Him.

4 O Christ, who diedst and yet dost live, To me impart Thy merit;  
My pardon seal, my sins forgive, And cleanse me by Thy Spirit.  
Beneath Thy cross I view the day  
When heav'n and earth shall pass away, And thus prepare to meet Thee.

THE SERMON: Malachi 4:1-2a

Theme: The Coming Day of the Lord

I. A Day of Consuming Fire

II. A Day of Eternal Healing

SERMON TEXT: Malachi 4:1-2a

“For behold, the day is coming,  
Burning like an oven,  
And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble.  
And the day which is coming shall burn them up,”  
Says the LORD of hosts,  
“That will leave them neither root nor branch.  
<sup>2</sup> But to you who fear My name  
The Sun of Righteousness shall arise  
With healing in His wings; (NKJV)

PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN 611: 1,4,5,7: The Day Is Surely Drawing Near**

1 The day is surely drawing near When God's Son, the Anointed,  
Shall with great majesty appear As Judge of all appointed.  
All mirth and laughter then shall cease  
When flames on flames will still increase, As Scripture truly teacheth.

4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord  
And sought but carnal pleasures,  
Who here despised His precious Word And loved their earthly treasures!  
With shame and trembling they will stand  
And at the Judge's stern command To Satan be delivered.

5 O Jesus, who my debt didst pay And for my sin wast smitten,  
Within the Book of Life, oh, may My name be also written!

I will not doubt; I trust in Thee,  
From Satan Thou hast made me free And from all condemnation.

7 O Jesus Christ, do not delay, But hasten our salvation;  
We often tremble on our way In fear and tribulation.  
Then hear us when we cry to Thee;  
Come, mighty Judge, and make us free From every evil! Amen.

### BENEDICTION

**C: Amen.**

### HYMN 52: Almighty Father, Bless the Word

1 Almighty Father, bless the Word  
Which thro' Thy grace we now have heard.  
Oh, may the precious seed take root,  
Spring up, and bear abundant fruit!

2 We praise Thee for the means of grace  
As homeward now our steps we trace.  
Grant, Lord, that we who worshiped here  
May all at last in heav'n appear.

### CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow after the service this morning. **Catechism class follows at 11:30 until 12:30.**

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and **Church Council** are scheduled to follow the service Catechism follows at 11:30-12:30. Also Sermon text: Hebrews 10:11-14

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21: MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY: Pastor Luke Willitz will serve as our guest speaker. A mission presentation and pot luck meal will follow after the service.

### FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25: Thanksgiving Worship at 9:30

WEDNESDAYS, DECEMBER 1, 8, 15: Midweek Advent Services. Soup and Sandwich Suppers begin serving at 6:00 p.m. Advent meditation begins at 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5: Church decorating/Christmas Fellowship follows the service. There will be Sunday school on that day but no Bible class. Pot luck meal and carol singing follow the decorating, and Sunday school.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 19: Sunday school Christmas program in our morning worship service at 9:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24: Christmas Eve service at **6:00 p.m.**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25: Christmas Festival Worship at 9:30 a.m.

### SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

### OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: October 31 worship – 15 Sunday school - 0 Bible Class - 11

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,285.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 725.00	
Needed for Year:	\$56,540.00	
Received for Year:	\$49,880.00	

November Church Cleaning - Barthels

November Lawn Mowing – Valerie Barthels

**FALL MISSION WEBINAR** The Committee of Domestic Fields (CDF), a subcommittee of the CLC Mission Board, is hosting a fall mission webinar on Saturday, November 13 at 3 pm Central Time. The webinar will stream live on Zoom and include speakers from five different CLC congregations. We invite both individuals and congregational groups to join, please register by emailing Pastor Mark Tiefel – marktiefel@hotmail.com. The webinar theme is “Mission Myths” and covers 10 topics across a variety of different evangelism scenarios. Find more details on the CDF website - <https://us.lutheranmissions.org/cdf/>