



He has appeared once for  
all at the end of the age  
**to remove sin by the  
sacrifice of himself.**

Hebrews 9:26, NRSV

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**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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PRESERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we come before You to praise your Holy name. We acknowledge our sin and unworthiness, and yet You have loved us with an everlasting love. You sent Your only begotten Son into the world to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. By the power of Your Holy Spirit grant us grace that we also may love one another as You have loved us, and thereby show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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

**HYMN 155: Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing**

1 Sweet the moments, rich in blessing, Which before the cross we spend.  
Life and health and peace possessing From the sinner's dying Friend.

2 Here we rest in wonder, viewing All our sins on Jesus laid;  
Here we see redemption flowing From the sacrifice He made.

3 Here we find the dawn of heaven While upon the cross we gaze,  
See our trespasses forgiven, And our songs of triumph raise.

4 Oh, that, near the cross abiding, We may to the Savior cleave,  
Naught with Him our hearts dividing, All for Him content to leave!

5 Lord, in loving contemplation Fix our hearts and eyes on Thee  
Till we taste Thy full salvation And Thine unveiled glory see.

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: Romans 5:6-11

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. <sup>10</sup> For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. <sup>11</sup> And not only *that*, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation. (NKJV)

#### THE PASSION HISTORY READING: Betrayer Revealed (p.172-173)

#### 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 369: All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall**

1 All mankind fell in Adam's fall,  
One common sin infects us all;  
From sire to son the bane descends,  
And over all the curse impends.

2 Thro' all man's pow'rs corruption creeps  
And him in dreadful bondage keeps;  
In guilt he draws his infant breath  
And reaps its fruits of woe and death.

3 From hearts depraved, to evil prone,  
Flow tho'ts and deeds of sin alone;  
God's image lost, the darkened soul  
Nor seeks nor finds its heav'nly goal.

4 But Christ, the second Adam, came  
To bear our sin and woe and shame,  
To be our Life, our Light, our Way,  
Our only Hope, our only Stay.

5 As by one man all mankind fell  
And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,  
So by one Man, who took our place,  
We all received the gift of grace.

6 We thank Thee, Christ; new life is ours,  
New light, new hope, new strength, new powers:  
May grace our every way attend  
Until we reach our journey's end!

### **THE SERMON: John 11:49-53**

Theme: "It is Expedient for Us that One Man Should Die for the People."

I. What Caiaphas Was Thinking.

II. How Caiaphas Proclaimed God's Truth.

SERMON TEXT: John 11:49-53

And one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said to them, “You know nothing at all, <sup>50</sup> nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and not that the whole nation should perish.” <sup>51</sup> Now this he did not say on his own *authority*; but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, <sup>52</sup> and not for that nation only, but also that He would gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad.

<sup>53</sup> Then, from that day on, they plotted to put Him to death. (NKJV)

PRAYER; THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN 380: Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

1 Thy works, not mine, O Christ, Speak gladness to this heart;  
They tell me all is done; They bid my fear depart.  
To whom save Thee, who canst alone For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

2 Thy wounds, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my bruised soul;  
Thy stripes, not mine, contain The balm that makes me whole.  
To whom save Thee, who canst alone For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

3 Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the awful load  
Of sins that none could bear But the incarnate God.  
To whom save Thee, who canst alone For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

4 Thy death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ransom due;  
Ten thousand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.  
To whom save Thee, who canst alone For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

5 Thy righteousness, O Christ, Alone can cover me:  
No righteousness avails Save that which is of Thee.  
To whom save Thee, who canst alone For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

BENEDICTION

**C: Amen.**

## **HYMN 173:1: Lord Jesus, We Give Thanks to Thee**

1 Lord Jesus, we give thanks to Thee  
That Thou hast died to set us free;  
Made righteous thro' Thy precious blood,  
We now are reconciled to God.

### CALENDAR

**TODAY:** Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service. Catechism class is scheduled for 11:30.

**WEDNESDAY:** Mid-week Lenten services. Supper begins serving at 6:00 p.m. Lenten meditation begins at 7:00 p.m. The theme of our midweek meditations this year is *Christ's Passion in Paul's Epistles*. Text: Romans 6:6-13. The theme of our second meditation is: The Old Man Is Crucified!

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Worship at 9:30. Sunday School and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service. Catechism class is scheduled for 11:30. Sermon text: Matthew 27:41-42. (This year we will also be having a Passion theme to our Sunday sermons. Theme: Veiled Truths from the Passion!)

### FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

**March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6, 14, 15:** Midweek Lenten meditations with the theme: **Christ's Passion in Paul's Epistles**. On Wednesdays we will have suppers at 6:00. All evening meditations begin at 7:00.

April 17: EASTER SUNDAY!

### SERVING TODAY

**Organist:** Denise Barthels

### **OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:**

Attendance: February 27 worship – 20 Sunday school – 4 Bible Class -7  
March 2, Ash Wednesday: 12

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,312.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$ 430.00	Prop. Imprv. Fund	\$25.00
Needed for Year:	\$11,808.00		
Received for Year:	\$13,406.13		

March Church Cleaning: T. Barthels