

Our Lenten Journey will be a series entitled "Words That Last Forever" which we will follow each Wednesday during Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday.

# **Ash Wednesday**

March 5, 2025 7:00PM, at St. Paul's (No Soup and Sandwich)

Lenten Midweek Worship—7PM at St. Paul's (Soup & Sandwich @6PM)

Sunday, March 16th Worship will be at Bethel @ 11:15, with Pastor Terri Driver-Bishop presiding.

#### **Holy Week**

Wednesday - A blended Choir Service entitled "Not My Will, But Yours" @ Bethel 7:00PM (Soup and sandwich at 6pm)

Maundy Thursday - 7:00PM at ST. Paul's

Good Friday - Noon at Bethel and 7:00PM at St. Paul's

Easter Sunday - 9AM Worship at St. Paul's, 11:15AM Worship at Bethel

# **SERVING TODAY**

Minister	Pastor Phil Beck
Lector	Marie Purswell
Organist	Jeff Gentry
Ushers	Bill & Barb Cartwright
Acolyte	Camden Plog & Annabelle Bush

#### Staff

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# Last Sunday after Epiphany March 2, 2025 Transfiguration of Our Lord

# ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service—9:00 a.m.



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Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all.

# **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President—Sheila Kahler Vice-President—Lauren McCloskey Treasurer—Patty Rimel Secretary—Kate Stottlemyer

#### \*Stand as you are able

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

This is the time we QUIET our HEARTS for WORSHIP.

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#### **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

# Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Gracious God,
- C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves in to the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
- C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN......ELW 838

V. 1-4

Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904

#### \*GREETING

- P: he grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

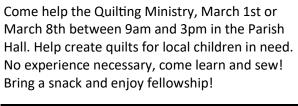


The Year Round Stocking Stuffer Project!



In March we need floss sticks, dental floss, bath puffs, 3 in 1 body wash for kids!

Feel free to give monetary donations to Kay Wachter as well!





Service @ 7:00PM, at St. Paul's (No Soup and Sandwich)



Join us Friday's during Lent @5:00pm for fellowship and conversation.

Starting March 7th, 5pm @ Glory Days on 7th Street in Frederick.

\*\*We will **not** meet on March 14th but will resume for the remainder of Lent on March 21st. Details on future locations to follow.





Notice Regarding Upcoming Railroad Work on Pennsylvania Ave.: Walkersville Railroad is scheduled to carry out railway repairs from *March 10 to March 17, 2025*. If you come to worship via Biggs Ford Rd, remember to take an alternate route on March 10th for Mid Week Lenten Services. Worship will be at Bethel March 16th so this will not affect us for Sunday worship.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\*

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. Video link https://youtu.be/TM0UxuX4CRA, February 16, 2025 Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXlow1I7 -Q



# Join us after worship today for some coffee and fellowship

The Red Cross and St. Paul's continue to partner in 2025 to bring a blood drive into our community. This will be our first drive of the year! March 21st! Please consider making your appointment today, your donation is very much needed!

See the Weekly email for the link to sign up or call the Parish Office for assistance.





Donations for *Glade Valley* Food Bank are always accepted!

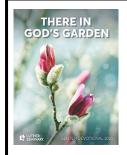
#### **UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:**

Cereal, Hamburger Helper, Macaroni and Cheese, Canned Fruit and Peanut butter

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall, or you can put them in the basket by the side door and we will get them to the food bank for you!



ALL ARE WELCOME **Bring Family and Friends** Tuesday, Mar. 4th & Saturday, Mar. 15th 5:00PM to 7:00PM **Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church** 101 S Main St., Woodsboro, MD 21798 Ask Roxanne for more details!



**Luther Seminary invites** you to use the 2025 Lenten devotional. "There in God's Garden" for personal use throughout the Lenten season. Go to:

https://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/ lenten-devotional/ to download and enjoy the daily devotionals during the Lenten Season.

# \*KYRIE (p. 147)

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 99

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king; let the people tremble. The LORD is enthroned upon the

cherubim; let the earth shake.

<sup>2</sup> The LORD, great in Zion,

is high above all peoples.

<sup>3</sup>Let them confess God's name, which is great <sup>7</sup> you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; and awesome:

God is the Holy One.

<sup>4</sup> O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;

> you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

<sup>5</sup> Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool;

God is the Holy One.

<sup>6</sup> Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your name, O LORD,

> they called upon you, and you answered them.

they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

<sup>8</sup>O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, vet punished them for their evil deeds.

<sup>9</sup> Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill;

for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

# SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 151)

GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon......Pastor Phil Beck

Silence for Reflection

V.1-3

 $\hbox{@}$  1987 Make Way Music, admin. Music Services in the Western Hemisphere

P: We affirm our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's Only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### \*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: ... God of grace, C: Hear our prayer.

#### \*The Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING Please place your gift in the offering plate, mail to the church office or consider online giving.

# **OFFERINGS**

We are so blessed and grateful for your continued offerings during these unprecedented times. It is only with your support we can maintain the everyday activities of the church and our work in the community. Please consider mailing your offering to the church or if you have access to the website, there is an online giving option as well. <a href="https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/">https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/</a>

Ihis	Week	at St	Paul's

Carrady, March 211a	
Worship (Livestream)	9:00am
Last Sunday after Epiphany	
Transfiguration of Our Lord	
Ministry Sunday	10:00am
Faith Formation	10:00am
Cub Scout Committee Mtg	7:00pm

# Monday, March 3rd

Sunday, March 2nd

FEC	8am-5pm
Sub Scouts	6:00pm

# Tuesday, March 4th

FHS	10am-3pm
Community Dinner	5:00pm
Calendar Meeting	6:00pm
Executive Council	7:00pm

# Wednesday, March 5th

Ash Wednesday 7:00pm

# Thursday, March 6th

Frederick Children's Choir	9:30am
FHS	10am-3pm
Cub Scouts Parish Hall	5:30pm
Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm
(w/Bethel@7:30)	•

# Friday, March 7th

Lager for Lent 5:00pm

# Sunday, March 9th

Worship (Livestream)	9:00am
Frist Sunday of Lent	
Faith Formation	10:00am

# **LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:**

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,110.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$350.00

# Electronic/Mail-ins Income February 23, 2025

Weekly Contributions: \$ 351.60 Property Loan Fund: \$ 20.00

Total: \$ 371.60

## In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$1,000.00 Property Loan Fund: \$410.00

Total: \$1,410.00

# ATTENDANCE: February 23, 2025

In person: 38 Virtual: 20

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Joe Collins, Cousin of Joann Valainis Mark Holloway, Husband of Kate Stottlemyer Roger Stottlemyer, Uncle of Kate Stottlemyer Sue Snyder, Member Bert Fiske, Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider Joseph Matthew Moschella, Friend of the Plowmans Billy Welty, Friend of Betsy Galliher Keith Harris, friend of the Plowman Family Jack Lotwick, Friend of Robb and Dianne Port Bob Schmidt, Brother of Dottie Titmas Cindi, John and Deirdre MacKenzie, friends of St. Paul's Parker Bazarewski, Extended family of Ed Chaney Joanne and Dudley Cate, Family friends of Ed Chaney Patty Plitt, Friend of Ed Chaney Russ Mildenstein, Member Larry Beard, Friend of St. Paul's Tom Waters, Member Regina Baker, Member **Heather Anderson**. *Member* 

# PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

+Admiral Lisa Franchetti, U.S. Navy,
niece to Linwood Snider

+Zachary Williams, U.S. Airforce,
grandson of Jim & Dottie Titmas

+U.S. Navy Corpsman Matthew Kasik,
grandson of Sam Purswell

+Dan Beck, Captain., U.S. Army, son of
Pastor Phil & Susan Beck

+Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law of
Marcia & Raj Gupta

+Eric Fong Sam, U.S. Army, friend of
Mary Ann Ferguson

+Leo Tanja, U.S. Airforce, nephew of
Mary Ann Ferguson's sister in
law

Do you or someone you know have need for prayer? If so, please know that we have a prayer team at St. Paul's that is ready to help. Simply contact Merle Anderson at 301-845-2317. All requests are confidential.

\*\*Please remember all the names on our prayer list, and especially those that are **bold**. They have specific current need for Christian love and support.

### \*OFFERTORY HYMN LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL (ELW 184)

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#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

# **GREAT THANKSGIVING, MEAL (sung, p. 152)**

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### \*THE PREFACE:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (p. 153)

### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE CONT'D

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER:

- P: Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught...
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION:**

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

# **COMMUNION HYMN (p.154)**

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- P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray,

God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

#### **SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### **BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

\*DISMISSAL

GO IN PEACE, CHRIST IS WITH YOU.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

#### Announcement regarding livestreaming of the worship services:

St. Paul's intends to continue offering online worship services to share the Gospel through Facebook and Youtube. With the inclusion of in-person attendance during the service, we need to inform you that your presence may be captured in the recording and broadcast through St. Paul's social media platforms. Your comfort and privacy are of utmost importance, if you prefer not to have your image broadcast please contact the office by phone or email or inform the usher as you arrive. The office will keep a list of those wishing NOT to appear in the recording and convey that information to the Media and Technology Ministry. From sundaysandseasons.com | Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved