

From the Wilderness
To the Promised Land
Easter Sunday
April 20, 2025



# St. Paul Lutheran Church Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod Columbus, Indiana

# Welcome to St. Paul!

We are glad that you have come to God's house to be fed and strengthened by His holy Word. The order of service for today is printed on the **insert** in this bulletin. Guests, we extend a special welcome to you this morning. We are privileged to have you as our guest today and encourage you to worship with us again soon.

The Family Quiet Room and Restroom are located outside the doors of the sanctuary and to the left. In the Family Quiet Room, you can hear and see the service. Assisted hearing devices are available for the service. Please contact an usher.

Do you need prayer support? Please call Bonnie England at **812-447-7895** to activate our **Prayer Chain.** Your fellow church members will pray for you.

Our Communion Practice: We invite and encourage those who have been instructed, confirmed, and confess the faith of this congregation and other congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to receive the Sacrament. Communicants at this altar acknowledge their sins, believe that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, and desire the Spirit's help to turn from their sins.

Those who are not communing are invited to come forward and receive a blessing by placing their arms across their chest.

If you have questions regarding our Communion teaching and practice, please speak to a pastor.

**Communion Preparation:** To prepare for the Lord's Supper, you may wish to pray the prayer on the inside cover of the hymnal or review the Christian Questions and Answers on pages 329-330.

## **Today's Christian Education Opportunities**

Christian Education classes do not meet today.

Please join us for the Easter breakfast.

All classes resume next Sunday.

## **Serving Today**

Organist: Kantor Dan Mau Trumpeter: Caleb Abshire

7 AM Acolyte: Jaclyn Dettmer 7 AM Crucifer: Isabel Burbrink 9 AM Acolyte: Kinze Fischer

9 AM Crucifer: Madelynn Dougherty

10:45 AM Acolyte: Jesse Wofford 10:45 AM Crucifer: Providence Wofford

## **Church Calendar**

Pastor Patterson on Vacation Tomorrow-Saturday

Today **Easter Sunday** 

Children Process with Alleluia Banners
7:00 AM Festival Communion Service
7:30-9:45 AM Easter Breakfast Served
9:00 AM Festival Communion Service
9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM
10:45 AM Festival Communion Service

English and Spanish
7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

Monday 9:30 AM Homeschool Religion Class

10:00 AM Small Group Handbells

5:30 PM Girl Scouts

Tuesday 5:30-9:30 PM Church Reserved

Wednesday 8:20 AM Little Doves and Kindergarten

Chapel

9:00 AM Bible Study

10:15 AM Matins Service

6:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Sr. Handbells 7:00 PM Sr. Choir

Thursday 8:20 AM Little Lambs Chapel

1:30 PM Hickory Creek Visit

Friday-Saturday LWML Spring Retreat—Brown County

Friday 7:00 PM Organ Concert Next Sunday **Confirmation Sunday** 

8:00 AM Divine Service

9:10 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School

Confession of Faith Presentations 9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM

10:45 AM Confirmation and First Communion Service

Noon-5 PM Church Reserved

7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST'S DEATH AND RESURRECTION... is ViviAnne Eleanor Denny, daughter of Jasmine Denny, at the 10:45 AM service this morning. Godparents are Brent and Hilary Laidig and Miranda Voils. May God bless and keep ViviAnne in the one truth faith all her days.

# Easter Festival Service

**As We Gather...** In the Wilderness was the theme of our Lenten sermon series, as we journeyed with the Israelites through the wilderness on the way to the Promised Land. Job's experience was a barren wilderness—the tragic death of his children, loss of possessions, intense physical struggles. But in the depths of his sorrows, Job confesses, "I know that my Redeemer lives!" On this Resurrection Sunday, we make Job's confession of faith our own. As we struggle in the wilderness of this world, we are confident that since Jesus lives, He will sustain us through the wilderness to the eternal Promised Land.

**Prelude** 

7 and 9 AM Services: Sr. Handbells: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today—P. Hurlbutt

Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain—J. Kerr 10:45 AM Service: Praeludium in C—V. Lübeck

Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Record of Fellowship

Ringing of the Bell

#### **Invocation and Opening Verses**

Please stand and face the processional cross

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- G He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P Alleluia! Christ has risen, as He said. He has risen from the dead. Alleluia!
- **©** Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His love endures forever.
- P The stone that the builders rejected has become the capstone.
- This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!
- P Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."
- **G** Because He lives, we will live also!
- P Christ has indeed been raised from the dead.
- © Death has been swallowed up in victory!
- **G** 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 Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**Processional Hymn** with children's Alleluia Banner Procession

Hymn 490

After "burying" our Alleluias during Lent, we raise our Alleluias in praise to our risen Savior.

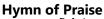
#### **Confession of Sins**

- P Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.

  Amen.
- P The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.
- Amen.

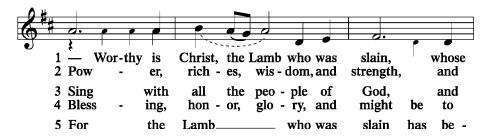
#### Kyrie

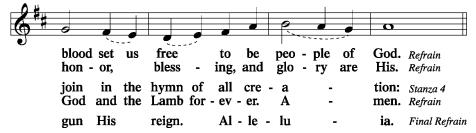
- **P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.















## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

© Amen. please be seated

### **Old Testament Reading**

Job 19:23-27

[Job declares:] Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!"

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **Epistle Reading**

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

[Paul writes:] Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."

"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Procession**

Please stand and face the processional cross as it moves to the center of the congregation for the Gospel reading.

The reading of the Gospel from the midst of the congregation serves as a visible reminder that on Easter night

Christ appeared and stood in the midst of His disciples.

7 AM Service Hymn 488

9 and 10:45 AM Services

Christ the Lord Is Risen Again—P. Stopford

Christ the Lord is risen again, Christ has broken every chain.

Hark, angelic voices cry, Singing evermore on high, Alleluia!

He who gave for us His life, who for us endured the strife,

Is our Paschal Lamb today; We too sing for joy, and say, Alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss Comfortless upon the cross, Lives in glory now on high, Pleads for us, and hears our cry.

He who slumbered in the grave Is exalted now to save;

Now through Christendom it rings That the Lamb is King of kings. Alleluia!

Easter Gospel John 20:1-18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

## **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him." So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of

them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that He must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to Him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, to My God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that He had said these things to her.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

#### Hymn of the Day

please remain standing (Hymn 461 stanzas 1-2)

I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.

He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save; He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.

#### **Little Sermon**

## Hymn of the Day

(Hymn 461 stanzas 3-5)

He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above; He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.

He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye; He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.

#### Sermon

From the Wilderness to the Promised Land

Job 19:23-27

Sermon Notes are on page 7

## Hymn of the Day

(Hymn 461 stanzas 6-8)

He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives my Prophet, Priest, and King.

He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

#### Nicene Creed 7 and 9 AM Services

please stand

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

#### **Prayer of the Church**

After each petition of the prayers, the following is said:

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

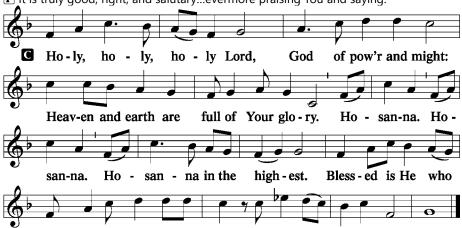
Offering Hymn 469

#### Service of the Sacrament

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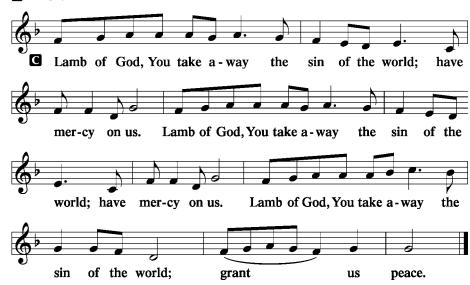
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na



in the high - est.

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven...
- P Our Lord Jesus Christ...
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



please be seated

#### Distribution

Hymns: 463, 465 stanzas 1-3, 467, 458, 464

Visitors—Please read the Communion statement on the inside front cover of the bulletin. Thank you.

**Post-Communion Canticle** 

please stand



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.





He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



#### **Post-Communion Collect and Benediction**

- **P** Let us pray...one God, now and forever.
- G Amen.
- P The Lord bless you and keep you...give you peace.
- C Amen.

Prayer for the Meal 7 AM Service

**Recessional Hymn** 

Hymn 465 stanza 4

**Postlude** 

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today—R. Powell

# From the Wilderness to the Promised Land

The wilderness is a place of temptation and trial, suffering and sorrow, doubt and sin.

| What did the Israelites experience in the wilderness? |        |
|---|--------|
| What did Job experience in the wilderness?            |        |
| What is your experience in the wilderness?            |        |
| Job makes the bold confession of faith: I k that my R | lives! |
| Your Redeemer lives t from the g                      |        |
| Your Redeemer lives e to s                            |        |
| Your Redeemer lives to b you with His I               |        |
| Your Redeemer lives to calm your th                   |        |
| Your Redeemer lives to hear your p                    |        |
| Your Redeemer lives to wipe away your t               |        |
| Your Redeemer lives your m to prepare.                |        |

**LIVING THE SERMON...** The wilderness of this world is often difficult. Like Job, in the midst of the wilderness, confess what you know to be sure and certain: Jesus, your Redeemer lives! Seek the forgiveness, peace, strength, and comfort your Redeemer gives as He leads you through the wilderness of the Promised Land.

**PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH...** Rejoice that your Redeemer lives, and because He lives, you will live also. Pray that you would always live in the confidence and certainty of Christ's resurrection. Pray that you would turn to your living Redeemer in every trial and sorrow to receive His help, comfort, and peace.

**MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK...** To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Revelation 1:5b-6

Next Sunday's Readings Acts 5:12-20; Revelation 1:4-18; John 20:19-31

## **Easter Lilies**

The flowers on the altar shelf are given by Tri-W

Marvin and Joyce Boggs Jim and Kathy Brock Bob and Karen Burbrink Ray and Sharon Cline Steve and Cathy Potter
Colin and Linda Scheidt
Carolyn Schuette
Chad and Debbie Sims and family
Skip and Kris Taylor

Joe and Ellen Weaver Josh Weichman Phillip and Connie Weichman Paul and Lisa Wendel

# In Memory of...

Dale Albert Arnholt from Marianne Arnholt and family Ken Bense from Julia Bense

Kay Newton and Jim Baute from Jeff and Mary Booher Randy Dettmer and Chris Hiatt from the Dettmer Family

Doug Feller from Paul, Sarah, Emma and Lily Gibson

Myron Glick from Marybeth Glick

Wilbur and Lorena Hoeltke from Lynn and Beverly Hoeltke

Jim Wint and Kathy Wint Hoover from Willie Hoover

Diane Jackson and Ken Miller from Tom Jackson

Bryan Shane Sutton from Danny and Sandy Johnson

Nancy Maslowski and Jason Maslowski from the Kalli Family

Mike Koester from Marilyn Koester, Jason, Shannon, Reid and Ridge Koester, John and Melissa Weiler
Jill Manley from Greg Manley

Clive and Helen Pankow, Homer and Fern and Mike Newton and Kay and Jim Newton from Susan Newton Max Nolting from Catherine Nolting

Don Nolting from Lucy Nolting and family

Larry Nunn from Mary Ann Nunn, Lisa, Jason, Emma and William DeBord

Jean Heller from Pastor and Tammy Patterson

Ben Pence from David and Melissa Pevlor and family and Evelyn Pence

Our grandparents and former members, Elmer and Clara Schlehuser Zurbrugg and Mildred Armuth Scheidt Perry from Bruce and Natalie Pollert

Joe and Ann Kinderman and Mrs. Rose Olson from Jim and Pam Roth

Walter and Wilma Sasse, Charles and Etta Faye Forster and Hans Gunther and Edith Lichte from John and Donna Sasse

My parents, William and Vera Peglow and my husband, Gilbert Schultz from Gloria Schultz Don and Harriett Scheidt, Keith and Beulah Thompson, Bradley M Thompson and Sqt Jonathon M Hunter from Eric and Linda Scheidt

George and Joanne Gordon and Virgil and Bettie Scheidt from Warren and Molly Scheidt Our parents from Dan and Taffy Schroer

H Gene Strietelmeier from Don Strietelmeier, Scott, Renee and Jacob Strietelmeier, Suzie Strietelmeier, and Paul and Sara Nash

Gene Strietelmeier and Bob and Bonnie Risk from Scott, Renee and Jacob Strietelmeier Vern Sullivan from Judy Sullivan

John Tellman from Marie and Jan Tellman

Harold and Lois Voelz and Earl and Erika Miller and John Gottfried from Steve and Jan Voelz Jim and Jean Weaver and Charles and Velma Brock from Joe and Ellen Weaver and Wendy Johnson Jim Wint and Kathy Wint Hoover from their children and grandchildren

# In Thanksgiving for...

The gift of our children, Adam and Sarah, from Brian and Jackie Arnholt The gift of our community and church family support during our time of need from Brian and Jackie Arnholt, Adam and Sarah My family from Julia Bense

Our children and grandchildren and the many blessings God has given us from Mike and Mary Bridges Family from Jim and Nora Cleary

> Our family from Dave and Vicki Howarth Grandma and Grandpa Joe from Maddie, Andrew and Lauren

Amy Cockburn from the Kalli Family

Our children Reid and Ridge Koester from Jason and Shannon Koester Family from Stan and Cathy Nolting

Our church family from Bruce and Natalie Pollert

Family and Friends from Janice and Tim Scheidt

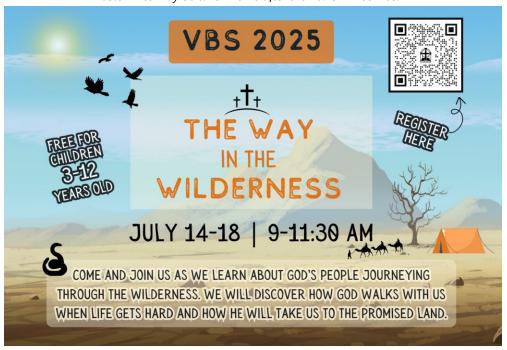
Our family from Don and Debbie Schroer

Our congregation and the beauty of our sanctuary from Alex R Schuette Our children and their spouses and grandchildren from Doug and Wendy Wiederhoeft Granddaughter Vera from Mark and Pam Wint All of God's Blessings from Henry and Lois Wischmeier

## In Honor of...

Our Risen Lord from the Smith Family Our grandson Adam Arnholt's confirmation from Mike and Wilma Yeley

A special thanks to all who donated lilies to beautify our church. Easter lilies may be taken home after the 10:45 AM service.



# Extending Christ's Love Update

#### Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

What a joy to gather together as a church family to celebrate our Lord's resurrection from the dead! Because our Redeemer lives, we have strength for each day and a sure and certain hope for all eternity.

The Gospel message of Christ crucified and risen is what we need and what everyone needs. What a joy this Holy Week to share this message with so many people!



Last Sunday, we raised our hosannas of praise as the children carried in palm branches. During Sunday School, the fellowship room was full as our eleven confirmands offered their Confession of Faith. After worship, the joy and excitement of the children was contagious at the Easter egg hunt.

On Good Friday, our fellowship room was overflowing with children and families learning and growing together during our Together as Family time.

This morning, our fellowship room is again filled to capacity as we fellowship together as a church family enjoying Easter breakfast.

It has been a wonderful Holy Week, but all these events remind us of our need for additional space for mission and ministry. Because of the Easter breakfast, the chapel area for our Spanish service has been moved to the Conference Room today, a tight fit for worship as attendance at our Spanish services continues to increase.

Our Christian Education Center will enable us to extend the Gospel message of Christ crucified and risen to even more people! The Great Hall in the Christian Education Center will be a hub of mission and ministry. Larger than our current fellowship room, it will offer ample seating for the Easter breakfast and other large congregational events. It will have a dedicated chapel area for our Spanish worship services, which will also serve as the area where early childhood ministry students gather for Jesus Time and music during the week. In addition, the Christian Education Center will allow our early childhood ministry and Sunday School more space to grow and serve even more people with the saving Gospel of Christ!

Thanks for your prayers and generous support to reach more people with Christ's love through this endeavor. Have a blessed Easter!

# Youth Events

#### KfC (Kids for Christ—fifth graders and younger)

**Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>:** Join us from noon-1:15 PM for lunch, devotions, fellowship, and fun as we celebrate the end of the school year!

### SPY (high schoolers) and C4Life (sixth-eighth grade)

**Sundays, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>:** Youth in grades 7-12 will meet together to watch and discuss the *Luther* movie during the Sunday School hour.

**Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>:** Youth and their parents will enjoy pizza after second service and then make the sauce for our walking tacos at the county fair. Pick-up time is 2 PM. From 2-3 PM, there will be a meeting and Bible study for youth and chaperones attending the National Youth Gathering.

#### **Youth and Youth Families**

**Today, April 20**<sup>th</sup>: Youth and their families are serving the Easter breakfast. *Thanks to everyone who attended today to support our youth ministry.* 

**Next Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>:** Youth families are encouraged to take home a 10-pound tube of ground beef, brown it, and return it on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> for sauce making day.

Friends are always welcome. If you have any questions, please contact a youth counselor or Pastor Bauman.



# St. Paul Concerts

FEATURING

ORGAN & BAYAN CONCERT DR. MARKO PETRICIC, BALL STATE UNIVERSITY ORGANIST FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 2025, 7:00 PM



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH &

6045 E. STATE ST, COLUMBUS, IN YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND. ADMISSION IS FREE

IN OUR PRAYERS... Sick and Recovering: Warren Scheidt, James Neawedde, Callan Jones, Gloria Schultz, Amy Yeley, Dennis Peters, Pastor Stache, Ray Cline, Sandy Lagneau, Karen Hendershot, Phyllis Fox, Nancy Lipka, Lynn Hoeltke, Bob Runge, Jill Scheidt, Pam Jenkins, Marilyn Gifford (Hinds' firend), Joan McDaniel (Sarah Gibson's grandmother), Valerie Bernunzio (Kruger's niece), Bonnie Bayly (Kruger's friend), Lisa McGaha (Don and Debbie Schroer's friend), Austyn Gordon (Gonsior's nephew), Jean Joyner (Nancy Dyer's sister), Candice Rominger (Clearys' friend), Amy Coombs (Darlene Bower's friend), Judy Parker (Gayla Alesandro's friend), Angela Vennemann (Elizabeth Tucker/Daniel Wint's cousin), Margaret Osman (Nancy Dyer's sister), Paul Schultz (Gloria's son; Sandy Banister's brother); Edward Arnold (Amanda Kruger Arnold's brother-inlaw), Mike Alesandro (Gayla's husband), Cassie Murray (Jason and Laurie Schroer's friend), Tiffany Wilson (Karen Hendershot's cousin), Connie Ball (Jan Voelz's friend), Moe Humphrey (Ray and Pat Hall's friend) Ozzy Hentges (Kallis' friend), Kristina Hargitt (Kim Chandler's friend), Amy Cockburn (South Decatur principal), Dale Christophel (Ray and Pat Hall's friend), Ed Vogel (Eddie Vogel's father), Annie Walton (Holly Wischmeier's coworker's daughter), William Leitshuh (Clearys' friend), Naomi Gillespie (Haaks' great-niece); Active Military: Garrett McGaha, Noah Hoeltke, Evan Rickus, Shane McGowen (Sally Haak's nephew), Michael Mullins (Sperrys' friend), Sam Studler (Kallis' friend), Ty Chamberlain (Taffy Schroer's relative)

#### IN THE GATHERING SPACE...

- + May Newsletter
- + New edition of Lutheran Women's Quarterly

**TODAY'S RADIO MINISTRY...** is sponsored by Eric and Linda Scheidt in honor of the baptismal birthdays of Bailey England and Joshua Beck.

**EASTER BREAKFAST...** The Easter breakfast is served by youth families **this morning** from 7:30-9:45 AM. The menu includes sausage and ham casseroles (gluten free/dairy free options available), biscuits and gravy, pastries, fruit, and drinks. The freewill offering benefits our youth ministry.

PASTOR PATTERSON ON VACATION... Pastor Patterson is on vacation tomorrow-this Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> as his and Tammy's son Seth will be married

to Julia Graves on Saturday. If you need pastoral care this week, please contact Pastor Bauman or Pastor Fickenscher.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY RESUMES...** You are invited to join us for Bible study every Wednesday at 6 PM beginning on **Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>** as we continue our study of the Epistle to the Hebrews.

**ECM EASTER CHAPELS...** Please join our early childhood ministry students and families as they celebrate our Lord's resurrection. The Doves and Kindergarten classes will worship on **Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>** and the Lambs classes will worship on **Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.** Both chapels begin at 8:20 AM.

#### ORGAN RECITAL AND BAYAN DEMONSTRATION...

You and your friends are invited to an Organ Concert and Bayan Demonstration **this Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** at 7 PM featuring Dr. Marko Petricic of Ball State University as organist.

The bayan, invented in Russia in 1870, is similar to the accordion. Instead of the piano-like keys for the right hand, there are five rows of buttons. The left hand plays 120 buttons.

Please plan to attend this unique concert.

**BASKET BINGO...** White Creek Lutheran School Bingo Night is **this Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.** Tickets for this FUN (adults only) event are \$25 each and can be purchased online at www.whitecreek.org/page/bingo or by calling the school office at 812-342-6832. Doors open at 5 PM and play begins at 6 PM. Proceeds benefit the Middle School trip to Washington, DC! Please see the flyer in the gathering space for more details.

INDIANA DISTRICT SPRING RETREAT... is this Friday-Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. We invite you to participate in two in-gatherings for retreat: Clarity in Columbus and Lutheran Child and Family Services in Indianapolis. Clarity requests baby wipes, diapers, butt paste, baby toiletries (shampoo, baby wash, lotion), and 2T to 4T new and gently used outfits. The district will collect monetary donations for LCFS. A donation bin is near the LWML bulletin board for Clarity, and monetary donations can be given to Linda Scheidt. Thanks for your support.

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY...** is **next Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.** During the Sunday School hour, our confirmands will give their Confession of Faith Presentations. At the 10:45 AM service, they will be confirmed and receive their first Communion. Give thanks to God for our confirmands and pray that they would always remain faithful to the Lord.

**TACO SAUCE MAKING...** Volunteers are needed to take home ground beef **next Sunday**, **April 27<sup>th</sup>**, brown the hamburger, then return it on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> so youth can make the sauce. Please consider serving in this way and supporting our youth ministry!

**CAMP LAKEVIEW WORK WEEKEND...** Join Camp Lakeview on **Friday-Sunday, May 2-4** for their Spring Work Weekend. Help get camp ready for the summer. There are projects for all ages and ability levels. Serve during the day and enjoy fellowship time in the evenings. This weekend is FREE with meals and lodging provided and if you can't make it for the entire time, you are welcome to join for a day! This is a great option for families who want to spend time serving together, families that are new to camp to check things out before summer, or for couples or retired adults. To sign up go to lakeview.camp/workweekend.

**LWML ZONE RALLY...** The LWML Columbus Zone Spring Rally is **Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Franklin. Registration begins at 8:30 AM with the rally beginning at 9 AM. Ladies of St. Paul will be carpooling to the event, so let Sariina Kalli know if you would like to carpool.

**ECM FOURTH ANNUAL CARNIVAL...** The fourth annual Early Childhood Ministry CARnival is **Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 2-4 PM. This year's CARnival will have a Hawaiian theme. Join us for an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship.

The ECM board is seeking volunteers to host a booth at the event. Booths may include a fun activity or game; prizes will be provided. Please contact Andrea Cotton to sign up for a booth at 812-344-4580 or amorris1525@gmail.com.

**Cake Walk:** Tri-W will sponsor a cake walk at the CARNival. Please consider donating a cake for the cake walk. All cakes should be labeled with the name of the cake and list any allergens such as gluten, nuts, dairy, etc. Please put the cake on or in a disposable

container. The cakes should be delivered to the church conference room by 1 PM on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact Mary Shaffer at 812-350-3195, if you are willing to donate a cake. Also let Mary know if you need to drop your dessert off earlier.

**MOMS IN THE WORD...** Meets one more time before school ends, on **Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** at 10 AM in the Conference Room. Join us for fellowship and a children's devotion.

**EUCHRE AND GAME NIGHT...** is **Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 6 PM. Remember, this is open to congregation members and friends of all ages, and it is not limited to just the game of euchre. Other card games and board games are available, and there is never a shortage of good food and fun fellowship. The free-will offering will support the in-gatherings for the national LWML convention in June (Details TBD).

**RUMMAGE SALE...** Our Rummage Sale to benefit Extending Christ's Love is **June 6-7**, **and your help is needed!** Please continue to gather items for the sale. Larger items can be stored in the chapel. Donations can be brought to church May 18-June 3. Volunteers are needed to set up for the Rummage Sale on June 4-5, and to serve during the sale on June 6-7. Please sign up in the gathering space. If you have questions, contact Phil Burbrink at 812-344-9946.

#### MAY EVENTS—MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

- Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup>—ECM Field Day at Camp Lakeview;
   All classes meet at Camp; Church office closed
- Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>—2-4 PM ECM CARnival
- Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>—Noon-2 PM SPY and C4Life Sauce Making Day; 2-3 National Youth Gathering Participant Meeting and Bible Study
- Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>—10 AM Moms in the Word
- Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>—Last Day of School for Little Lambs; 8:20 AM Closing Chapel
- Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>—Last Day of School for Little Doves;
   8:20 AM Closing Chapel
- Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>—6 PM Euchre and Game Night
- Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>—Last Day for Kindergarten; 6:30 PM Closing Chapel and Reception
- Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>—Recognition Sunday: Recognition of High School and College Graduates during worship; Recognition of Sunday School Teachers and New Members at the beginning of Sunday School

- Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>—Noon-1:15 PM KfC Event
- Sunday, May 25th—Summer Sunday School Begins

**ECM REGISTRATION...** Please continue to promote our fully-accredited early childhood ministry. Currently, there are eight openings in kindergarten, one opening in Little Doves (4-year olds) and five openings in Little Lambs (3-year olds). Flyers are available in the gathering space and registration information is available on the church website. Encourage families to contact Director Jen Probst with questions or to schedule a school tour. Kindergarten tuition is free through the School Choice program and financial assistance is available for preschool families.

**GREETERS NEEDED...** Greeters welcome members and visitors to our worship services. Greeters typically serve at either the 8 or 10:45 AM service for one month. If you are interested in serving as a greeter, please contact Eric Scheidt at 812-371-8810.

**JOINING OUR CHURCH FAMILY...** We would love to have you join our family of faith here at St. Paul. If you would like to find out more about our church or the process to become a member, please contact Pastor Bauman in person, by phone (812-350-4115) or by email (pastorbauman@stpaulcolumbus.org).

**THANKS TO...** all who donated casseroles and food for the Easter breakfast this morning. Thanks also to everyone who joined us for breakfast to support our youth ministry!

# The Response of God's People

Wednesday, April 9th

Lenten Service Attendance: 144

Last Sunday, April 13th

Divine Service Attendance: 440; Communion: 320

Sunday School Attendance: 186

General Fund: **\$22,480.25** Weekly Need: \$15,933 Extending Christ's Love: \$3,419 including \$80 Bob Risk

Memorials

Radio Ministry: \$105

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