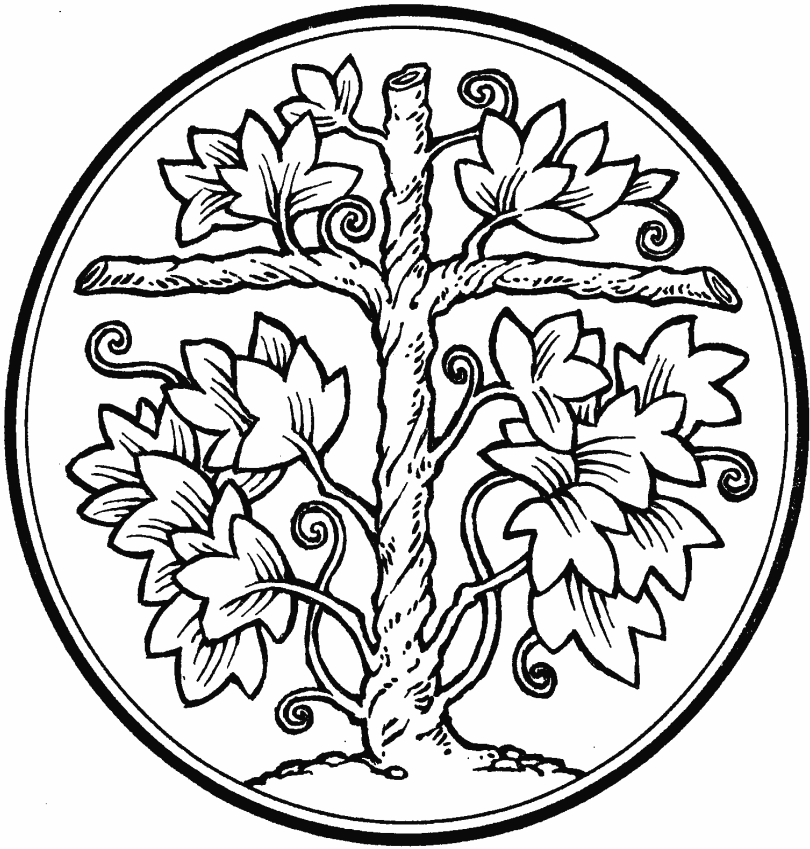


St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

Fifth Sunday of Easter



May 2, 2021

Divine Service – Setting Three

Baptism: Ellie Rae Strauss (10:45am)

Hymn of Invocation

700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling sts. 1-3



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment.

But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my

Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit *Ps. 145:1–2, 8, 10, 21; antiphon: John 16:16*

P: A little while, and you will see me no longer;

C: and again a little while, and you will see me.

P: I will extol you, my God and King,

C: and bless your name forever and ever.

P: Every day I will bless you

C: and praise your name forever and ever.

P: The LORD is gracious and merciful,

C: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

C: and all your saints shall bless you!

P: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,

C: and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

P: A little while, and you will see me no longer;

C: and again a little while, and you will see me.



C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie

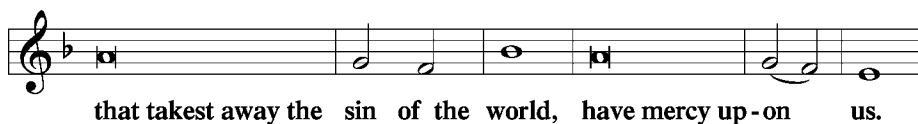
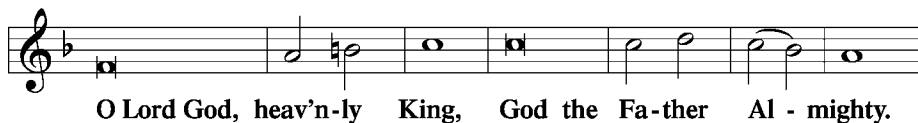
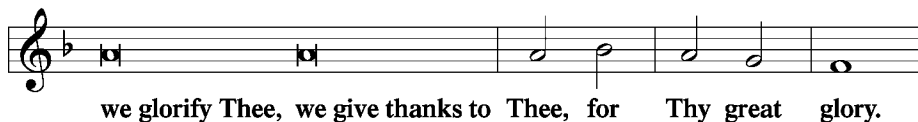
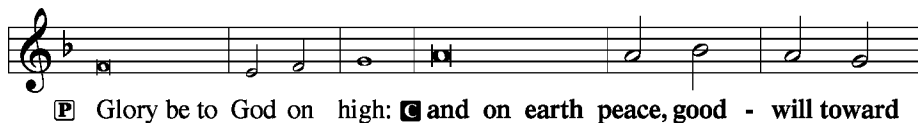


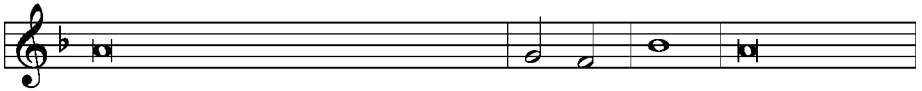
C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



Gloria in Excelsis

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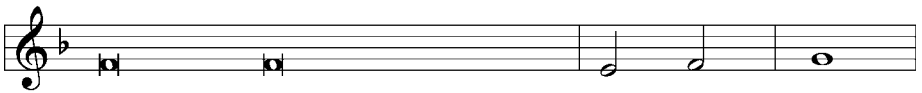




Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



☒ And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

First Reading Acts 8:26–40

²⁶Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,
so he opens not his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told

him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6*

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle *1 John 4:1–11*

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only

Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *John 15:1–8*

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

C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser.

²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the

branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**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.**

Children's Message – Michael Leapley, DCE Intern

Hymn of the Day

707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat-utes still!
 2 Or - der my foot-steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin-cere;
 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict-er watch to keep;
 4 Make me to walk in Thy com-mands—'Tis a de-light-ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!
 Let sin have no do-min-ion, Lord, But keep my con-science clear.
 And should I e'er for-get Thy way, Re-store Thy wan-d'ring sheep.
 Nor let my head or heart or hands Of-fend a-gainst my God.

Sermon Title: *"A Fruitful Undertaking"*

Sermon Text: John 15:1-8

Rev. Samuel Bobby

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your

hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. **C Amen.**

Sit

Offertory Hymn

466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia *sts. 1, ref, 2, 4*



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
He who gives life did death un - der - go;
Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
And in its con - quest His might did show.
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."

Refrain



Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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Stand

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



G We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



G It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

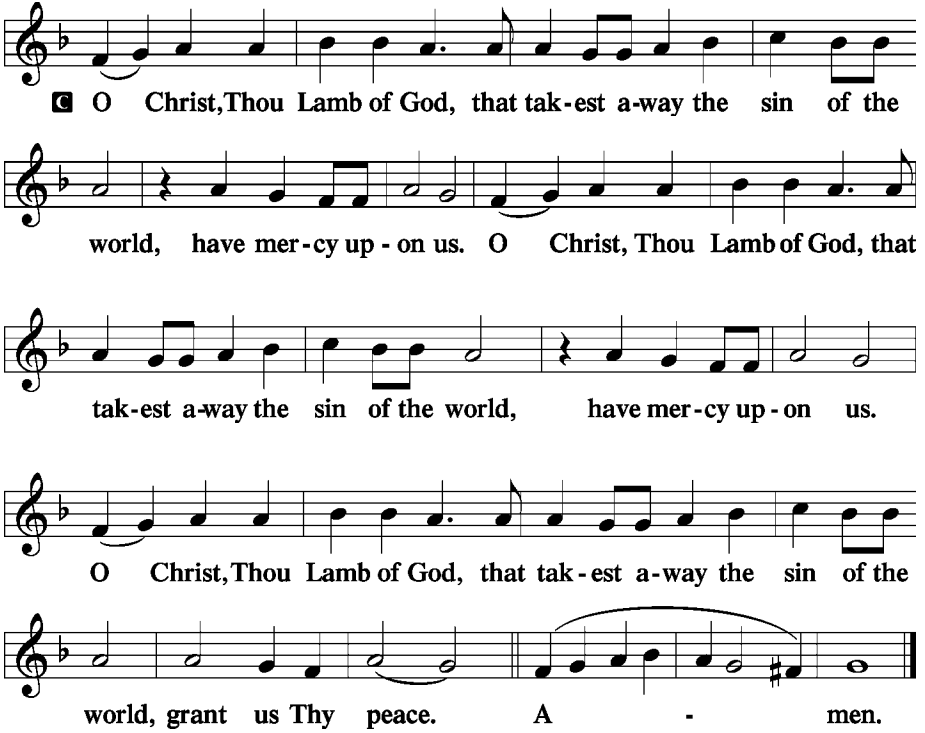


C A

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men.

Agnus Dei




□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymn

633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast-
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight,
 You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
 Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise,
 And Your saints in You shall rise.
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days:
 Three in One, Your name we praise.
 Alleluia!

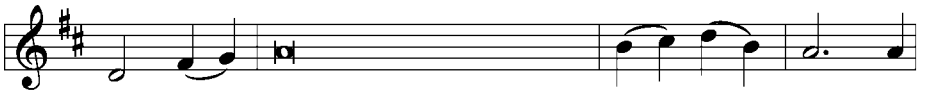
In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



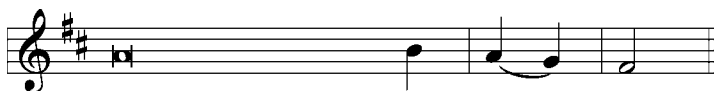
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling *st. 4*



4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,

Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

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The purpose of St. Paul's Congregation is to assist its members to share and to grow in their faith in Jesus Christ by faithful proclamation of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments in accordance with the confessional standards of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

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Ellie Rae Struss, daughter of Travis and Janna Struss will be Baptized at the 10:45am service.

Confirmation will be held on May 9, 2021 at the 10:45am worship service. Confirmands are Brodey Sauerwein and Brady Huff.

Ascension Day Service - Thursday, May 13th at 6:30 pm we will celebrate the fullness of Easter and the Lord Jesus' ascension back to His throne, in a circuit wide service with Communion hosted by Our Savior. Vicar Ray Anderson from St. Paul's will preach. The LWML will host an ice cream social afterward.

Camp Minneboji--Dear campers and parents: Camp Minneboji is from June 20-26, and the theme is *Washed!*. This year we will have parents register their campers on their own. However, please call the office and let us know if your child is going to camp, so we can make travel accommodations there and back from St. Paul's for the proper amount of campers. Plus you will need me (Pastor Bobby) to sign your registration form. The deadline for the \$30 registration discount is May 1, but they still accept registrations after that. We do have scholarships available for anyone needing financial assistance. Applications are available in the office. Thank you and it's going to be a great year at Camp Minneboji!

Five Loaves Suppers will resume on May 5th beginning at 5:15 pm. Help is needed (talent and experience not necessary) to set up, serve and clean up. Do you have 1-2 hours a month to help? Please call Sally at 225-3731 or the church office.

Church Softball League: Please contact Ray Anderson if you are interested in playing church league softball. Also looking for someone to manage the team.

The Lighthouse Preschool is now accepting registrations for the

2021-2022 school year. Registration packets are available on the table in the South Narthex or at the church office

VBS will be held on June 14-18. More information to follow.

Please pray for Brandi Wagemann, Roger Blum, Pastor Dell, Joyce Kenitzer, Delores Sandmeier, Ada McCorkle, Miles Eisenbeisz, Barbara Dahme, Dan Lingor, Jason Herrick, Gladys Felix, Muriel Schamber, Jeanie Quam, Kimberlee Kaiser, Harry Preston, Erica Bobby, Ann Thompson, Jerry Streckfuss, Elli Bode, Josie Lamee, Courtney Frohling, and Braelyn Staebner.

On the first Sunday of the month, the Coin Banks collected. The money is donated to The Journey to help those in our community.

MAIN STREET LIVING – May 9, 2021 10:00 AM – This is the Life – “A Will to Live” 10:30 AM - Rev. Peter Kurowski brings the message “*The Flagpole of Salvation*” based on Numbers 21:8. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – May 9, 2021 “*Seriously?*” Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYZ at 7:30 am on Sundays.

Organists: Sunday – Cyrece Kono **Monday:** Tierra Cassens
Wednesday: Cindy Jung

Offering: April 25, 2021 - \$8,741.12 Missions: \$60.00
Sunday School - \$14.00 Coffee - \$131.00

Sunday Attendance – April 18: 8:00am – 78 Communed - 63
10:45am – 89 Communed - 66 Monday - 21 Communed – 18
Wednesday - 14

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (May 2-May 9)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am Bible Study, Coffee & Donuts

10:45 am Worship Service

5-7:00 pm Circuit Youth @ Our Savior

Mon 6:15 pm Worship Service

7:00 pm Elder Meeting

Tue 7:00 pm Word vs World Bible Study

Wed 6:00 am Men's Bible Study

7:00 am Personnel Meeting

12:15 pm Worship

5:00 pm Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

5:15 pm Five Loaves Supper

Thur 9:00 am Good Cheer Circle Meeting

10:00 am Quilting

6:30 pm Board of Education Meeting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study, Donuts and Coffee

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service

1:00 pm Elder Bible Study

5-7:00 pm Youth Group - Gotham