

OUR TEMPTATION IS CRUSHED BY CHRIST'S OBEDIENCE

First Sunday in Lent

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH | Bangor, WI

March 6, 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we welcome you to St. Paul's. We especially welcome our guests who have joined us today. We pray that your soul will be strengthened by the good news of God's forgiveness through Jesus.

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP

Almighty Lord of Armies, I know I cannot stand before you with for all of the times I've given in when Satan brings temptations to my heart. Thank you for sending me a champion, your Son and my Savior, to defeat Satan and every temptation in my place. Strengthen me in the righteousness he has given to me through faith and bless my walk with you. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

Children's activity sheets are available near the entrance to the sanctuary. The church basement is also available with a live feed of the worship service along with a Kids' Corner for parents with children to utilize during the service if needed.

THANK OFFERING

You may leave your offering in the plate in the lobby. The QR code to the right will provide the link to our online giving option. If you're visiting with us today you are welcome to give an offering, but don't feel compelled by guilt or embarrassment to do so. God wants all offerings to be made freely and with joy.



HOLY COMMUNION

Today St. Paul's will be celebrating Holy Communion. The Bible tells us that those who take the Lord's Supper together are to recognize that Christ's true body and blood are present in the Sacrament (1 Cor. 11:29), examine themselves (1 Cor. 11:28), and be united in faith with their fellow communicants (1 Cor. 10:17). For these reasons, it is our practice that only those who are members of St. Paul's or of a congregation within our fellowship join us at the Lord's Table. If you are interested in learning how you can partake of Holy Communion with us in the future, the pastor would be pleased to speak with you after the service.

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Service of Word and Sacrament is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church that highlights the gospel in the Scripture readings as well as in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

CHOIR

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted



Chief of Sinners Though I Be | **385** (1-3)



please stand

INVOCATION

M: The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

ABSOLUTION

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Prayer and Praise

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

OPENING HYMN

Chief of Sinners Though I Be | **385** (4,5)

(short musical intro)

Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me. All my wants to him are known; All my sorrows are his own. Safe with him in earthly strife, I await the heav'nly life.

continued...

Strengthen me, O gracious Lord, By your Spirit and your word. When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way; Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Lord our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word, and when we fall, raise us up again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



be seated

The Word

FIRST LESSON Joshua 7:16-26

¹⁶Joshua got up early in the morning, and he had Israel come forward tribe by tribe. The tribe of Judah was identified. ¹⁷Then he had the tribe of Judah come forward, and he identified the clan of the Zerahites. Next, he had the clan of the Zerahites come forward by individual families, and Zabdi's family was identified. ¹⁸Then he had Zabdi's household come forward one man at a time, and Achan the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, from the tribe of Judah, was identified.

¹⁹Joshua said to Achan, "My son, give glory now to the LORD, the God of Israel, and give him praise. Now tell me what you did. Do not conceal it from me."

²⁰Achan answered Joshua, "It is true. I am the one who has sinned against the LORD, the God of Israel, and this is what I did: ²¹Among the plunder I saw an expensive Mesopotamian robe, a fine one, and two hundred shekels of silver and

one wedge of gold—it weighed fifty shekels. I coveted them and I took them. Now they are hidden in the ground inside my tent, and the silver is underneath it."

²²So Joshua sent agents. They ran to the tent, and there it was! The robe was hidden in his tent, and the silver was underneath it! ²³They took them from the middle of the tent and brought them to Joshua and to all the people of Israel, where they poured them out before the LORD.

²⁴Then Joshua took Achan son of Zerah and the silver, the garment, and the wedge of gold, as well as Achan's sons and his daughters, his ox, his donkey and his flock, and his tent and everything that belonged to him—so all Israel, led by Joshua, brought them up to the Valley of Achor.

²⁵Joshua said, "Why have you brought disaster on us? The LORD will bring disaster on you this day!"

Then all Israel stoned Achan to death. They also burned him and them with fire, and they pelted them with stones. ²⁶They erected a large heap of stones over Achan, which remains to this day. Then the LORD turned from the heat of his anger. For that reason the name of that place is called the Valley of Achor to this day.

SECOND LESSON Hebrews 4:14-16

¹⁴Therefore, since we have a great high priest, who has gone through the heavens, namely, Jesus the Son of God, let us continue to hold on to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet was without sin. ¹⁶So let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.



GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where he was tempted by the Devil for forty days. He did not eat anything during those days. When they came to an end, he was hungry. ³The Devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."

⁴Jesus answered him, "It is written: 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.'"

⁵The Devil led him up to a high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. ⁶The Devil told him, "I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, because it has been entrusted to me, and I can give it to anyone I want. ⁷So, if you worship me, it will all be yours."

⁸Jesus answered him, "It is written: 'You shall worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"

⁹The Devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the pinnacle of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰because it is written:

He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you.

¹¹And,

they will lift you up with their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."

¹²Jesus answered him, "It says: 'You shall not test the Lord your God.'"

¹³When the Devil had finished every temptation, he left him until an opportune time.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



be seated



SERMON Joshua 7:16-26

With Repentance, the LORD Wants Us to Know that...

We cann	not our sin from _	·
	gives	to the LORD.
	Our sin is	
Sin brings	and	
We're to	sin and keep it	·
He graciously _	from	·

please stand

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

be seated

OFFERING

"Bring the complete tithe to the storehouse so that there may be food in my house. Just test me in this, says the LORD of Armies. See whether I do not open for you the windows of heaven and pour down blessing on you, until there is more than enough" (Malachi 3:10).

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The presiding minister will speak the Prayer of the Church on behalf of the congregation.

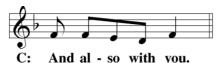
LORD'S PRAYER

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.

The Sacrament

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we also bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns. See p.156 in the hymnal for preparation.

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

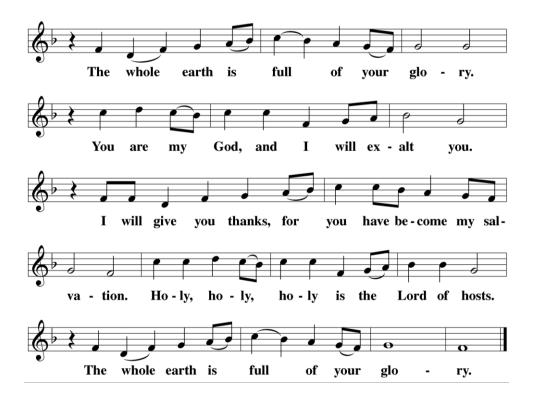


M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

(no musical intro)





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

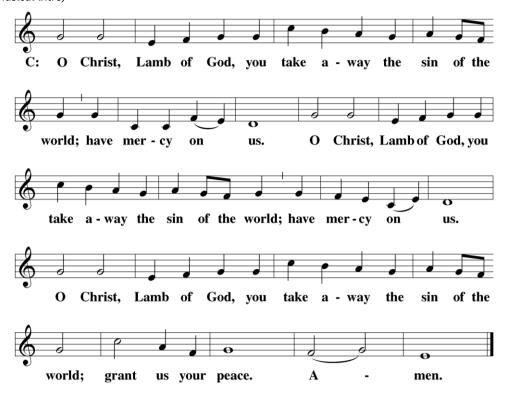
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

(no musical intro)



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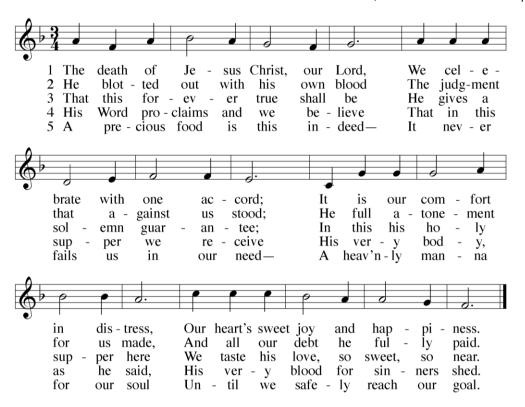
DISTRIBUTION

"The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a communion of the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a communion of the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (1 Corinthians 10:16,17).

Please follow the directions of the ushers during distribution.



DISTRIBUTION HYMN



- 6 Oh, blest is each believing guest Who in this promise finds his rest, For Jesus will in love abide With those who do in him confide.
- 7 The guest that comes with true intent To turn to God and to repent, To live for Christ, to die to sin, Will thus a holy life begin.
- 8 They who his Word do not believe This food unworthily receive, Salvation here will never find— May we this warning keep in mind!
- 9 Help us sincerely to believe That we may worthily receive Your supper and in you find rest. Amen! They who believe are blest.

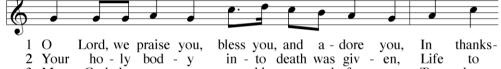
In the Hour of Trial | **116**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN



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O Lord, We Praise You | 317

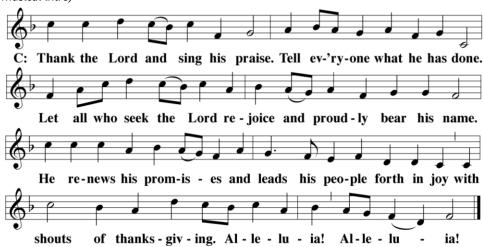


3 May God be-stow on us his grace and fa - vor To please



THANK THE LORD

(short musical intro)



PRAYER

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

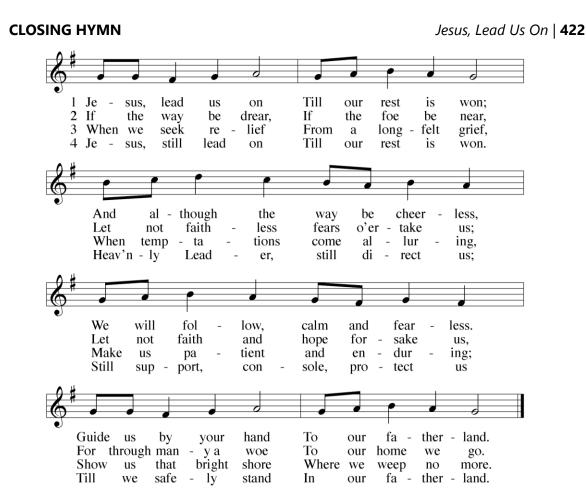
The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



be seated



NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

REPENTANCE FUELING (BIBLE STUDY) CONTINUES

Sunday School and Bible Study: The Wine Sign: Our God Jesus does miracles.

Midweek Bible Study (Tues., 7pm; Wed. 9am): The Book of Zechariah

PRINCIPAL CALL MEETING

A voters' meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, March 13, at 11:15 am, to extend a call for a principal and grades 7-8 teacher.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Midweek Lenten services continue each Wednesday at 7:00 pm. The theme for this year's midweek services is The Crucial Hours. The series ponders key words and moments from the account of Jesus' passion that demonstrate the thorough completeness of his saving work for us, the breadth and depth of his love for us, and the strength of his union with us.



ANOTHER DAY FOR CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS

If you missed your chance to have your church directory photos taken, there's still a chance! The photographers will be back on Tuesday, March 15, for another day of photos. To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to **www.ucdir.com**, click on "Photography Appointment Scheduling Login" on the right side, enter **wi163** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have six or more in your family please use two consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. Please call Shelly Lafky (608-797-4167) if you need assistance in scheduling. Pictures will take place in the church basement. Everyone who is photographed will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory.

WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VAN

If you know of a wheelchair accessible van that the Bakkens can borrow or rent, please contact either Pastor Groth or Irene Bakken at 608-344-1378.

EASTER EGG HUNT

We're looking to rejuvenate an event for our students, members, and community. In the past, our school has hosted an Easter Celebration/Easter Egg Hunt for the children. If you're interested in helping with planning and putting together this event for this year, please speak with Krista Pfaff. If you're not the planning type, hopefully you can help support our needs at a later time for the event. You can reach out to Krista via phone/text (608-386-2444) or email (KristaLPfaff@gmail.com).

2021 ANNUAL REPORTS

The 2021 St. Paul's Annual Report has been printed and is ready to pick up in the narthex.

ONLINE OFFERINGS

Did you know that St. Paul's offers an online giving option for your weekly offerings? All ways of giving offerings are good, but online giving can be a helpful way to prioritize your godly use of God's blessings and ensure regular giving to the Lord. It can also be helpful from a church bookkeeping perspective. If you'd like to set up online giving, visit the following URL (also linked in the QR code to the right): https://www.stpaulsbangor.com/church/offerings/.



ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS

You can find your 2021 individual financial report in a plastic bin in the church basement. The statements are organized by offering number. It has been discovered that some of these reports are not accurate. If your 2021 donation total is not accurate, please immediately contact our treasurer, Dylan Blount. We will immediately correct the report.

GOFUNDME FOR LUTHER STUDENT

David Chase, a freshman at Luther, was recently diagnosed with a tennis ball size tumor in the middle left of his brain. A GoFundMe account (a site that facilitates charitable giving) has been established to help the family with expenses. If you'd like to contribute and read more about this, please go to the web address below. Please keep David and his family in your prayers!

https://gofund.me/a85f1181

UKRAINE & RUSSIA – HOW TO HELP

From WELS Missions:

As we continue to pray for Ukraine and our brothers and sisters in Christ of the Ukrainian Lutheran Church (ULC), many are asking how they can help. World Missions leadership will continue to communicate with the ULC to determine what kind of immediate assistance might be needed for church members and others in need. If you'd like to give a gift, visit wels.net/wmgift and select "Ukraine" from the drop-down menu.

CAMM LETTER FOR MARCH

Copies of the CAMM monthly letter for March can be found in the church lobby.

GIFT TO THE CONGREGATION

A gift of \$3,220 has been given in memory of Hank Langrehr for the basement and kitchen and remodel fund.

OFFERING SUMMARY (includes online and memorials to Gen Fund)

2022 Weekly Budget: \$10,069.73 Budget to Date: \$90,627.57 Received 2/27: \$6,016.16 Rec'd to Date: \$75,934.60

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Live Stream Peak Live Viewers: 29

Sunday Bible Study: 30

Sunday School: 3

Tues./Wed. Bible Study: 28

Ash Wed: 116

Ash Wed Peak Live Stream Viewers: 18

CALENDAR

TODAY	8:00 am 9:10 am 9:15 am 10:00 am	Worship with Communion Sunday School Bible Study Worship with Communion
MONDAY	5:00 pm	Bible Information Class
TUESDAY	7:00 pm	Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	9:00 am 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bible Study (same as Tues.) Public School Catechism Class Midweek Lenten Service
THURSDAY	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
NEXT SUNDAY	8:00 am 9:10 am 9:15 am 10:00 am 11:15 am	Worship Sunday School Bible Study Worship Principal Call Meeting

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister Accompanist Pastor Brock Groth Harriet Langrehr

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