

8:00 AM WORSHIP

APRIL 13, 2025

PASTOR ROB GOODWIN PASTOR MARK GEARIG PASTOR BILL GRUENINGER

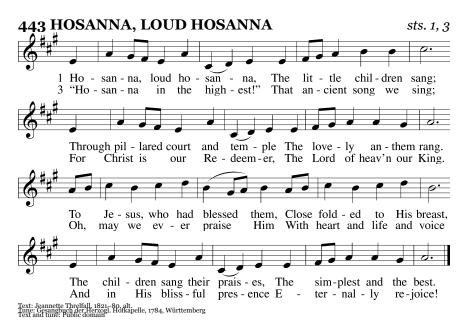
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN IS A CHURCH WHERE THOSE LONGING FOR A *DIFFERENT* LIFE FIND A *GRACE-FILLED* LIFE IN JESUS.



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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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

INVOCATION

Pastor Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Congregation Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Congregation Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Pastor Lo, your King comes to you;

Congregation Triumphant and victorious is He,

Pastor Humble and riding on a donkey,

Congregation On a colt, the foal of a donkey.

All In praise we adore You, King Jesus. Enter our hearts today as You entered

Jerusalem long ago, and lead us by faith in the way everlasting.

CONFESSION OF SINS

Leader I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and

sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all

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my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

Congregation The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission

of all your sins. Amen.

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brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

Amen.

Leader The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your

sins.

Congregation Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

KYRIE

Assistant In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let

us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Congregation Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READINGDeuteronomy 32:36-39

Assistant This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READINGPhilippians 2:5-11

Assistant This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

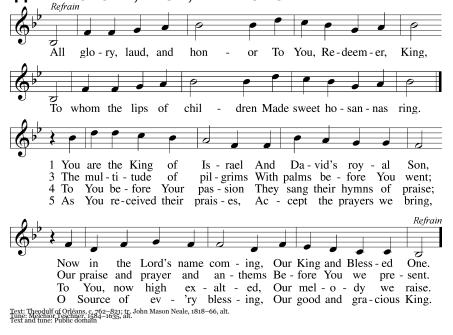
Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. *John*, the *twelth* chapter.

Congregation Glory to You, O Lord.

Reading *John 12:12-19*

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Congregation Praise to You, O Christ.**

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE LSB 160

Pastor The Lord be with you. **Congregation** And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

Congregation We lift them to the Lord.

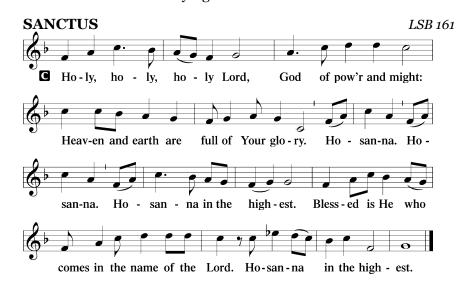
Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE (FULL)

Pastor

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Congregation 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.

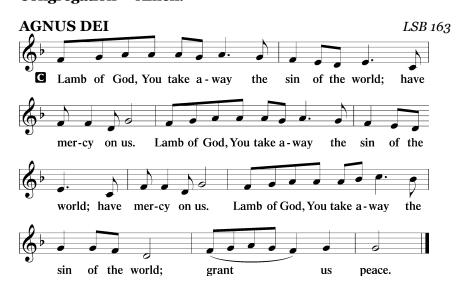
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

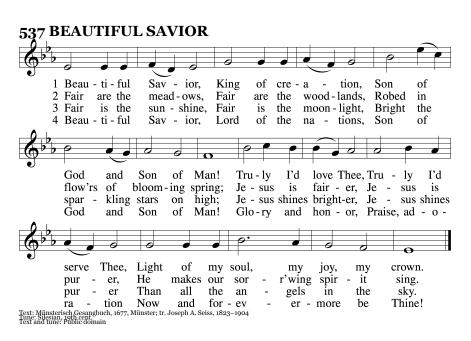
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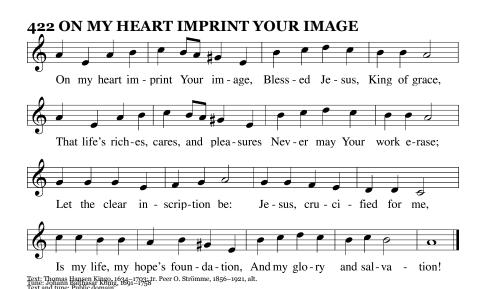
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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."







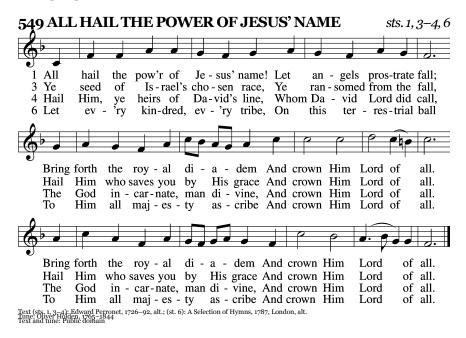


THE DISMISSAL

Pastor The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to

life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

Congregation Amen.



BENEDICTION LSB 166

Pastor 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.

Congregation Amen.

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HOLY WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

In worship on Maundy Thursday, April 17, at 6:30 PM we remember Passover and the Last Supper.

Our **Good Friday** Tenebrae worship (Service of Darkness) will be at 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM.

For those who wish to take communion on Good Friday there will be a brief service with confession, absolution, and the Lord's Supper at 12:30 PM & 6:30 PM.

There will be no worship service on Saturday, April 19.

Celebrate early on Sunday, April 20, at Easter **Sunrise** Worship (with Communion offered) at 6:30 AM.

Easter Sunday Celebration of Freedom will be at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM.

EXPERIENCE FAMILY-FRIENDLY BRANSON WITH YOUR ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Come along with the St. Paul's family on a motorcoach trip to Branson, Missouri this **September 24-26**. Highlights of this travel package include The Clay Cooper Show featuring singers, dancers, and musicians performing country, rock & roll, gospel, and patriotic favorites; and at the Sight & Sound Theater, **DAVID** - master poet, fearless warrior, anointed king: you will experience one of the most legendary Bible stories come to life. Look for the flyers around church for more details. Call Timi's Tours at 1-800-682-8214 to make your reservations. Tell them you are with St. Paul's!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING SOON

A new weekly Bible Study is starting up for the women of St. Paul's and the community. Come join with other sisters in Christ in the Family Room every Wednesday from 6:00 PM-7:30 PM beginning April 23. No need to register in advance.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT SPL?

April 13 - Early Communion Class

April 18 - ELC closed for Good Friday

April 21 - SPL Church Office closed for Easter Monday

April 27 - Encounter Worship Sunday

April 28 - SPL Kids Play Date

May 8 - ELC PreK Graduation

UNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UPDATE

Dear Church Families,

The annual Dinner Auction fundraiser for Unity Christian School will be held on **May 2, 2025**. Tickets are on sale now and may be purchased at www.UnityDecatur.org/auction. Additionally, we would like to invite anyone who feels the call, to donate in the form of silent auction baskets, gift certificates, or desserts. We are aiming to collect 50 gift cards in denominations of \$10, \$25, or \$50, which will be featured on the "Lucky Lions Board". Volunteers for set up and clean up are always welcome. Your generosity, no matter the size, makes a meaningful difference, and every donation brings us closer to our goal. If you are able to contribute in any way, please let us know by Friday, April 25th, or feel free to drop off any donations at the school office or reach out to frontoffice@unitydecatur.org to arrange pick up of any donations. Thank you for your support and we hope to see you on May 2, 2025.

The Unity Auction Committee

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God by Chuck & Chris Schuette in celebration of their 57th wedding anniversary.

OPERATIONS

ATTENDANCE

Last weekend attendance in person: 555
Last weekend attendance online: 110
Average attendance for the last 4 weeks: 544

GENERAL FUND GIVING SUMMARY MAR. 2025 3/30 to 4/5 APR TOTAL 2025 YTD NEEDED \$43,654 \$43,654 \$611,154 RECEIVED \$45,833 \$45,833 \$571,188 **DIFFERENCE** \$2,179 \$2,179 (\$39,966) General Fund Giving Through 4/5/25 611,154 700,000 ■ NEEDED 571,188 600,000 RECEIVED 500,000 DIFFERENCE 400,000 300,000 200,000 100,000 (100,000) (39,966)