

8:00 AM WORSHIP

MAY 4, 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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

837 LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

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Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till



all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,

3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied

4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

6 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.

Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.

As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.

Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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

INVOCATION

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

Congregation **Amen.**

EXHORTATION

LSB 151

Pastor If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Congregation **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 151

Pastor Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Congregation **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.**

ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

Pastor Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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.**

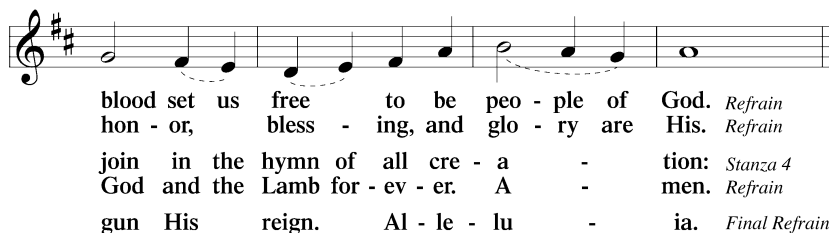
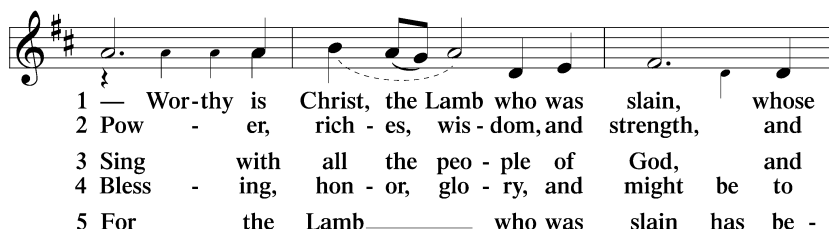
Assistant For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
Congregation Lord, have mercy.

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.

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 155



FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:1-19

Assistant This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 5:1-14

Assistant This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 156



GOSPEL READING

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. *John* , the *twenty-first* chapter.

Congregation **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Reading *John 21:1-19*

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation **Praise to You, O Christ.**

804 O WORSHIP THE KING

1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
6 O mea - sure - less Might, in - ef - fa - ble Love,
O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;
Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;
While an - gels de - light to hymn Thee a - bove,
Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
Thy hum - bler cre - a - tion, though fee - ble their lays,
Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
With true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to Thy praise.

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OFFERING

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. 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*LSB 161*


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER*LSB 162*

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

Pastor

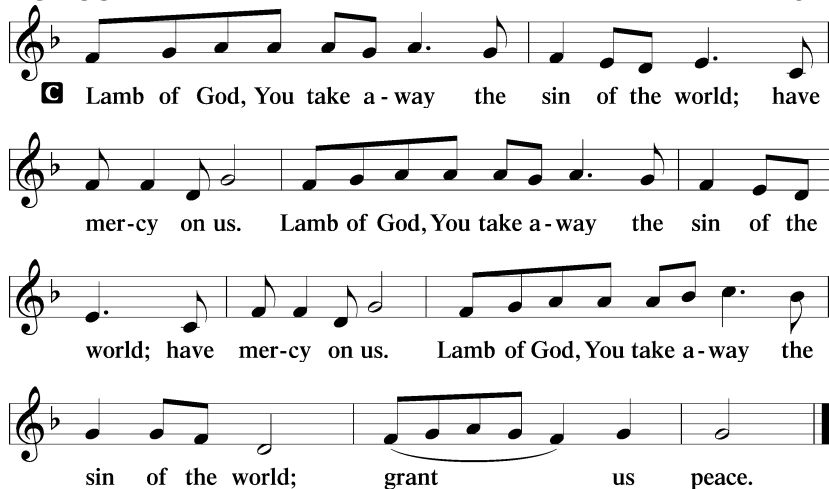
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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."

PAX DOMINI*LSB 163*

Pastor

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation**Amen.****AGNUS DEI***LSB 163*


Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

895 NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,
 2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,



Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices;
 With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us
 The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven,



Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way
 And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed
 The one eternal God, Whom earth and heaven adore;



With countless gifts of love And still is ours to-day.
 And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
 For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

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761 ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME



1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;
 2 Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;
 3 Nothing in my hand I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling.
 4 While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyes close in death,



Let the water and the blood, From Thy river side which flowed,
 Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,
 Na-ked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace;
 When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne,



Be of sin the double cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and power.
 All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.
 Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.
 Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

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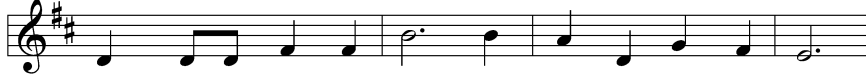
THE DISMISSAL

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.

829 CHRIST THE ETERNAL LORD

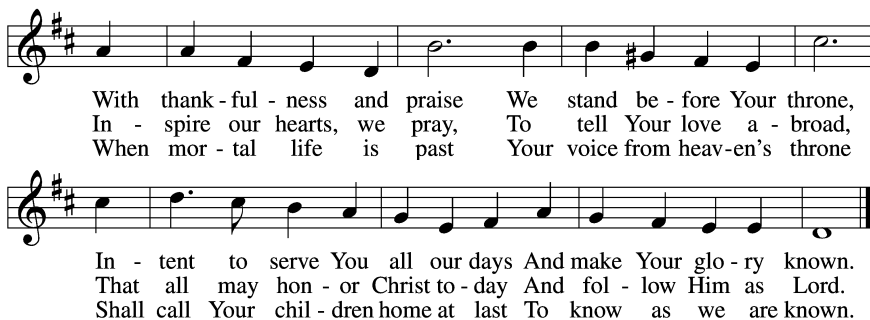
sts. 1, 3, 5



1 Christ the eternal Lord, Whose promise here we claim,
 3 Christ the redeeming Son, Who shares our human birth,
 5 Christ the ascended King Exalted high above,



Whose gifts of grace are freely poured On all who name Your name;
 And by His death salvation won For every child of earth;
 Whose praise unending ages sing, Whom yet unseen we love;



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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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THANK YOU

A big thank you to all who attended and supported the *Country Boots and Christian Roots Dinner Auction* to benefit Unity Christian School this past Friday. Your generous contributions of money, time, and prayers make the ministry of UCS possible.

ELC TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

This week, **May 5th-9th**, we are recognizing the teachers at the Early Learning Center - one of SPL's critical ministries. They care for our youngest children, show them the love of Jesus every day, and teach them about their Savior and a whole lot more. Keep them in your prayers and offer encouragement and support this week.

SEMI-ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING

All members should plan to attend the Semi-Annual Voters Meeting on Sunday, **May 18**, at 12:00 PM in the Dining Room. We will consider the slate for Board of Elders for 2025-2026, review Ministry Reports and the budget and receive congregational updates.

Nominees for the 2025-2026 Board of Elders are:

Chairman (1 year term) - Steve Zarndt

Chairman Elect (1 year term) – Sean Highley

Elder at Large (*continuing 2 year term*) - Brad Swartz and Bob Watters

Elder at Large (*beginning 2 year term*) – Chris Henkel, Paul Butler, Sam Morrow

SAVE THE DATE: SPL's **Community Vacation Bible School** is happening **June 10-12**. We invite everyone to come enjoy this community-wide event for the whole family in Fairview Park as a participant or as a volunteer. Registration is opening soon.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT SPL?

May 18 – Semi-Annual Voters Meeting

May 25 – Encounter Worship Sunday

May 26 – SPL Church Office and ELC Closed for Memorial Day

May 31-June 7 – Mission Trip to North Carolina

ELC UPDATE

May 8 – PreK Graduation, 5:30 PM, St. Paul’s Worship Center

UNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UPDATE

May 9 - Field Day

May 15 - Last Day of school (Noon dismissal)

May 15 - 8th Grade Graduation

May 18 - HS graduation

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God by the Harjung Family who are thankful to God for the blessing of family.

OPERATIONS

ATTENDANCE

Last weekend attendance in person: 418
Last weekend attendance online: 96
Average attendance for the last 4 weeks: 654

GENERAL FUND GIVING SUMMARY MAR. 2025

	4/20-4/26	APR TOTAL	2025 YTD
NEEDED	\$43,654	\$174,615	\$742,115
RECEIVED	\$65,661	\$194,096	\$719,451
DIFFERENCE	\$22,007	\$19,481	(\$22,664)

General Fund Giving Through 4/26/25

