

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY ~ JANUARY 30, 2022



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"Being Transformed By God's Grace To Love And Serve."

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If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

please stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may live in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news: In ✠ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

#836

Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 1:4 - 10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." ⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

²**In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.**

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

⁴**Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

⁵For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, my confidence since I was young.

⁶**I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.**

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 13:1 - 13

¹If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon

Kim Knowle-Zeller

stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

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Gospel

Luke 4:21 - 30

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 4th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

²¹Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" ²⁴And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on

which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff.³⁰ But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

please be seated
Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

please stand as you are able
Hymn of the Day

"O Zion, Haste"

#668

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

please be seated

Offerings

please stand as you are able

Offertory

"Let the Vineyard Be Fruitful"

#184

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words Of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray.....**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.**

please be seated

HOLY COMMUNION

by Stations

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.
Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Communion Hymns

"Christ, Be Our Light"

#715

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

#359

please stand as you are able

Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Blessing

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, ☩ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

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Dismissal

Go with Christ into a weary world to share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

"WE ARE GUIDED BY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"



Welcome: As Jesus told his hometown listeners (Luke 4:21-30), God's care reaches beyond all borders. Whoever you are and wherever you come from, you are welcome here.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Don Harms, Rocky Goyette, Jon Beckman, Kevin Tatum, Margie Gerken, Irene Viebrock and Kyle Luetjen.



Hear Our Prayer...

Jerry Metzner, John & Erin McCoy (nephew & niece of Paul Fuelling), Nancy Webb (sister-in-law of Glen Webb), John Turley, Pat Arline (friend of Taylor Vanderlinden), Rebecca Heimsoth (friend of Norma Schlesselman), Dieter Knowle (brother of Kim Knowle-Zeller), Debbie Viebrock (daughter-in-law of Delbert Viebrock), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin & Ruth Lackas (sister & brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Reagan Phillips, Greg Wright (family of Jim & Kim Gumbel), Rick Osborne (friend of Gale Logan), Bill Russell (friend of Florence VonHolten), Gina Smith, Baby Emma Ruth Eckhoff, Bill Hamilton, Marvin Bockelman (brother of Margie Gerken), Alex Stevens (friend of Tina Ives), Jeffery Jones (son of Bonnie Bohling), Joyce Jones (sister of Connie Gerken) and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



Remember our Shut-ins

Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling, Margie Gerken: *Ambrose*. Luella Viebrock, Marie Viebrock, Florence VonHolten & Cecelia Wiedemann: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, Cpt. Joseph Strathman, Sgt. Russell J. Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann) and Cpt. Wayne Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann).



Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.

New Baby: Congratulations to Allen and Christina Oelrichs on the arrival of their daughter, Brooklyn Marie. She was born on Friday, January 21st. Brooklyn is the sister of Cooper and Easton and granddaughter of Tom and Kathy Oelrichs.



The red rose on the baptismal font is in celebration of new life.

ORDINATION
ANNIVERSARY



Join the Celebration: The congregation is invited to a reception honoring Pastor Kim on the 10th year (+1) anniversary of her ordination. Pastor Kim was ordained on January 29, 2011. The reception will be held following worship service **today** in the Gathering Space. Come and celebrate this joyous milestone.

LBPS: Little Blessing Preschool will be in session on Tuesday, **February 1st** and Wednesday, **February 2nd** from 8:00am until 11:15pm in the church basement.



Meeting: The Evangelism committee will meet in Wednesday, **February 2nd** at 7:00pm.

Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **February 3rd** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.



Meeting: The Council will meet on Tuesday, **February 8th** at 7:30pm.

Souper Bowl: We're nearing the endzone of our Souper Bowl collection this year. The Cole Camp Food Pantry has again challenged area churches to help stock their shelves in the fight against hunger in our area. St. Paul's has elected to collect canned fruit (our very own Fruit Bowl) but any non-perishable items are welcome. Please leave those items by the goalposts in the Gathering Space by Sunday, **February 13th**. Will we be victorious so that the trophy can return to St. Paul's once again?



Adult Sunday School Class **Adult Sunday School:** Come join the Adult Sunday School class at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. After we finish up a lesson or two of our Genesis Bible study, we will then immediately begin a study of the book of Daniel. The book of Daniel contains some well-known Bible stories, but also some perplexing prophecies and visions. Come join us as we

walk through Daniel chapter by chapter and gain insight into the message of Daniel. Participants will have a study guide from several references to enhance our study. Come join us as we explore Daniel and discuss lessons learned we can apply to our lives.

*** ~ *IN OUR COMMUNITY * ~ ***

Chicken Dinner: CCHS Project Grad '22 will host a dinner and silent auction **today** from 11:00am until 1:00pm in the R-1 School Cafeteria. The dinner menu will be chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot rolls and cookies for \$10/person. Carry out option will be available. Tickets are available at the door or can be purchased in advance from a CCHS Senior, or the High School office. Thank you for your support!



Potato Bar: St. Paul Lutheran School PTL is hosting their annual Potato Bar **today**, from 11:30am to 1:00pm at the church fellowship hall in Stover. For only \$7, you get a baked potato loaded with your choice of toppings and a dessert. Dine in and carry out only; no deliveries. For more information, check out the facebook page or contact Julie at 573-789-[7252](tel:573-789-7252).

"Cole Camp Cares" Event: On Thursday, **February 17th**, St. Paul's is partnering with two MU School of Medicine students, Bothwell Regional Health Center, and Katy Trail Community Health to sponsor a "Cole Camp Cares" event.



Join us at the Jaycee Hall starting at 11:00 am that day for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship with friends and community members. A variety of health screenings (blood pressure, glucose, etc.) and other resources from those health centers will be available at that time. Then the two MU Med students and Dr. Todd from the Cole Camp Clinic will offer a short presentation about how to care for yourself and your neighbors (well-being, mental health, watching for warning signs) in these challenging days. This event is focused primarily on those involved in agriculture, but anyone is welcome to attend. A free lunch from Hickman's Smokehouse will then be served, and things should wrap up by 1:00 pm.

This has been a partnership through Communities of Calling over the past many months, so please help us spread the word (flyers are available at church) and we hope to see you there!

THE SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE

Don't forget! During Lent 2022, we will be hosting an art exhibit of seventeen prints from *The Saint John's Bible*, a fully handwritten and illuminated Bible commissioned by The Saint John's Abby in Collegeville, Minnesota. This is a world-renowned project that is both a work of art and a work of theology. This Bible brings us the Word of God through visual art. We hope that many people will come see it!



This exhibit kicks off on Sunday, March 6, with a special program and the first opportunity to see the prints. We welcome Rev. Michael Patella, Professor of Theology and New Testament at Saint John's University, who chaired the Committee on Illumination and Text for *The Saint John's Bible*. He will be with us for what we expect will be a wonderful day on **March 6th**.

Volunteers (members and non-members) will be on hand to welcome visitors during this exhibit. If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know if you haven't already. We will have a short volunteer training session after worship on Sunday, **February 20th** in the Sanctuary.

We are so excited to host this exhibit! Please remember, though, that the Fellowship Hall will be unavailable for most other uses during these five weeks. More information will be on our website – www.stpauls.me/bible - and on promotional materials that we encourage you to share with others.



~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~

January 30	Celebration for Pastor Kim
February 13	Souper Bowl
February 17	"Cole Camp Cares" Event
March 6	The Saint John's Bible Opening Day

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist Lois Viebrock
Pianist Jeannette VonHolten
Altar Guild Janice Gerken & Teresa Viebrock
Ushers Kelly Viebrock, Assistant Head Usher
..... Jim Gumbel, Mark Oelrichs, Justin Tinney & Bruce Wienberg



Fourth Sunday after Epiphany ~ January 30, 2022

Assisting Minister Melisa Balke
Communion Assistants Trisha Goosen & Stephanie Randall
Reader Brian Randall
Children's Sermon Kim Knowle-Zeller
Acolytes Grady Elliott & Ethan Goosen
Flowers Diann Holsten
Fellowship Hour



Fifth Sunday after Epiphany ~ February 6, 2022

Assisting Minister Darin Oelrichs
Communion Assistants At the Altar
Reader Lynn Schear
Children's Sermon Pastor Stephen Zeller
Acolytes Wyatt Gooch & Khloe Viebrock
Flowers Lynn Schear
Fellowship Hour