

MARCH 26, 2025

7:00 p.m.

The
LORD'S
Prayer

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE
MARCH 26, 2025

IN THE NAME OF JESUS, WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S!

PRELUDE

OPENING VERSICLES

LSB 260

This is the day which the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
Teach me Your paths.

Sanctify us in Your truth.
Your Word is truth.

From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE

LSB 261

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

**With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.
And you will say in that day:
"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,
make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted."**

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

**Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.**

**Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your
midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

**The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become
my salvation.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become
my salvation.**

FIRST READING

Romans 8:22-30

For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

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

RESPONSORY

We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.



He was delivered up to death; He was delivered
for the sins of the peo-ple.

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. *Refrain*

We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. *Refrain*

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 4th chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

"Man shall not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,'

and

"On their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone."

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall

down and worship me.” Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan!
For it is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God
and him only shall you serve.”

Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were
ministering to him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN (Stand) Our Father, Who from Heaven Above Sts. 1, 5, 9
LSB 766

- 1 Our Father, who from heav’n above
Bids all of us to live in love
As members of one family
And pray to You in unity,
Teach us no thoughtless words to say
But from our inmost hearts to pray.**
- 5 Give us this day our daily bread,
And let us all be clothed and fed.
Save us from hardship, war, and strife;
In plague and famine, spare our life,
That we in honest peace may live,
To care and greed no entrance give.**
- 9 Amen, that is, so shall it be.
Make strong our faith in You, that we
May doubt not but with trust believe
That what we ask we shall receive.
Thus in Your name and at Your Word
We say, “Amen, O hear us, Lord!”**

TEN COMMANDMENTS

**You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or
maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to
your neighbor.**

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

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.**

PRAYERS

LSB 265

The response to each petition will be:

Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, have mercy.

EVENING PRAYER

LSB 266

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

BENEDICTION

- 1 O Christ, You walked the road
Our wand'ring feet must go.
You faced with us temptation's pow'r
And fought our ancient foe.**

- 2 No bread of earth alone
Can fill our hung'ring hearts.
Lord, help us seek Your living Word,
The food Your grace imparts.**

- 3 No blinding sign we ask,
No wonder from above.
Lord, help us place our trust alone
In Your unswerving love.**

- 4 When lures of easy gain
With promise brightly shine,
Lord, help us seek Your kingdom first;
Our wills with Yours align.**

- 5 O Christ, You walked the road
Our wand'ring feet must go.
Stay with us through temptation's hour
To fight our ancient foe.**

*POSTLUDE***THOSE SERVING IN OUR MIDST:**

Greeter: Bob Juenger

Reader: Melissa Hecht

***Offerings** support the church's mission work – both here and through our many partners. Offerings may be placed in the box at the sanctuary entrance or sent to the church through our website or the mail. **Fellowship Cards** help us welcome new people and track participation. Please fill one out and place it in the offering box following the service.*

Acknowledgments

Service of Prayer and Preaching from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2025 Concordia Publishing House.

766 Our Father, Who from Heaven Above Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; (sts. 1, 9): tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; (st. 3): tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913–2001, alt. Tune: attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546 Text (sts. 1, 9) : Public domain Text (st. 3): © 1980 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005326 Tune: Public domain

424 O Christ, You Walked the Road Text: Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr., 1923–2007 Tune: William Daman, c. 1540–1591 Text: © 1997 GIA Publications, Inc. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005326 Tune: Public domain

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
7426 IDYLWOOD ROAD
FALLS CHURCH, VIRGINIA 22043**

A member congregation of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Mark Shaltanis, Pastor

The Rev. Xinhong “Chris” Yang, Associate and Chinese Pastor

The. Rev. Wayne Lehrer, Pastor Emeritus

Kantor Aaron Jansen, Dir. of Parish Music

Jill Cha, Preschool Director

Tawni Harrell, Director of Youth

Norm Williams, Business Manager

Linda Fekete, Parish Secretary

Richard Irwin, Building Manager

CONTACT US

Web site: www.stpaulsfallchurch.org

Office e-mail and phone:

secretary@stpaulsfallchurch.org; 703-573-0295

Business Manager e-mail:

businessmanager@stpaulsfallchurch.org

Pastor's e-mail: pastormark@stpaulsfallchurch.org

For your giving convenience you can scan this QR code.



Home | St Pauls Lutheran Church
secure.myvanco.com