**Sts. Peter & Paul**

**Evangelical Lutheran Church**

*Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod*

Founded-1917



**April 28, 2024**

699 Stambaugh Ave.

Sharon, Pennsylvania 16146

“I was glad when they said to me,

Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

***Psalm 122:1***

**Sts. Peter & Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, LC-MS**

**CANTATE**

**April 28, 2024**

**A special welcome to our guests this day!** If you would like more information about The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, or this congregation, please speak with Pastor Deal or an Elder after the service.

**Members & Guests:** Don’t be embarrassed if your children make noise during the worship service, all children do. We encourage families to worship togetherbut, if you feel the need, there are pews in the rear of the Church which are reserved for young families on both sides of the sanctuary. There is also a quiet room available to you, located next to the sanctuary (formerly the Pastor’s office), where you would be able to follow along with the service.

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Today’s service includes the **Sacrament of Holy Communion**. If during this past year, you have not worshipped with us and been communed, we respectfully ask that you do not partake of this sacrament this day before first speaking with Pastor Deal.

If visiting from a sister congregation of the LC-MS and are in good standing, please inform Pastor Deal of your desire to commune prior to the service.

If wishing to receive a blessing during communion, please approach with your arms crossed.

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Office Hours: The church office will be open Monday and Saturday (8:30 am-4:30 pm).

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***Silent prayer before worship:*** Dear Lord, You have claimed me as Your child in Christ, and have given me a family of faith, Your church. Lead me to read Your Word daily so that I may grow in faith, love, and knowledge of You. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

# Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn: LSB #793 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Stand

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Exhortation Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

Confession of Sins

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Absolution [John 20:19–23]

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

# Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 98:1b, 3–4; antiphon: vv. 1a, 2b



Sing to the Lord a new song, Alle- | luia,\*  
 for he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia.  
**His right hand and his | holy arm\*  
 have worked salva- | tion for him.**He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.\*  
 All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.  
**Make a joyful noise to the Lord, | all the earth;\*  
 break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!**Sing to the Lord a new song, Alle- | luia,\*  
 for he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia.

Gloria Patri





Kyrie Mark 10:47





Gloria in Excelsis Luke 2:14; John 1:29

P Glory be to God on high:

























Salutation and Collect of the Day: Cantate

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Prophecy: Isaiah 12:1–6 (NKJV)

Thus says the Lord God: In that day you will say: “O Lord, I will praise You; though You were angry with me, Your anger is turned away, and You comfort me. Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; ‘For Yah, the Lord, is my strength and song; He also has become my salvation.’ ” Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And in that day you will say: “Praise the Lord, call upon His name; declare His deeds among the peoples, make mention that His name is exalted. Sing to the Lord, for He has done excellent things; this is known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, O inhabitant of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel in your midst!”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 66:1–8

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;  
 sing the glory of his name;  
 give to him glorious praise!  
Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!  
 So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.  
All the earth worships you  
 and sings praises to you;  
 they sing praises to your name.”

Come and see what God has done:  
 he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.  
He turned the sea into dry land;  
 they passed through the river on foot.  
There did we rejoice in him,  
 who rules by his might forever,  
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—  
 let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

Bless our God, O peoples;  
 let the sound of his praise be heard,

Epistle: James 1:17–21 (NKJV)

Dearly Beloved: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Verse Psalm 118:16; Romans 6:9

Alleluia. The right hand of the Lord exalts, the right hand of the Lord does valiantly! Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia.

Alleluia



Holy Gospel: John 16:5–15 (NKJV)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.



At that time Jesus said to His disciples: “Now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they do not believe in Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,**

**the Father Almighty,**

**maker of heaven and earth**

**and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,**

**the only-begotten Son of God,**

**begotten of His Father before all worlds,**

**God of God, Light of Light,**

**very God of very God,**

**begotten, not made,**

**being of one substance with the Father,**

**by whom all things were made;**

**who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven**

**and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary**

**and was made man;**

**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures**

**and ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,**

**whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the Lord and giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,**

**who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,**

**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,**

**and I look for the resurrection of the dead**

**and the life** T **of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

Hymn of the Day: LSB #556 “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”

Sermon

Stand

Offertory Psalm 51:10–12











Prayer of the Church

Sit

Preparatory Hymn: LSB #478 “The Day of Resurrection”

# Service of the Sacrament

Preface 2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1 Psalm 136

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface (Abbreviated) LSB 194

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9











Lord’s Prayer *The congregation is encouraged to silently pray the Lord’s Prayer as it is chanted.* Matthew 6:9–13

P 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.





The Words of Our Lord Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

P 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 T 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 T 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 John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei John 1:29











Sit

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

**Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

**Amen.**

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

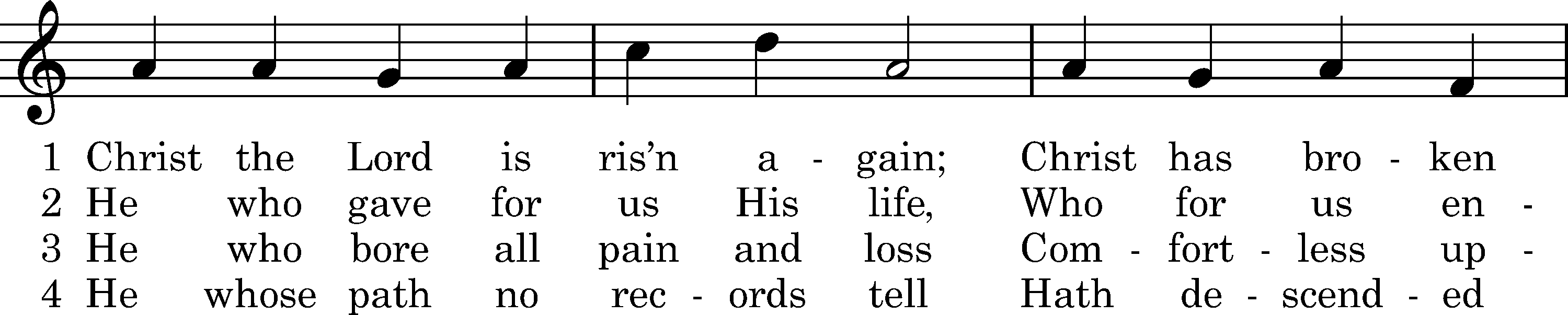
P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart T in peace.

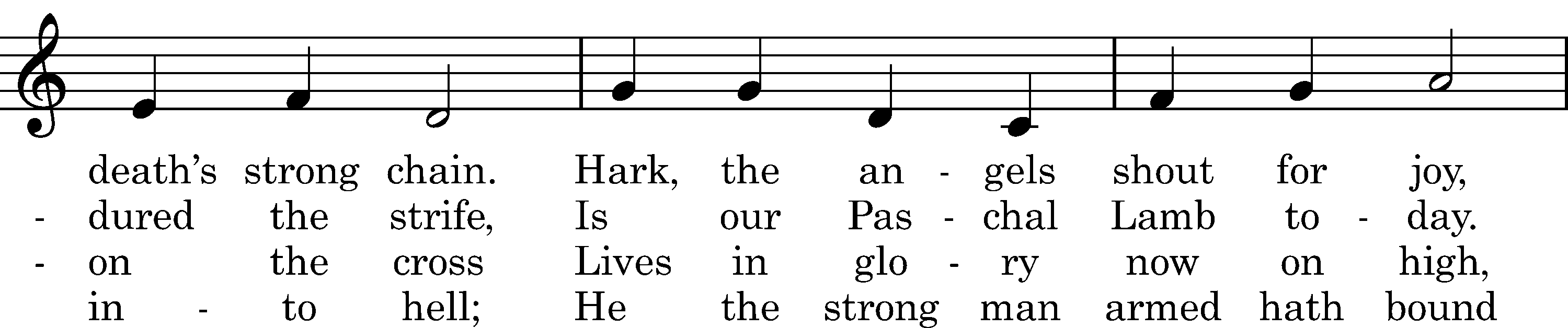
C **Amen.**

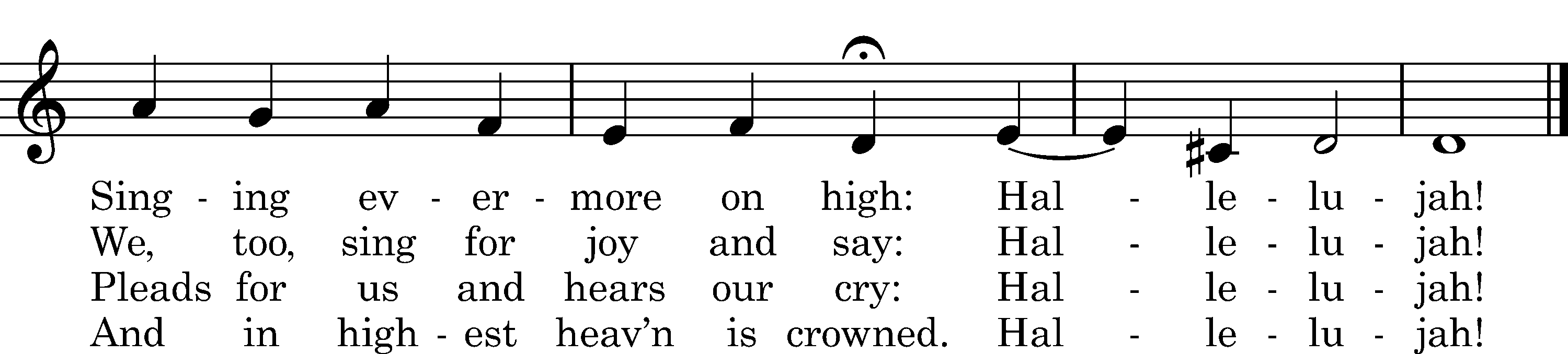
Distribution Hymn: LSB #796 “When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

Distribution Hymn: LSB #819 “Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good”

Distribution Hymn: TLH #190 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Again”







5 He who slumbered in the grave  
Is exalted now to save;  
Now through Christendom it rings  
That the Lamb is King of kings.  
Hallelujah!

6 Now He bids us tell abroad  
How the lost may be restored,  
How the penitent forgiv'n,  
How we, too, may enter heav'n.  
Hallelujah!

7 Thou our Paschal Lamb indeed,  
Christ, today Thy people feed;  
Take our sins and guilt away  
That we all may sing for aye:  
Hallelujah!

Text: tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; Michael Weisse, 1531 Tune: Latin, c. 1100 Text and tune: Public domain

Stand

Nunc Dimittis Luke 2:29–32















Thanksgiving Psalm 107:1

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Salutation 2 Timothy 4:22

P The Lord be with you.



Benedicamus Psalm 103:1

P Bless we the Lord.



Benediction Numbers 6:24–26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.



Closing Hymn: LSB #465 “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

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***Silent prayer after worship:*** Dear Lord Jesus, by Your great love You died on the cross for me and for all the world. Make me bold to shine brightly with Your love so that others may also know You as their loving Savior. Amen.

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**In Loving Memory of Barry Nelson:** *Christine Nelson (Food Pantry).*

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**THANK YOU FOR SERVING IN APRIL:** **Elder:** Jonathan Baisch; **Ushers:** Cheryl Fedele, Mike Flaugher, & Jesse Riffle. **Altarware ~** (prior) Diane Riefstahl (04.21 & 04.28); (after) Evelyn Baisch & Traudi Sulek.

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**Attendance:** Sunday, April 21, 2024: 42

Wednesday, April 24, 2024: 8

Thursday, April 25, 2024: 3

**SCHEDULE THROUGH MAY 5, 2024:**

**:**

Today, 6 pm, Deal Home: Sunday Evening Bible Study

7 pm, Fellowship Hall: AA Meeting

Tuesday, 5:30 pm, All Saints (Slippery Rock): Catechesis

7-9 pm, Fellowship Hall: Penn-Ohio Singers

Wednesday, 10 am, Sanctuary: Matins Service (Feast of Sts. Philip & James)

Following, Sanctuary: Choir Practice

7 pm, Fellowship Hall: NA Meeting

Thursday,10 am, Fellowship Hall: Women’s Bible Study

6-6:45 pm, Sanctuary: Choir Practice

Next Sunday, 8 am, Fellowship Hall: Bible Study

9 am, Sanctuary: Divine Service

7 pm, Fellowship Hall: AA Meeting

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**Our Stewardship of Treasures for the Lord:**

**Figures for Sunday, April 21, 2024**

General Fund: $1,889.00

SELC: $0.00

Food Pantry: $100.00

Quarterly Missions: $10.00

Major Repairs: $89.43

Capital Campaign: $476.00

**YTD Giving/Budget (as of April 14, 2024)**

General Fund: $33,549.79 / $40.687.80

SELC: $846.00 / $1,153.80

***For online giving, check out*** [***https://www.saintspeterandpaul.net/online-giving***](https://www.saintspeterandpaul.net/online-giving)***.***

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**THANK YOU FOR SERVING IN MAY:** **Elder:** Jonathan Baisch; **Ushers:** Matt Berent, Mark Gabriel, Michael Laird, & Jerome Thomas. **Altarware ~** (prior) Elizabeth Haenftling (05.05), Marie Flaugher (05.12), Diane Riefstahl (05.19 & 05.26); (after) Elizabeth Haenftling & Hank Holcroft.

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Bible **Memory Verses ~ Week of April 21st:**

**For Adults:**  *Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:2*

**For Children:** *Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things!*

*Psalm 98:1*

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**Available today:**

* Minutes from the April 22nd **Church Council** meeting.
* May issue of **“The Rock and the Sword”** newsletter.

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Remember the following in Prayer…

**~The Hurting and Healing:**  *Amy, Ralph, Steve, Mary Jane Anderson, Steve Antolovich, Ellen BaronCA, Don BaxterCA, Amy Blomenberg, Lois BortnerCA, Sara Brubaker and her son, Canaan; Dee Bullock, Bev & Joe Chlpka, Susan Davies, Tim Dudash, Mike Flaugher, Judith & Eddy Furey, Griffin, Pastor Charles Henrickson, Joan, Keith Jozwiakowski, Darla Krajci, Barbara Kreske, Jess Lavoie, Paul LucasCA, Sandy Marshall, Drew Martz, Augusta Mennell, Juanita Rentschler, Richard ReuningCA, Nancy RobertsonCA, Kriss SvidroCA, Rudy Tomko, Fred Tonty, Bob Usnarski, Joel & Peggy Wasson, Angela WeserCA, and Ruth Wolf.*

**~The Homebound:**  *Anna Mae Daris, Millie Elavsky, Jean Tomko, Betty Wolf, and Ed & Millie Zachar.*

**~Serving in the Military:**  *Alex (Sasha) Carr, Duncan Vaupel, Curtis Sinewe, and Joshua Solyan.*

**~Community & World Needs:**  *Those suffering due to the conflicts in the Middle East and between Ukraine and Russia; those suffering from loss and dislocation because weather disasters; those suffering from addiction and their families; Local, State, and National Government Leaders; safety for all Police Officers, Firefighters, & First Responders; the unemployed; our Second Quarter Local Mission: Support of a Concordia, Fort Wayne Seminarian. . \*CA represents cancer.*

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Check out the posters on our bulletin boards for the May 6th **Vitalant blood drive** and how to preregister! Speak with Cheryl Fedele if you should have any questions.

**Here to Serve**

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If needing to get into the church building during the week, please phone first to make certain someone is here to let you in.