

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin

April 1/2, 2017

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Lazarus was dead and buried, but four days later, Jesus raised him. Listed below are faith-building comments from John's account of Lazarus, with follow-up questions for today's sermon.

- "It is for the glory of God." *What does "glory" mean?*
- "He stayed two days longer." *Why? He wanted to make the miracle more dramatic even if the loved ones would suffer more? Is there a better answer?*
- Thomas said, "Let us go with Him that we may die with Him." *What does this tell us about Thomas?*
- "You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world." *What does this tell us about Martha?*
- "Jesus wept." *If Jesus was going to raise Lazarus in the next moment, why was He weeping?*
- "Come out!" "Unbind him." *What is the significance of these commands?*

"On the Way to Calvary, Jesus Encounters..."

Week 1 ~ Jesus Encounters Satan	(Matthew 4:1-11)
Week 2 ~ Jesus Encounters Nicodemus	(John 3:1-17)
Week 3 ~ Jesus Encounters the Samaritan Woman	(John 4:5-30; 39-42)
Week 4 ~ Jesus Encounters the Blind Man	(John 9:1-39)
Week 5 ~ Jesus Encounters Lazarus	(John 11:1-45)
Palm Sunday ~ Jesus Encounters the Crowd	(John 12:12-19)



Confession and Absolution **page 184**

Psalmody *Psalm 130*

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.

Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD!

O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

O Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness,

that you may be feared.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,

and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning,

more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.

And he will redeem Israel

from all his iniquities.

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 37:1–14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O Lord GOD, you know.” ⁴Then he said to me, “Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD.” ⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. ¹¹Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’ ¹²Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Music

7:00pm

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

8:00am

There Is a Green Hill Far Away

Epistle Reading

Romans 8:1–11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to

the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." ⁴But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. ⁷Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" ⁹Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. ¹⁰But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." ¹¹After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." ¹²The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." ¹³Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, ¹⁵ and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." ¹⁷Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰So when

Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world." ²⁸When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." ²⁹And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. ³⁰Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. ³¹When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. ³⁴And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus wept. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?" ³⁸Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." ⁴⁴The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." ⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed **page 191 or inside back cover**

Hymn 552 *O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life (1, 9, 10, 4)*

Sermon “Why Did He Weep?” (John 11:35)

Offertory **page 192**

Offering *Please complete the friendship register found at the end of the pew.*

Prayer of the Church

The Service of the Sacrament **page 194**

Note for those desiring to commune... Our practice of close communion is the Biblical and historic practice of the Christian church. It is prompted by love, both for God’s Word and for His people since it seeks to prevent spiritual damage to those who do not recognize the true body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine in this Holy Supper (1 Corinthians 11:29). Furthermore, it does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible’s deep concern for doctrinal truth (Romans 16:17) and the Bible’s witness that the Lord’s Supper is the highest expression of fellowship and doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42). For this reason, guests who are not a member of a sister LCMS congregation are asked to speak to our pastor before communing.

Distribution Hymns **613** **631 (1–5)** **551**

Nunc Dimittis **page 199**

Benediction

Closing Hymn **526** *You Are the Way; through You Alone*



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SERVING THE LORD IN WORSHIP

Liturgy	Rev. Mark R. Palmer	Sermon	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup
Organists	Ms. Rhoda Lehrke		Mrs. Lorraine Doell
Music	7:00pm	Philip, Steven, Paul, and Ron Schmidt	
	8:00am	Grades 3 & 4	
Acolytes	Andrew Schauder	Abby Stoltenow	Kendall Wilcox

PRAYERS

In Need of Healing . . . *J.J. Brusewitz, Greyson Cornelius, Kathy Ebert, Doris Hoffman, Tillie Kallies, Shirley Kieckhafer, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Dorothy Krull, Ted Kupsky, Judy Manthei, Marian Monroe, Sandy Rosin, Doris Schmidt, Brittany Slack, and David Wegner.*



We pray for . . . the family of *Gerald Frank*, brother of John and Germaine Frank, who entered eternal glory on Saturday, March 25th, and received Christian burial Friday, March 31st.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Read through the Bible in Two Years... a note from Pastor Shoup

I'm still behind, but am catching up. We started WEEK ONE on Monday, January 30. Monday, April 3 is WEEK TEN. We're starting Leviticus – not easy, but stick with it. Consider all the stories thus far: Creation, the flood, Abraham, the sacrifice of Isaac, Jacob and his brothers, Moses, the 10 plagues, the meticulous instructions for the tabernacle, Mount Sinai, the receiving of the 10 commandments. Haven't started? Feel welcome to begin. The two-year reading schedules are on the narthex table. Bibles with brief explanatory notes are available too, if you'd like to try one.



Easter Lilies and spring plants. . . Palm Sunday is only a week away. Orders are now being taken for those who would like to beautify the sanctuary for Easter, and we are far behind in our orders for this year.

Lilies are \$16, and other types of spring plants are \$18. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex. A box is available for your payment. Or, if you prefer, please call Karen Baker (715-758-8874) or contact Trisha Anderson in the school office. Orders will be taken through Palm Sunday services.

St. Paul Mission Circle's Potluck Salad Buffet . . . will be held on Thursday, April 20 at 6:00pm in the fellowship hall. This year's theme is "It's a Great Day to be Alive." The program will consist of music and a PowerPoint presentation by David and Cheryl Schmidt. Tickets are \$4 and may be purchased from Joyce Shest (715-881-1018), Mary Luepke (715-758-8664), Kathleen Kriehn (715-799-3857), Karen Baker (715-758-8874), or from Trisha in the church/school office. Come enjoy an evening of good food and fellowship!

Attended/Communed – March 25, 26, and 29, 2017

Saturday	3/25	7:00pm	83
Sunday	3/26	8:00am	159
Sunday	3/26	10:15am	190
Wednesday	3/29	10:00am	304
Wednesday	3/29	7:00pm	<u>68</u>
		Total	804

Lutheran Hour . . . "Humble Strength for Eternal Salvation" (Philippians 2:5-11) On *Palm Sunday*, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, not to set up an earthly kingdom but to overcome sin and death--for us. Tune in next Sunday to hear Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM or at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7.

Midweek Lenten Worship — 10:00am and 7:00pm

“Questions of the Passion”

In Matthew’s telling of Jesus’ suffering and death in chapters 26 and 27, there are two dozen questions asked by the High Priest, or the Pharisees, or Pilate, or Jesus Himself.

The series will continue through Easter Sunday.

“But How Then Should the Scriptures Be Fulfilled?” (Matthew 26:54)

“What Further Witnesses Do We Need?” (Matthew 26:65)

“Why This Waste” (Matthew 26:8)

“Do You Think that I Cannot Appeal to My Father...?” (Matthew 26:53)

“What Is that to Us?” (Matthew 27:4)

Maundy Thursday “Is It I, Lord?” (Matthew 26:22)

Good Friday “What Shall I Do with Jesus Who Is Called Christ?” (Matthew 27:22)

Easter Sunday “Strong Statements, Not Questions!” (Matthew 28:1 – 10)



Palm Sunday Breakfast

Sunday, April 9, 2017

7:00 – 9:30am



SPYRT (St. Paul Youth Rejoicing Together) will serve a Palm Sunday Breakfast. Please call the school office at 715-758-8532 if you can donate anything to help offset the costs. Thank you in advance for your contribution of supplies or cash donations. Proceeds will be used to help benefit our youth for their next national youth gathering.

Items needed:

30# cheese curds

Cash Donations will be used for:

Sausage, Fresh Fruit, Sweet rolls/Doughnuts, and French Toast Sticks

Change at St. Paul School . . . If you walk around St. Paul during the school day you will notice that all teachers and staff are wearing an ID badge. This is the first step in upgrading the security here at St. Paul. A question has been asked, “Why at St. Paul?” It is for the safety of your children here. It is so the student, no matter how big or small, knows that the adult they meet in the hall belongs at St. Paul. Visitors to St. Paul must sign in and pick up a visitor pass in the school office before continuing into the school building. When the visitor leaves, he or she needs to stop in the office to sign out and return the visitor pass. Parents who pick up or bring children to school will need a visitor pass to continue in the school building past the metal doors outside the 4K classroom.



BLOOD DRIVE ... at St. Paul, Monday, April 24, 1:00 – 6:00pm

Thanks to generous supporters, the Red Cross is able to respond to disasters both large and small, provide 24-hour support to members of the military, collect and distribute about 40 percent of the nation’s blood supply, offer international humanitarian relief, and train millions of people in first aid, water safety, and other lifesaving skills. A sign-up table is located in the entrance to the church. You may call the Red Cross for eligibility questions: (866) 236-3276. Online registration is also available for your convenience: redcrossblood.org (enter sponsor code stpaulbonduel.) April treat is orange juice and cookies! Please contact Audrey Wussow if you have any questions. (715-758-8856).

Sunday School starts April 2nd !!

The spring session will begin on Sunday, April 2, 9:15am – 10:05am and run for 8 weeks through May 21 (no Sunday School on Easter Sunday.) Please bring your children (4 years old through 6th grade) to the school entryway, and a volunteer will bring them to their class. Please plan to pick up your children from their classes or in the entry way at 10:05am. New students may sign up at [.stpaulbonduel.com](http://stpaulbonduel.com). Please invite friends and neighbors to attend. We have a lot of fun learning about Jesus with puppets, crafts, and stories while 4th–6th graders learn with skits, games, and crafts.



Little Lambs Sunday School will meet Sunday mornings 9:15am – 10:00am in the Preschool classroom. This spring session will also run April 2 – May 21. All parents with infants through 3-year old toddlers are invited to join Jeff Wegner and daughter Mckenna in the Preschool classroom along with other parents for informal fellowship, Bible stories, and music corresponding with the church year seasons. Parents of youngsters attending other Sunday School classes are also welcome to join us. No registration is needed, and walk-ins are always welcome. Call Pastor Palmer at 715–758–8559 or email Jill Olson at @live.com if you have questions.

Second Annual Steak Fry . . . sponsored by the St. Paul Men's Club will be held on Sunday, April 23. Tickets again are \$15 and will go on sale soon. Menu includes rib eye steak, lettuce salad, baked potato, rolls, coffee, milk, and desserts. Please contact a member of Men's Club for more details.



Creation Museum/Ark Trip . . . St. John Lutheran in Pulaski is hosting a 4-day trip to the Creation Museum and Ark in Kentucky this summer. They've kept costs as tight as possible—another local company hosting this trip is charging hundreds more per person. Space is limited so reserve your spot soon. Details may be found in the narthex.





It's coming! It's almost here!
 Bayland Builders is scheduled to begin construction of the new
 Wolf River Lutheran High School

in Shawano the first week of April. The new high school must be completed by the start of the 2017-2018 school year this fall, and your help is needed. God said, "Make disciples of all nations."

A donor has volunteered to contribute up to \$200,000 if we can match that amount. Every dollar given over the next two months will be doubled by this matching gift. Our youth are our future.

What better way to prepare students to attain their life goals and lead productive lives than to offer them secondary education in a Christian high school in the Shawano area. May God lead you to donate to this worthwhile mission. For more information call 715-745-2400 or mail your gift directly to Wolf River Lutheran High School, P. O. Box 77, Cecil, WI 54111. Your support will be deeply appreciated.



Camp Luther News



Memorial Day Family Retreat at Camp Luther

May 26–29

Start a new Memorial Day tradition, and bring your family to Camp Luther this year. Join in on any or all of the staff-led favorite summer activities, or do your own thing as a family in this very flexible schedule. A guest pastor leads the Adult Bible Study while the staff teaches the kids in age-appropriate groups.

Acolyte Schedule Next Week

4/5	Ella Hischke		Gaven Vance	
4/8	Trey VandenBrook	4/9	Cashten Davis	Hailee Thompson

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

4/8	Peggy Buchholz	4/9	Patti Rosin	Barb Wickman
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EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- SUN. 4/2** 8:00am Worship– Holy Communion
9:00am Fellowship (Parish Fellowship)
9:15am Bible Study and Sunday School
10:15am Worship– Holy Communion
- MON. 4/3** 7:30am Strong Bones
5:15pm College Ministries
6:00pm Board of Trustees and Board of Parish Fellowship
7:00pm Adult Instruction
- TUES. 4/4** 7:00am Bible Study
8:00am Quilting
5:30pm Board of Evangelism
6:00p22m Choir
7:00pm Board of Elders
- WED. 4/5** 10:00am Lenten Worship
5:00pm Public School Confirmation Class
5:45pm Bell Choir
7:00pm Lenten Worship
- THURS. 4/6** 1:30pm Ladies Aid
6:00pm Board of Parish Education
6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
7:00pm Men’s Club
- FRI. 4/7** 7:30am Strong Bones
- SAT. 4/8** 9:30am SPYRT Palm Sunday Breakfast Set-up
7:00pm Worship – Holy Communion
SCRIP collected
- SUN. 4/9** 7:00–9:30am Palm Sunday Breakfast
8:00am Worship – Holy Communion
9:15am Bible Study and Sunday School
10:15am Worship – Holy Communion
7:00pm Christian Couples’ Bible Study–Home of Brad and Jill Olsen

