

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin

March 7/8, 2020

The Second Sunday in Lent

Welcome to the House of the Lord

God displays awesome power to work deliverance and salvation for His people. His mercy and grace move people to follow Him. In the Old Testament, the movement of the ARK of the COVENANT was the movement of the LORD himself. The LORD, present with the ARK, would lead His people across the Jordan River at flood stage to the promised land. For God's people of old, to follow the ARK was to follow the LORD. In time, God's presence with the ARK is replaced by the very presence of Christ himself, the visible presence of God for the benefit of His people. Just as the LORD was pleased to use the ARK of the COVENANT as the physical and visible means of His presence in the Old Testament era, so now in the New Testament era He is pleased to use water, and bread and wine – Baptism and the Lord's Supper, with His Word – to be present to bless, forgive, guard and keep us every day.

Welcome to all who gather in the name of the Lord, into the holy presence of God.



Opening Hymn 568 *If Your Beloved Son, O God*

Confession and Absolution **page 184**

Psalmody — Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

My help comes from the LORD,

who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved;

he who keeps you will not slumber.

Behold, he who keeps Israel

will neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.

The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.

*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.

Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the 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 — Joshua 3:3–17

As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it. ⁴Yet there shall be a distance between you and it, about 2,000 cubits in length.”

⁹And Joshua said to the people of Israel, “Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is passing over before you into the Jordan. ¹³And when the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap.”

¹⁴So when the people set out from their tents to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, ¹⁵and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), ¹⁶the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap... and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. ¹⁷Now the priests bearing the ark of the

covenant of the LORD stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Music 10:15am *God Is So Good and My God Is So Great*

Epistle Reading — Hebrews 12:1–3

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

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The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according St. John the third chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” ³Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶“For

God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ

Apostles' Creed **page 192 or back cover of hymnal**

Hymn **564** *Christ Sits at God's Right Hand* **(1, 3, 5, 6)**

Sermon **"His Word Makes Water Work"** (Joshua 3; 2 Kings 5; 2 Kings 6)

Hymn **573** 7:00pm, 8:00am *Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee*

Children's Bible 10:15am A gift for our three-year-olds

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

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn **560** *Drawn to the Cross*



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Serving the Lord in Worship

Pastors Rev. Timothy J. Shoup Rev. Mark R. Palmer

Organist Mrs. Lorraine Doell

Music Preschool, 4K, and Kindergarten

Acolytes Maycee Reisner Charlotte Luepke Tucker Hischke

Prayers

In Need of Healing . . . *Bob Buettner, Gabe Delzer, Shirley Kieckhafer, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Carl Kosbab, Judy Manthei, Donna Seefeldt, and Wallace Zernicke.*



We Pray For . . . the family *Kathy Ebert*, who was called to her eternal home on Sunday, March 1, and given Christian burial at St. Paul on Saturday, March 7, 2020.

We Pray For . . . the family *Brittany Slack*, granddaughter of Bill and Tillie Kallies, who was called to her eternal home on Wednesday, March 4, 2020.

Announcements

Midweek Lenten Worship

Eyes on Jesus

10:00am and 7:00pm

Wednesday, March 11 – *Sleepy Eyes*

Rev. Travis Kleinschmidt

Sunday School . . . Attendance last week was 17. This week our three-year-old through 3rd graders are learning about Jairus' daughter. Not familiar with that story? Join us and have fun learning about it. Give Jesus your worries. Our 4th-6th graders will be continuing their lesson on friendship. Real friends really listen like God listens to us.

Attended/Communed – February 26, 29, and March 1, 2020

Wednesday	2/26	10:00am	327/138
Wednesday	2/26	11:30am	24/ 22
Wednesday	2/26	7:00pm	128/ 64
Saturday	2/29	7:00pm	82/ 50
Sunday	3/1	8:00am	201/151
Sunday	3/1	10:15am	<u>176/100</u>
		Total	938/525

Thank you . . . to all of the Thrivent members (over 95) who have called in and designated their dollars (\$6,981) to St. Paul Church & School in January. If you have not done yours, please call 800-847-4836 or go on-line [.thrivent.com/choice](http://thrivent.com/choice) to send your dollars. The 2019 program ends March 31, 2020 and anything not designated by then will be gone. This gift is truly appreciated.

Teacher openings for the 2020-21 School Year . . . two teaching positions need to be filled in our school. Please contact Principal Gerry Schmidt at 715-758-8532 or [.schmidt@stpaulbonduel.com](mailto:schmidt@stpaulbonduel.com) with any questions or to recommend someone.

Booster Club Easter Candy Sale . . . forms are in the office. Deadline is **Monday, March 9**. The order will be in before St. Paul School is on break for Easter. If you have questions please contact Mrs. Piering.

SPYRT's Papa Murphy's Pizza Day . . . will be Wednesday, March 11. If you don't feel like cooking, support our youth! Buy any pizza of your choice, and SPYRT will receive **25%** back from your purchase! Be sure to state that your order is for St. Paul SPYRT. If ordering online, enter the code SUPPORT at checkout. Proceeds will help defray costs for the National Youth Gathering which will be held in July of 2022. Thank you to all for supporting our youth group.



Relay for Life . . . will be having a Culver's Day on Wednesday, March 18. Please pick up a coupon in the narthex or just tell them you would like to donate. They will donate 10% of sales to the American Cancer Society.

WRLHS Trivia Event . . . The 7th Annual Trivia Event will be held on Sunday, March 15 at the school. Sign-in will begin at 12:30pm, and the event will start at 1:30pm. Prizes will be given for best "Let's Go to the Movies" attire and best decorated table. Teams may have up to eight adults. (A full team is not needed to sign up.) Free drinks, popcorn, and babysitting will be provided. There will also be a silent auction. Bring a snack item to share at your table. Cost: \$10 per person (\$12 at the door) You could sponsor a whole table of 8 in advance for \$80. Please call the WRLHS office at 715-745-2400, or email @wrlhs.org to reserve your spot.

“FREE” Woodworking Show and Sale . . . will be held at Green Bay Southwest High School, 1331 S. Packerland Drive, on March 21 & 22 from 9:30am-4:00pm. Live demonstrations, seminars, youth competition, bucket raffle, used tool sale, hundreds of handcrafted items sale, and food will be available.

The Lutheran Hour . . . "Gracious Confiscation" (Exodus 7-8)

Confiscation is a bad word. No one likes having their "stuff" confiscated. But what if it's God Who does the confiscating? Dr. Michael Zeigler says God may take away some blessings He once gave in order to give back even more. Tune in next Sunday at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM, at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7 FM, or go to [.lutheranhour.org](http://lutheranhour.org).

Camp Luther News . . . Every Kid to Camp -- Match Challenge

If Camp is blessed with \$20,000 in donations for Every Kid to Camp by April 30, 2020, our friends at MCL, Inc. of Pulaski, WI will provide an additional \$20,000 towards helping kids go to Camp Luther and Keweenaw Base Camp!

Give now at .com/give

Acolyte Schedule Next Week

March 11	Quinn Wesenberg	Ella Thornborrow
March 14	Ajay Heller	
March 15	James Pleshek	Braylon Krull

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

March 14	Sheila Bahr	
March 15	Pam Schmidt	Amy Schmidt



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EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday	3/8	8:00am Worship 9:00am Fellowship (Altar Guild) 9:15am Psalm 23 Bible Study 9:15am Bible Bowl Practice 9:15am Sunday School 10:15am Worship
Monday	3/9	7:30am Strong Bones 6:15pm Psalm 23 Bible Study (Music Room)
Tuesday	3/10	7:00am Bible Study 8:00am Quilting 6:30pm Church Council 6:00pm Bell Choir 6:15pm Psalm 23 Bible Study (Music Room) 7:05pm Choir (church balcony)
Wednesday	3/11	10:00am Midweek Lenten Worship 4:00pm–6:00pm Food Pantry 5:00pm Grades 7 & 8 Confirmation Class 6:00pm Grades 5 & 6 Confirmation Class 7:00pm Midweek Lenten Worship
Thursday	3/12	6:30am Psalm 23 Men's Bible Study 2:15pm Psalm 23 Bible Study 5:30pm Board of Parish Education
Friday	3/13	7:30am Strong Bones
Saturday	3/14	7:00pm Worship — Holy Communion
Sunday	3/15	8:00am Worship — Holy Communion 9:00am Fellowship (Board of Elders) 9:15am Psalm 23 Bible Study 9:15am Bible Bowl Practice 9:15am Sunday School 10:15am Worship — Holy Communion (Grades 1 & 2 sing)