



“Here I Stand”

The 500th Anniversary of
Luther’s Confession at the
Diet of Worms
Sunday, April 18



Luther’s Answer at the Diet of Worms:

It could have all ended the evening of April 18, 1521. The sun was beginning to set on the city of Worms. The heat was stifling in the packed room of the bishop’s palace where emperor, electors and German princes all waited with anticipation to hear the answer Martin Luther would bring. Would Luther recant? Would he retract what he had written and said against abuses in the church and against papal tyranny? Most of all, would he give up on the Gospel he had preached and taught, giving comfort and certainty to consciences in Christ? “Martin, answer clearly and without any double-talk: Do you or do you not recant your books and the errors in them?” With beads of sweat on his face, Luther responded:

“Unless I am convinced by the testimony of the Scriptures or by clear reason (for I do not trust either in the pope or in councils alone, since it is well known that they have often erred and contradicted themselves), I am bound by the Scriptures I have quoted and my conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and I will not retract anything, since it is neither safe nor right to go against conscience. I cannot do otherwise, here I stand, may God help me, Amen”

(LW 32:112–13).

500 Years Later:

Today, we stand in the footsteps of Martin Luther 500 years later. We stand boldly, proclaiming the One who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. We stand boldly, renouncing the devil and all his works and all his ways. We stand, by the grace of God, steadfast and ready to suffer all rather than fall away. Here we stand; we can do no other. God help us. Amen.

Find more at lcms.org/here-i-stand-sunday, including giving opportunities for providing a thank offering.

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin

April 15/18, 2021



The Third Sunday of Easter



Opening Hymn 465 *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

Now all the vault of heav'n resounds in praise of love that still abounds:

“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”

Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here:
“Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!” Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above

That we conquer through Your triumph;

Grant grace sufficient for life's day that by our lives we truly say:

“Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Introit

In your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.

O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**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.**

Hymn of Praise 465 *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

△ Adoring praises now we bring and with the heav'nly blessed sing:

“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!”

Be to the Father and our Lord, to Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading — Acts 3:11–21

While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. ¹²And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. ¹⁷"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading — 1 John 3:1–7

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.

³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. ⁴Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

*Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.*

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate before them. ⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**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 ✠ of the
world to come. Amen.**

Hymn **656** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

A mighty fortress is our God,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe
Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done,
Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the valiant One,
Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this?
Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord,
And there's none other God;
He holds the field forever.

Though devils all the world should fill,
All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill;
They shall not overpower us.
This world's prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none.
He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.

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Sermon “Here I Stand”

Hymn 655 *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son
And bring to naught all He has done.

Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known,
For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church that we
May sing Your praise eternally.

O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.

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Offering

Prayer of the Church

The Service of the Sacrament

Holy Communion . . . 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 Cor. 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 members of a sister LCMS congregation are asked to speak to our pastor before communing.

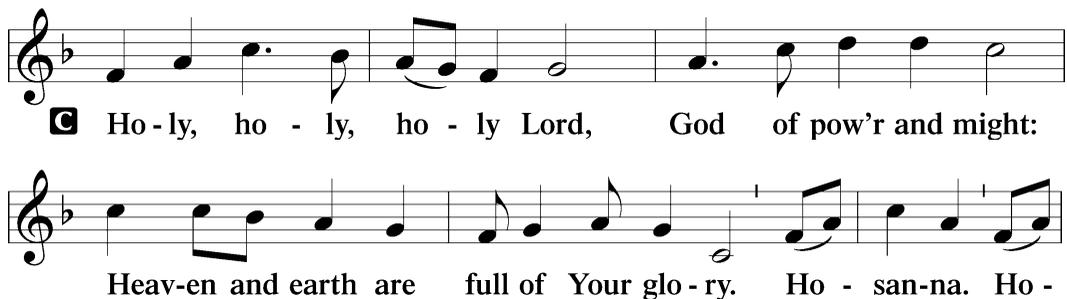
The Lord be with you;
And also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy upon us in the death and resurrection of Your glorious Son. Strengthen us, we pray, with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He so bids us to do. Gather us together with all the saints living and departed to celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. To You alone, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and praise, now and forever.

Amen!

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach 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.

The Words of Our Lord

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 ✠ 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 ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns

680 *Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise*

Thine the amen Thine the praise alleluias angels raise
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be
Thine the vision Thine the tree all the earth on bended knee
Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be
Then the ringing and the singing then the end of all the war
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise then the justice of Thy ways
Thine the glory Thine the story then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

Thine the glory in the night no more dying only light
Thine the river Thine the tree then the Lamb eternally
Then the holy holy holy celebration jubilee
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

720 *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*

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| 1 | We walk by faith and not by sight,
No gracious words we hear
From Him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
But we believe Him near. | 3 | Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
And may our faith abound
To call on You when You are near
And seek where You are found. |
| 2 | We may not touch His hands and side,
Nor follow where He trod;
But in His promise we rejoice
And cry "My Lord and God!" | 4 | For You, O resurrected Lord,
Are found in means divine:
Beneath the water and the Word,
Beneath the bread and wine. |
| 5 | Lord, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light
We may behold You as You are, With full and endless sight. | | |

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Amen.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

Closing Hymn 643 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended. O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching, receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us, with Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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Serving the Lord in Worship

Pastors Rev. Timothy J. Shoup and Rev. Mark R. Palmer
Organists Mrs. Lorraine Doell and Mrs. Debbie Welch
Acolytes Will Baciak Vincent Peebles Jackson Rudzinski

Prayers

In Need of Healing . . . *Bob Buettner, Lori Cathey, Ruby Christensen, Gabe Delzer, Shirley Kieckhafer, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Judy Manthei, Sue Nohr, Rachel Olson, Charlie Rosin, Randy Simon, Jerry Steif, and Rachel Wussow.*



Baptism . . . *Huxley Sheldon Hughes*, son of Gregory and Ashley Hughes, will be baptized after this weekend's 10:15am service. He was born on March 11, 2021. His sponsors are Lawrence Coon, and Bina Sutton.

Baptisms . . . The following will be baptized Sunday at 1:30pm:

Araceli Agnes Schimmels-Perez, daughter of Matthew Schimmels and Fabiola Perez Valentina. She was born November 12, 2020. Her sponsors are Josh and Emily Schimmels.

Emerald Agnes Schimmels and *Olivine Carolyn Schimmels*, daughters of Joshua and Emily Schimmels. They were born on February 17, 2021. Emerald's sponsors are Erica Reep and Matthew Schimmels. Olivine's sponsors are Alexis Schimmels, Jessica Marciano, and Isaac Palmer.

Announcements

Quarterly Voters' Meeting . . . will be held on Sunday, April 25 at 11:30am.

Mission Circle Bake Sale . . . A bake sale will be held after all worship services on Thursday, April 22 and Sunday, April 25. Proceeds will be applied towards providing the Portals of Prayer, children's bulletins, and Cradle Roll Ministry gifts. The Mission Circle sincerely thanks you for your support. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Krull.

<i>Attendance — April 8 and 11, 2021</i>			
Thursday	4/8	7:00pm	81
Sunday	4/11	7:45am	122
Sunday	4/11	9:00am	46
Sunday	4/11	10:15am	<u>99</u>
Total			348
Online Services Livestream Views			161

Hope in Him 2020–2022					
3-year special offering					
As of March 31, 2021					
	Mortgage	School Repair	WRLHS	Missions	Total
Pledged	\$173,721	\$74,041	\$43,002	\$11,352	\$302,115
Received	\$145,344	\$56,785	\$25,264	\$6,814	\$234,206

Lutheran Hour . . . "Replace or Repair?" (*Jonah 2*) Broken doesn't mean "disposable." Dr. Michael Zeigler tells how God redeems and repurposes broken people. Tune in next Sunday to hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM, at 10:00am to WRVM/102.7 FM, or go to www.lutheranhour.org.

Next Papa Murphy's Fundraiser for SPYRT . . . Support our youth and keep your kitchen clean all at the same time! Papa Murphy's will donate 25% of your online pizza purchase to our SPYRT (St. Paul Youth Rejoicing Together) on Wednesday, April 21. Order online and use the code "SUPPORT" at the checkout. You may also order by calling 715–201–1500 or order in the store and let the cashier know you are part of the fundraiser. Thank you for your support.



St Paul Lutheran Endowment Fund . . . Did you know St Paul has a great way to strengthen the ministry, outreach and mission of St Paul Lutheran Church and School? The Endowment Fund consists of Gifts of any size where the principal amount remains intact and is invested for long term growth. It is like a savings account where only the interest and/or earnings can be spent. If you are looking for a place for your stimulus dollars to strengthen the church and school this is a great place to give! There is an informational flyer in the narthex if you would like to know more. Please contact Trisha Anderson at the church office at t.anderson@stpaulbonduel.com or call her at 715-758-8559. You may give to the endowment under Online Giving on the website or through the mobile app.

Thank you Thrivent! . . . The March Thrivent Choice funds from 33 members and friends came to \$2,481. Thank you all. Thrivent sent \$9,297 knowing that 2020 was a difficult year for people and organizations. They request that St. Paul Church, School, and Preschool put the funds to good use. We will and we sincerely thank them.

Prayer Shawl Group . . . Beginning April 19, the Prayer Shawl group will begin meeting again every 3rd Monday at 6:30 pm.

Thank you . . . to all the individuals who purchased lilies and other spring plants to help beautify our church for Easter and the Easter season. Please pick up your lilies and plants by April 18 if possible. To make other arrangements contact Karen Baker at 715-758-8874 or 715-853-9137.

Unused Contribution Envelopes . . . may be dropped off in the box in the narthex or in the church office. The envelopes get recycled for chapel offerings.



**American
Red Cross**

Blood
Services

BLOOD DRIVE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Monday, April 19 , Noon – 5:00pm

Registration:

Online at redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: stpaulbonduel) –or – In narthex

Appointments Only! Masks required. Temp will be taken.

Contact: Karen Banaszynski (715-758-8103)

ALL BLOOD TYPES NEEDED

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sunday 4/18** 7:45am Worship — Holy Communion (livestreamed)
9:00am Worship — Holy Communion (Mandatory Masks)
10:15am Worship — Holy Communion
- Monday 4/19** 12:00pm–5:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive
6:15pm Board of Christian Education
6:30pm Prayer Shawl group
- Tuesday 4/20** 7:00am Bible Study
8:00am Quilting
6:30pm Church Council
- Wednesday 4/21** 8:15am Chapel (Grades 5-8)
9:00am Chapel (4K-Grade 4)
5:00pm Public School Confirmation
5:30pm Highway 29 Clean-up
6:30pm SPYRT
- Thursday 4/22** 7:00pm Worship
- Friday 4/23**
- Saturday 4/24**
- Sunday 4/25** 7:45am Worship (livestreamed)
9:00am Worship (Mandatory Masks)
10:15am Worship
11:30am Voters' Meeting

Acolyte Schedule Next Week

April 22 John Parsons
April 25 Caroline Richter Paige Niquette

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

April 22 Sheila Bahr
April 25 Pam Schmidt Amy Schmidt

Confirmation is May 2, 2021
Services will be held at 7:45am and 9:30am this day.



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