

# ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcomes you to worship

Pastor Mindy Ehrke

Second Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2020



Hymn – Holy, Holy, Holy 413 ELW

Invocation p. 203

Prayer of the Day – **O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The Word

First Reading – Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm 121

Second Reading – Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Gospel Acclamation for Lent p. 205

Gospel – John 3:1-17

Responses: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Gospel Song – Lift High the Cross vs. 1-2 660 ELW

Sunday School singing

Children’s Message

Sermon

Response to the Word

Hymn of the Day – Lift High the Cross vs. 3-4 660 ELW

Apostle’s Creed

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Offering Prayer - **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

Offertory Hymn – Create in Me 186 ELW

The Lord’s Prayer - Back Cover p. 208

Closing hymn – My Faith Looks Up to Thee 759 ELW

Dismissal: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**R: Thanks be to God.**

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**Large print bulletins** are available by asking the ushers.  
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Gospel theme - During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

We are glad you have joined us for worship:

**SUNDAY:** 9:15 am - Revelations Bible Study  
9:30 am – Sunday School and fellowship  
10:30 am – Worship with Sunday School singing  
**WEDNESDAY:** 1:30 pm – WELCA meeting at Roetells  
3:30 pm – Confirmation  
5:30 pm – Council  
5:30 pm – Meal at St. Paul  
6:30 pm – Lenten Worship at St. Paul  
**FRIDAY:** 9:00 am – Bible study  
**SUNDAY:** 9:15 am - Revelations Bible Study  
9:30 am – Sunday School and fellowship  
10:30 am – Worship with communion

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**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**USHERS:** Joel Carlson and Sean McGraw  
**GREETER:** Dianne Givens  
**READER:** Danita Carlson  
**ACOLYTES:** Alivia Gehrke and Collin Gaikowski  
**ORGANIST/PIANIST:** Laura Hoogheem  
**VISUAL VOLUNTEER:** Kathy McHenry, Ruth Haugerud or Anna Kirkeby  
**HYMN BOARD:** Gregg Stormo  
**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:** Chris and Kristie Stromsness, Bob and Barb Schlueter and Anna Kirkeby

**Thank you to everyone who helped with the worship service.**

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**LAST SUNDAY**

**ATTENDANCE:** 73      **OFFERING:** \$1735.00  
\*\$2000.00 is needed weekly to meet the proposed budget. Thank you for supporting our church.

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**\*THANK YOU to PAM SEEFELDT** for leading worship.

**\*THANK YOU to the SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS** for singing.

**\*NORMA BAILEY** passed away on Thursday. Visitation will be from 12:00-2:00 pm with funeral following at 2:00 pm. on Sunday, March 8 at the Furness Funeral Home.

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** the family of Norma Bailey, Robin Bentley, Craig Rasmusson, Shay Grygiel (infant daughter of Kyle and Carly (Deslauriers) Grygiel, Norma Bailey, Todd Terrill, Tina Gehrke, Les Solberg, David Warren, and those in the military and their families, shut-ins, and those in the assisted living and care center.

\*\*\*\*\***GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER – PRAYER POINT:** People affected by storms and wildfires in Australia and Nashville and being thankful for what we have and not for what we don't have.

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**YOUTH GROUP**

*\*Serving at churches for Lenten Services - serving March 11 service*

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

*\*Classes will start at 9:30 am*

*March 8 - SS singing*

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**CONFIRMATION**

*Will meet on Wednesday:*

**\*March 11** at 3:30 pm with Avery serving

**\*March 25** at 4:30 pm with Alivia serving

*\*Confirmation will be on Sunday, April 26 during worship*

**Acolytes:**

**March 8:** Alivia and Collin

**March 15:** Conner and Waylan      **March 22:** Collin and Hannah

**March 29:** Waylan and Talyn

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**GriefShare**

**It hurts to lose someone. Find help at GriefShare. GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.**

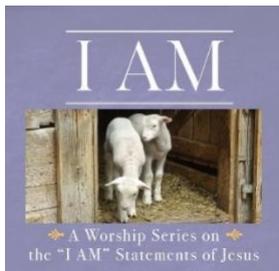
**NEXT MEETING**

**Clark United Methodist Church**

**Monday, March 09, 2020 • 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**

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**Lenten Midweek Services - I AM**



When Moses asks God's name at the burning bush God responds with the name "I Am." In the Gospel of John Jesus tells the disciples, and the crowds following him that he is I Am. He also says I am the bread of life, the light of the world, the door of the sheep, the resurrection and the life, the true vine.

Ecumenical Wednesday Lenten services with light supper at 5:30 pm and worship at 6:30 pm -

**\*March 11 will be at St Paul Lutheran Church (ELCA)**

**\*March 18 we are at Plymouth Congregational UCC church (UCC)**

**\*March 25 at St Paul Lutheran Church (ELCA)**

**\*April 1 Clark United Methodist church (UMC)**

**\*Maundy Thursday April 9 at St Paul Lutheran Church (ELCA)**

**\*Good Friday, April 10 at Clark Assembly of God Church. NO MEAL**

**\*SIGN UP in the narthex if you can help serve supper on April 9.**

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**\*REVELATIONS BIBLE STUDY** – We are going to be a field test congregation for a new Bible study on Revelations. The studies are designed to be one hour long and contain a video element. We will be asked to do an evaluation of the materials when we are done with the study.

March 8	Session 1	Apocalypse: From Fear to Hope
March 15	Session 2	The Rhythm to Creation
March 22	Session 3	Hell: Beasts, 666, and Satan
March 29	Session 4	Heaven: We Need It Now

St Paul will start their Study on March 8 and meet in the church basement, before worship at 9:15.

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**\*The MARCH WELCA MEETING** will be held at Roetells at 1:30 pm on Wed. March 11. There will be a short Bible Study and meeting followed by bingo and lunch.

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## A SEASON OF HOPE

This Lent, we're joining Lutheran World Relief in **A SEASON OF HOPE** to announce to the world the HOPE of Christ. Each week, we'll collect an item that we'll use to assemble

Personal Care Kits that give people around the world tools to stay healthy in life's most challenging situations.

Our goal is to assemble **50 LWR Personal Care Kits** during Lent.

Here's our collection schedule:

**March 8-** Bath towels (light-weight, maximum 52" x 27", dark color recommended)

**March 15** - Toothbrushes (adult size in individual original packaging)

**March 22** - Bath towels (light-weight, maximum 52" x 27", dark color recommended)

**March 29** - Bath towels (light-weight, maximum 52" x 27", dark color recommended)

**April 5** (Palm Sunday) - Bars of soap (4 to 5 oz., any brand, in original wrapping)

By making LWR Personal Care Kits, we can help create a lasting **SEASON OF HOPE**. Please join us on this Lenten journey!

**For more information contact the church office.**

