# St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany January 28, 2024

## **Divine Service Setting Five, Lutheran Service Book, page 213** Stand

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

- P In the name of the Father and of the 🛧 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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.

## Kneel/Stand

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

- 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.
- 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 ℜ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

### Stand

### Service of the Word

### Introit

Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7; antiphon: v. 10

Many are the sorrows of the | wicked,\*

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts | in the LORD.

Blessèd is the one whose transgression is for- | given,\*

whose sin is | covered.

Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,\* and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my in- | iquity;\*

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity | of my sin. Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you | may be found;\*

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not | reach him.
You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from | trouble;\* you surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Many are the sorrows of the | wicked,\* but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts | in the LORD.
942 Kyrie! God, Father

Kyrie! God, Father in heav'n above, You abound in gracious love, Of all things the maker and preserver.

Kyrie! O Christ, our king,
Salvation for all You came to bring.
O Lord Jesus, God's own Son,
Our mediator at the heav'nly throne:
Hear our cry and grant our supplication.
Eleison! Eleison!
Kyrie! O God the Holy Ghost,
Guard our faith, the gift we need the most,
And bless our life's last hour,
That we leave this sinful world with gladness.
Eleison! Eleison!

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#### 948 All Glory Be to God Alone

 All glory be to God alone, Forevermore the highest one, Who did our sinful race befriend And grace and peace to us extend. Among us may His gracious will All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.

Eleison! Eleison!

- We praise You, God; Your name we bless And worship You in humbleness;
  From day to day we glorify The everlasting God on high.
  Of Your great glory do we sing, And to Your throne our thanks we bring.
- Lord God, our King on heaven's throne, Our Father, the Almighty One.
  O Lord, the sole-begotten One, Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, True God from all eternity,
  O Lamb of God, to You we flee.

- 4 You take the whole world's sin away; Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray. You take the whole world's sin away; O Lord, receive our prayer this day. From God's right hand Your mercy send, To all the world Your grace extend.
- You only are the Holy One 5 And over all are Lord alone. O Jesus Christ, we glorify You and the Spirit, Lord Most High; With Him You evermore shall be One in the Father's majesty.

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- The Lord be with you. Ρ
- С And also with you.
- Р Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

### Sit

### **Old Testament Reading**

<sup>15</sup>"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers it is to him you shall listen—<sup>16</sup>just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' <sup>17</sup>And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. <sup>18</sup>I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. <sup>19</sup>And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. <sup>20</sup>But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.""

- Ρ This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God. C

### **Psalm**

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,\* in the company of the upright, in the congre- | gation. <sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the LORD,\* studied by all who de- | light in them. <sup>3</sup>Full of splendor and majesty | is his work,\* and his righteousness endures for- | ever.

Psalm 111; antiphon: v. 3

### Deuteronomy 18:15–20

<sup>4</sup>He has caused his wondrous works to be re- | membered;\* the LORD is gracious and | merciful. <sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who | fear him;\* he remembers his covenant for- | ever. <sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power of his works,\* in giving them the inheritance of the | nations. <sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faith- | ful and just;\* all his precepts are | trustworthy; <sup>8</sup>they are established forever and | ever,\* to be performed with faithfulness and up- | rightness. <sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for- | ever.\* Holy and awesome | is his name! <sup>10</sup>The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good under- | standing.\* His praise endures for- | ever! Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

### Epistle

#### 1 Corinthians 8:1–13

<sup>1</sup>Concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup>If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. <sup>3</sup>But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

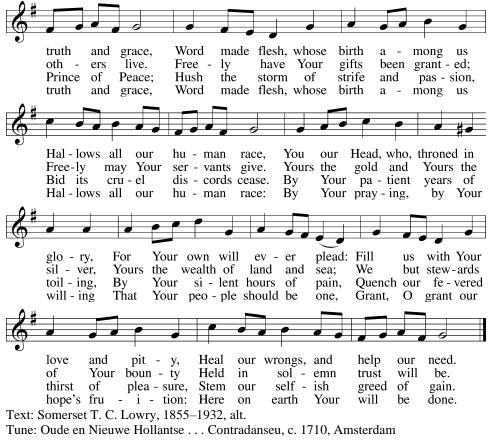
<sup>4</sup>Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." <sup>5</sup>For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"— <sup>6</sup>yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

<sup>7</sup>However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup>Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? <sup>11</sup>And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup>Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup>Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.







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### Stand

### **Holy Gospel**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

### C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. <sup>22</sup>And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup>"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." <sup>28</sup>And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

### 954 We All Believe in One True God

 We all believe in one true God, Who created earth and heaven, The Father, who to us in love Has the right of children given. He in soul and body feeds us; All we need His hand provides us; Mark 1:21–28

Through all snares and perils leads us, Watching that no harm betide us.He cares for us by day and night;All things are governed by His might.

We all believe in Jesus Christ, His own Son, our Lord, possessing An equal Godhead, throne, and might, Source of ev'ry grace and blessing; Born of Mary, virgin mother, By the power of the Spirit, Word made flesh, our elder brother; That the lost might life inherit, Was crucified for all our sin And raised by God to life again.

We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who, in highest heaven dwelling
With God the Father and the Son, Comforts us beyond all telling;
Who the Church, His own creation, Keeps in unity of spirit.
Here forgiveness and salvation Daily come through Jesus' merit.
All flesh shall rise, and we shall be In bliss with God eternally. Amen.
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### Sit

### Sermon - Guest Pastor Rev. Dr. Dean Rothchild

#### Stand

### **Prayer of the Church**

Service of the Sacrament

### Stand

### Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

- C 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.
- P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

## The Words of Our Lord

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

# 960 Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old

 Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spirit did behold High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright, With robes that filled the temple courts with light. Above the throne were flaming seraphim; Six wings had they, these messengers of Him. With two they veiled their faces as was right, With two they humbly hid their feet from sight, And with the other two aloft they soared;

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One to the other called and praised the Lord: "Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! His glory fills the heavens and the earth!" The beams and lintels trembled at the cry, And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on high. Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; Martin Luther, 1483–1546 Text: © 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001899

#### **Pax Domini**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

#### **Agnus Dei**

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C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.
 Amen.

Sit

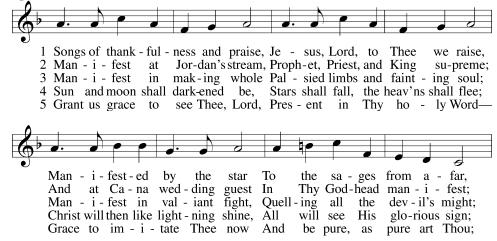
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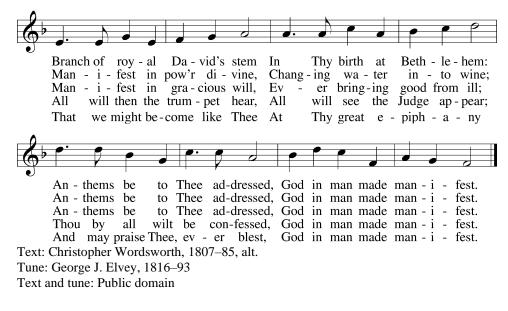
#### **Concerning the Holy Communion**

We ordinarily offer the Lord's Supper only to those who are communicant members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of congregations which are part of a church body which is in altar or pulpit fellowship with the LCMS. The Scriptures teach that Holy Communion is to be a confession of a common faith (1 Cor. 10:17, Acts 2:42) and that those who are unprepared may even do themselves spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:23-32). We do not hereby presume to question another's faith in Christ, but hold this historic position out of love for God's Word and in care for souls. Inviting all Christians to Communion would imply a oneness which does not yet exist but for which we must all pray. Even as we try to respect the practices of other Christian denominations so we ask others to respect our practice. Those who would like to discuss this practice at more length may make an appointment with our pastor to do so.

If you are unable to receive Holy Communion, but wish to receive a blessing, please feel free to come forward. Please stand with your hands behind your back to indicate that you would like a blessing.

### 394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise





690 Hope of the World



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849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



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### Stand

### 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

- O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
  Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy!
  May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and sorrows did carry, And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!
- 2 Thy holy body into death was given, Life to win for us in heaven.
  No greater love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy! Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee That Thy blood should bless and sustain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;

Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy!

May God bestow on us His grace and favor That we follow Christ our Savior And live together here in love and union Nor despise this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy! Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us; Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!
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## **Post-Communion Collect**

A 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.

C Amen.

### Benedicamus

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

- C Amen.

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### **Announcements**

**In our prayers** we pray for Donna Heilman and Christopher Downey who re undergoing treatments for cancer. Tahlia Ferderer, who remains in neonatal intensive care. Jon and Anna Kohlmeier at the birth of a daughter, Lily Sophia.

**Guest Pastor.** Conducting the service and Bible class today is Rev. Dr. Dean Rothchild of Cedar Rapids. Pastor Mons and Christine are attending the baptism of their granddaughter, Raelynn Chanel, adopted daughter of Susan and Jackson McCarragher.

St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel and University Center announcing an immediate opening for the position of:

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# Caretaker

St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel and University Center is located at 404 E. Jefferson Street, Iowa City, Iowa, 52245. The chapel is a member congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and serves as the campus ministry at the University of Iowa. The facility is a contributing property in the Jefferson Street historic district.

The Caretaker is responsible for interior cleaning, seasonal lawn and garden work, and other duties as assigned. The Caretaker works approximately 10-15 hours per week and the hours are flexible. However, it is asked that major cleaning take place on Mondays and in preparation for the Sunday services.

To learn more and apply for the position, please contact Trustee Jacob Vogts at jacob.vogts@gmail.com.

# **Upcoming Events!**

21 and Over Crowd meets at Big Grove on Sunday, January 28, at 7:00 PM.

Ice Skating. Saturday, February 3, at 1:00 PM.

## Theologian in Residence – February 23-25, 2024

"Who am I?"

Description: The Answers of Ancient Scripture to Modern (and Post-Modern) Questions: Am I what I feel myself to be? Am I what others tell me that I am? These questions can be asked in a whole variety of ways that include ethnicity, gender, social-class, and the question self-esteem. Using Dietrich Bonhoeffer's poem as a starting-point, we will explore together the answers that Scriptures – and especially (but not only!) the apostle Paul – give to the question, "Who am I?" as it is now being asked in a narcissistic culture.

Presenter: Rev. Dr. Mark A. Seifrid is Senior Professor of Exegetical Theology at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO. He has published major works on justification in the New Testament and a commentary on 2 Corinthians, and is currently writing a commentary on Galatians. He has published numerous articles on Pauline theology and the doctrine of justification — in particular articulating a Lutheran view of justification as drawn from the Pauline Epistles.

Rev. Dr. Seifrid holds a Ph.D. in New Testament from Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, N.J. (1990); and a M.Div. and M.A. from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Ill. (1984). He also holds a B.S. in chemistry from the University of Illinois in Champaign (1975).

Schedule for the weekend:
<u>Friday night, February 23</u>
• 7:00PM Students gather at the chapel for an evening of food and fun

Saturday morning, February 24

- 9:00 AM Matins
- 9:30 12:00 Session 1
- 12:00 PM Lunch.
- 1:00 PM 2:30 PM Session 2
- 2:30 PM Vespers
- Depart

Sunday morning, February 25

- 9:00 AM Divine Service Rev. Dr. Seifrid preaches.
- 10:15 AM Session 3

## **General Information**

**Cry Room**: If you are in need of a place to go with your children during the service, please feel free to use the bell tower. You will still be able to hear the service from there. Also, there is a changing station in the women's bathroom.

**Bulletin Announcements**: If you are in charge of an announcement for an event, please have it to the administrative assistant by 9:00 AM on the Thursday before the first Sunday you would like it to run. E-mail it to stpaulschapel.iowacity@gmail.com

**Lost and Found!** In the student center is a wicker storage cube which is the Chapel's Lost and Found. Any items left in the Chapel will be placed in this container. At the end of each month, the bin will be emptied and its contents will be donated to Good Will. All Chapelites are strongly encouraged to check the Lost and Found periodically so we don't donate something of yours!

**Auto Debit Offering Option:** If you would like to automate or update your existing auto-offering please visit <u>https://stpaulic.com/giving/</u> or speak with Chapel Treasurer Patrick Streit, <u>treasurer.stpaul@gmail.com</u>

## **Calendar**

28 Today	Divine Service at 9:00 AM Happy Hour Bible class 21 and Over Crowd at 7:00 PM, Big Grove, Iowa City
31 Wednesday	Vespers at 7:00 PM Bible class at 7:30 PM
3 Saturday	Ice Skating at 1:30 PM
4 Sunday	Divine Service at 9:00 AM Happy Hour Bible class

Private absolution is available by appointment.

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