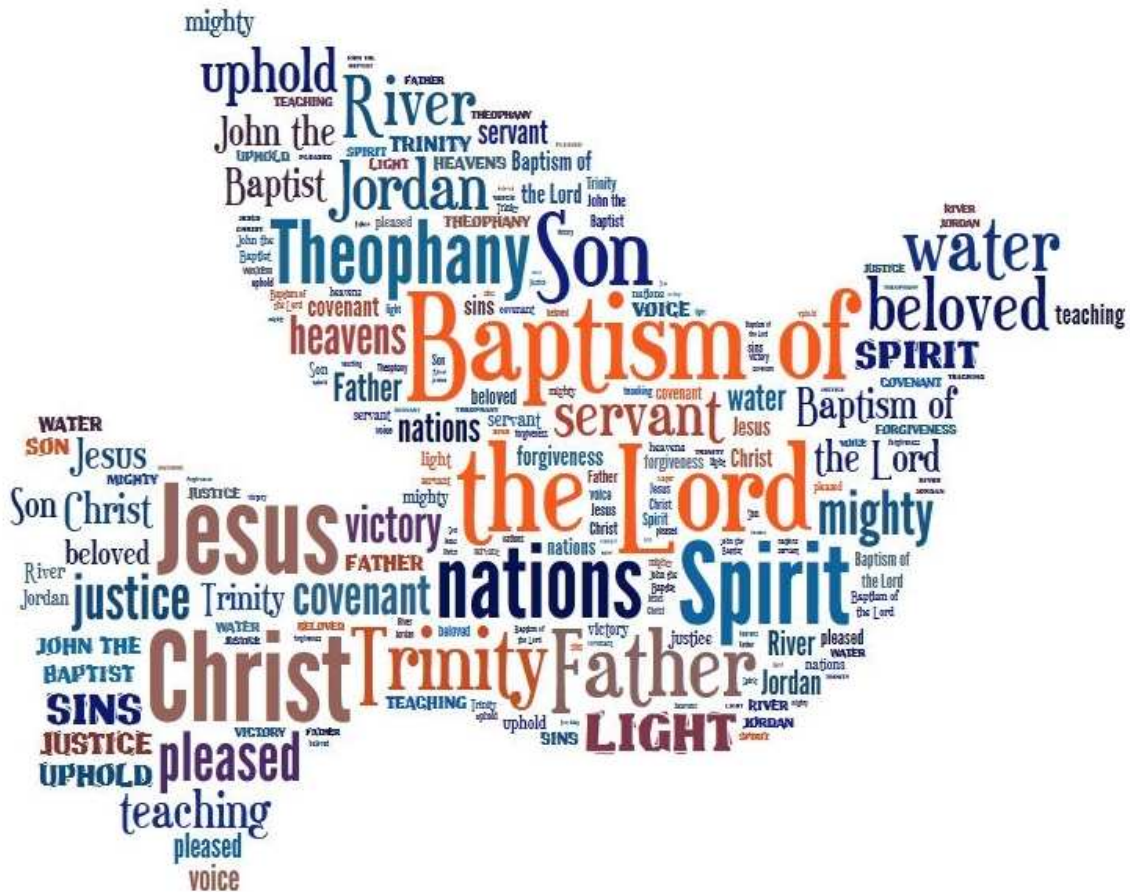


St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Kinder Place

(The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod)



210 East Pleasant Street
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin 53066
Church Office: 262-567-5001 Website: www.splco.org

Worship Schedule: *Saturday 5:30 pm * Sunday 8:00 am Traditional *
* Sunday 10:30 am Contemporary *

St. Paul's Mission Statement: "Reaching, Serving and Growing Disciples"

January 7th & 8th, 2017

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
Rev. Steven Scharnell, Associate Pastor
Rev. Paul Borgman, Pastor Emeritus
Jonathon Pickelmann, Principal
Volume 23

Adam Tanney, Youth Director
Diane Bleke, Organist/Choir Director
Christine Flores, Kinder Place Director

Office Hours - 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Number 2

WELCOME to everyone, especially our guests.
Your presence is important to us.

St. Paul's is an evangelical Christian congregation, embracing historic Christian teaching on all doctrines, centered on Jesus Christ. Our desire is to bring the Gospel both to those who are searching for answers to the meaning of life and to those who desire a closer relationship with God. We here at St. Paul's have chosen to align ourselves with the teachings of the Lutheran Reformation, due to the clarity with which these help us to see the true meaning of God's Word. Specifically, St. Paul's is a ministry of the Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod, one of America's truly biblical churches!

- **Members and guests:** please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate to indicate your presence today. For Holy Communion, please read our confession and indicate your agreement with our beliefs by checking the box next to the names of those communing.
- Those sharing our beliefs, especially from parishes in fellowship with us, are welcome to receive.
- If you desire Holy Communion but hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, please speak with a Pastor or an Elder.
- Non-communing, baptized children are welcome to come to the table for a blessing.

Please note: Half the inner circle of individual glasses in each tray contains water with **one drop** of communion wine for those hesitant to drink larger amounts of wine. Those glasses with wine are rose in color.

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Come to worship. As the prelude begins, worshippers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare to enter into the experience of worship.

Pastor Emeritus: John Kelling

Theme: *Just as Jesus Promised*

Traditional Worship

Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service 2, pg. 167

Contemporary Worship

Special Order

BIBLE STUDIES

A Walk Through the Bible

567-5001 Sun. - 9:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Salvation

567-8195 Tues. - 7:00 p.m. Muecke's Home

The **radio broadcast** is sponsored by a member in praise to God for blessings received. St. Paul's 8:00 am church service can be heard Sunday over WTKM (104.9 FM) and worldwide at wtkm.com.

REACHING DISCIPLES

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

Our Creator's kindness declares even lives impaired by frailty (Isaiah 42:3) or compromised by failure (Matthew 3:5-6) to be precious. He who has given each one breath (Isaiah 42:5) assures them in Christ Jesus, "Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights" (Isaiah 42:1), and "This is my beloved [child], with whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 3:17). Their mistakes and mortality do not define them (Romans 6:4, 11). *Heavenly Father, order our minds and our lives according to Your forgiveness. Amen.*

SERVING DISCIPLES

LCMS STEWARDSHIP SENTENCES

Matthew 3:15 But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. So here Jesus plunges Himself into our sins and soaks them up in His baptism, so that in our baptism we might be cleansed and renewed. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. All our offerings back to our Lord are in thanksgiving for this One Great, True Offering.

GROWING DISCIPLES

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

Sunday, January 8th - No SNA due to the Boys' Warrior Classic.

Sunday, January 22nd @ 6-7:30 - High School SNA

More information about future youth events to come soon!

Feel free to contact Wendy Petersen at wnpetersen@gmail.com or Adam Tanney at adam@splco.org if you have any questions about youth group or upcoming events.

SENIOR ADULT BIBLE STUDY

As we enter into the New Year, we are again reminded of God's great promise to all generations of a Savior to redeem us from our sin and provide for us a place in heaven. In our journey through the "Aging Gracefully" period of our lives, we see and sense more of God's fulfillment in that promise. All are welcomed to join us for this "soup & sandwich" Bible Study as we take a look at the journey God is providing for us and its eternal fulfillment in the loving and waiting arms of our Savior.

Led by Pastor Kelling

Wednesday afternoons January 11-February 22 in Room #219 from 12:00-1:30

Soup and coffee will be provided. Bring a sandwich and enjoy the fellowship!

St. Paul's Fellowship Coffee Hour



January 15!

Hosted by St. Paul's Ladies Aid

(Mark your calendars for the 3rd Sunday of Every Month!)

Time: 9:15 am to 10:25 am

Stay after the 8am Service!

Come a little early for the 10:30 Service!

Where: St. Paul's school lobby & hallway **or** outside by the lobby doors on sunny days

Welcome new members & visitors!

Enjoy the fellowship of our church members!

Coffee, milk, juice, water and sweet treats will be served

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
The Baptism of Our Lord: *Just as Jesus Promised*
January 8—January 15, 2017

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

Invocation

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

Apostles' Creed

Verse: Matthew 7:7-8 Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

Psalm: Psalm 85 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB, p. 304**

	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Daily Psalms								
Morning	19	136	123	15	36	130	56	67
Evening	81, 113	97, 112	30, 86	48, 4	80, 27	32, 139	100, 62	46, 93

Catechism—The Lord’s Prayer—Seventh Petition & Conclusion

<p><i>The Lord’s Prayer (Seventh Petition)</i> But deliver us from evil</p>	Preschool +
<p><i>What does this mean?</i> We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.</p>	2 nd Grade +
<p><i>The Lord’s Prayer (Conclusion)</i> For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen</p>	Preschool +
<p><i>What does this mean?</i> This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”</p>	3 rd Grade +

The Baptism of Our Lord: *Just as Jesus Promised*

Day	Bible Stories for the Family & School	Daily prayer readings from LSB, p. 299ff.	
Sun.	The Baptism of Our Lord—Matthew 3:13-17	Ezek. 2:1-3:11	Rom. 1:18-32
Mon.	John the Baptist Prepares the Way of the Lord—Matthew 3:1-12	Ezek. 3:12-27	Rom 2:1-16
Tue.	The Baptism of Our Lord—Matthew 3:13-17	Ezek. 18:1-4, 19-32	Rom. 2:17-29
Wed.	Jacob Flees from Laban—Genesis 31:1-21	Ezek. 33:1-20	Rom. 3:1-18
Thur.	Laban Pursues Jacob—Genesis 31:22-42	Ezek. 34:1-24	Rom. 3:19-31
Fri.	Laban’s Covenant with Jacob—Genesis 31:43-55	Ezek. 36:13-28	Rom. 4:1-25

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul’s
 Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul's

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday:** *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
- Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*
- Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday:** *Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.*
- Friday:** *Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

In Our Prayers this Week

Those sick or hospitalized: MEMBERS – Kaylyn Nord—broken knee; Larry Hansen; Bill & Margaret Voss—Shorehaven rehab; August Fortmann; Ken Groenke; Trent Heinzl; Alex Knebel—recovering from severe burns; Tim Bratz; Laura Gruen—brain cancer; Pastor Borgman; Esther Hart; Louise Lang; Marguerite Schneider; Ethan Meyer—brain tumor; Mabel Fredrick; Agnes Thurow; Alice Feldschneider; Linda Hansen (Steve's wife); Marian Faltersack; Iris Jahnke; Rick Ware; Ed Krelwitz; Harry & Dorothy Peterson (Shorehaven); Barb Krug; Crystal Parker.

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Mike—cancer in bones; Dawn Hirn—ovarian cancer; Kathe Keithley—breast cancer; Ron Olson (Laura Rohowetz's father); Roy Hyatt—cancer returned; Daina Boppr—breast cancer; Quinn—breast cancer; Isiah Butler—Lymphoma; Dan Rogers (Jon Schmeling's brother-in-law)—bladder cancer; Julie; Joanne Montanegro-Greinke; Michael Graham; Jenny Lemke (friend of the Uttech's); Kayla (7 years-old)—brain cancer; Cheri (Tina Gartzke's friend); Linda F—breast cancer; Jack Anderson; Kim B.—breast cancer; Brian Keller; Jeanie; Karen Peskie (Mike & Cheryl Reiner's sister-in-law)—Lymphoma; Lea Acord (Pat Borgman's friend); Donald—bladder cancer; Korbin Berg—colon cancer; Jan; Mike Ball; Jessica; Chris Moha—breast cancer; Amy (Heather Gartzke's friend); Robert Counsell; Pat (Renee Ebert's aunt)—ovarian cancer; Ray Liska; Sue; Jim; Cheri Benz—breast cancer; Cami—healing; Tim—lung cancer; Pastor William Meyer (Don Meyer's brother)—Lymphoma; Dan (stage 4 prostate cancer); Crystal Schultz; Joann Romain—kidney cancer; Ron Rafalski - throat cancer; Nancy—breast cancer; Sarah Beine (stage 4 cancer)

Other: Kelly Braswell (BJ Lavota's sister) - MS; Bob King; Barb Schlomer (Dave's mom)—severe headaches; Steve Matter (Barbara Zimmerman's brother-in-law)—knee-replacement surgery; Dale Berger (Victoria's brother)—recovering from stroke; Cory—healing; Kathy Kraklau (Susan DeWitz's mom)—stroke; Mary—thyroid nodules; Dale Berger—stroke; Brayden Stacey—2 year-old with brain tumor; Henry (Susan Shepherd's dad); Ken; Don; Bruce—open heart surgery;

Curt G.; Donald Ryan (Gail Frosch's dad); Ashlin—stage 4 renal failure; Clem - high calcium heart; Ken (Kathie Ware's twin brother)—congestive heart failure; Kelly; Brian Kloskowski - MS; Logyn (1 1/2 year old)—unknown health issues; Pat—afib; TJ Easley (Dawn Lower's brother-in-law); Mora; Carol Duchow (Dorothy's sister-in-law)—hospice; Fred (Lynda Rades's brother); Lynne Kramer (Susie Meyer's dad); Joel (Tina Gartzke's nephew); Dwain Kline (Jennifer Truchan's grandpa)—Alzheimer's; Clarence; Pam Leimer (Pat Borgman's cousin)—stroke; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan's son)—MS; Kelly Kulas; Charles Tuff (Alzheimer's); Paul Fellin

Those serving in the military-deployed: PFC Nicholas Lang (South Korea); Sgt. Tyler Peartree; Zach Howard, Theresa; Phil Preston; Captain Chad Kelling; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke, Jacob, Brian, Randy, Kyle, Jake, Jeff, Matt, Tom, Brad, Ben, Mike & Rob

Those serving God as missionaries: Christie Nelson (China), Ray Wigdal (China), Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer

Those in need: Our Shut-Ins; the family of Margaret Baumann (Pat Menden's sister), who died; Susan Beles, whose apartment suffered fire/smoke damage; the family of Donald Lemke who died; the Ellenberger family; for children to do well in school, make good choices and succeed in the areas they enjoy; friends of a church member struggling in their marriage; Josh, for help with alcoholism; David; those struggling with addiction—Bob, Andy, George, Dan, Dee; Sarah, Keri.

Birth: Theodore Joseph, baby boy born to Jeremy & Kristin (Hertneky) Guza—December 31st

Birthday: Jan Leonhardt—78th—January 8th

Confirmation: Abigale Phelps—January 8th

Thanksgiving: Ron Olson (Laura Rohowetz's dad) for successful cancer surgery and continued healing

Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

Hymn of the Week: "We Know That Christ Is Raised"

LSB 603

Looking forward to the Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 14/15, 2017
Hymns: 809, 540 (544, 688, 402) 947

In Christ Alone (Pastor O'Donnell)

"The Lord, the Redeemer of Israel" calls forth "his Holy One" (Is. 49:7), Jesus, the Christ, "from the womb" of His mother (Is. 49:1). The incarnate Son of God is revealed as the Savior, not only for Israel but also "as a light for the nations," whose salvation reaches "to the end of the earth" (Is. 49:6). John came "baptizing with water" (John 1:31) to reveal Jesus as "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29) and who glorifies His God and Father by His atoning sacrifice upon the cross. When Jesus was baptized in the waters of the Jordan, the Holy Spirit descended "from heaven like a dove" and "remained on him" (John 1:32). By our Baptism, we are anointed by the same Spirit, adopted by God the Father, and "called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 1:9). Therefore, we "are not lacking in any gift," but we can trust Him who promises to sustain us to the end, "guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 1:7-8).

Scan the QR code with your smartphone to be directed to St. Paul's online giving webpage.



For the most current information on St. Paul's happenings, please visit our website at splco.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS: January 9th – 15th

ADVANCE THE MISSION

REACHING, SERVING & GROWING DISCIPLES

MONDAY January 9 th	Lord's Cupboard Open Pantry (special giveaway due to holiday on Jan. 2) Stephen Ministry Continuing Education	School Hallway Room 201	5:30 pm 7:00 pm
TUESDAY January 10 th	Church Properties Committee Meeting Board of Elders Meeting Praise Team Practice	Room 201 Room 219 Church	6:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY January 11 th	Senior Adult Bible Study Parish Choir 5 Love Languages Bible Study Adult Choir Church Leadership Team Meeting	Room 219 Balcony Room 219 Balcony Room 201	12:00 pm 5:20 pm 6:15 pm 7:20 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY January 12 th	SPLS Girls' Warrior Classic (Basketball) Praise Team Practice	Gym Church	Varied 7:00 pm
FRIDAY January 13 th	SPLS Girls' Warrior Classic (Basketball) Fundraiser for Larry Hansen	Gym Okauchee Legion	Varied 5:00 pm
SATURDAY January 14 th	Journeyman SPLS Girls' Warrior Classic (Basketball) Traditional Worship Service AA Meeting	Maxim's Gym Church Fellowship Hall	7:30 am Varied 5:30 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY January 15 th	Traditional Worship <i>Time to Grow</i> (Sunday School) Adult Bible Study Public School Confirmation Class Contemporary Worship SPLS Girls' Warrior Classic (Basketball)	Church Various Rooms Fellowship Hall Room 219 Church Gym	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am Varied

ATTENDANCE

December 31/January 1

Church Attendance:

New Year's Eve

5:30 pm—122

New Year's Day

8:00 am—52

10:30 am—183

357 Total; 40 visitors; 317 members

**ST. PAUL'S JANUARY EPISTLE IS NOW
AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE AT
SPLCO.ORG.**

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN
We rejoice to have families with small children participating in our worship services. There are baskets available with items that might be helpful for your children behind the back pews.

THIS WEEKEND	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Music Leaders	Diane Bleke	Diane Bleke	In His Light
Special Music	Adult Choir	Adult Choir	
Acolytes	Leann Wolf	Megan Frosch & Makenna Paar	Josie & Annalee Duchow
Altar Guild	Martha Blanck	Barb Hentz	Sarah Neff
Elders	George Menden	Dave Meyer	John Melvin
Greeters	Michelle & Brigitte Schlomer	Don & Harriet Groose (church) Gary Pribnow (school)	Al & Kathy Mueller
Lectors	Barb Brockway	Cheryl Tesch	
Power Point	N/A	N/A	Leah Johnson
Radio	N/A	Cheryl Tesch	N/A
Ushers	Gary Flanagan	Mike Papa	John Melvin

NEXT WEEKEND	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Readings	Isaiah 49:1-7	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	John 1:29-42a
Acolytes	Tyler Flood & Levi Benes	Katie & Kody Watterson	Hannah Tuff & Hannah Showen
Altar Guild	Jamie Stache	Shirley Dibble & Marena Pine	Barb Star
Elders	Rick Zastrow	Bruce Bain	Scott Kalien
Greeters	John & Margie Hertneky	Chuck & Jenny Laabs (church) Jim & Marlene Steinberg (school)	Tom & Denise Showen
Lectors	Russ Meyer	Dorothy Duchow	
Power Point	N/A	N/A	Heather Scheuer
Radio	N/A	Jim Steinberg	N/A
Ushers	Rick Zastrow	Bob Bratz	Scott Kalien

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Isaiah 42:1–9~ESV

Pew Bible pg. 765

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

Romans 6:1–11~ESV

Pew Bible pg. 1199

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 3:13–17~ESV

Pew Bible pg. 1027

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

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