



St. Paul's

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A member of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Receiving and giving the love and hope of Christ

Christ
is
Risen!

Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm traditional • Sunday: 8:00 am traditional

Sunday: 10:30 am contemporary

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

210 E. Pleasant St., Oconomowoc, WI 53066 | 262-567-5001 | www.splco.org

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, School & Early Childhood Center

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
Rev. Steve Scharnell, Associate Pastor
Rev. Paul Borgman, The Church Triumphant
Jill George, Principal
Michelle Oddsen, Deaconess Intern

Amanda Rosenberg, Middle School Youth Director
Adam Tanney, High School Youth Director
Diane Bleke, Organist/Choir Director
Christine Flores, ECC Director

Volume 25

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 4:00 pm

Number 16

Please fill out an attendance card
and place it in the offering plate.

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome! If you are a guest, the following information may help you:

If you have questions, or would like more information about St. Paul's, an usher will be happy to help you.

Please fill out an attendance card, located on the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate.

If you have small children, there are activity bags located behind the back pews that might be helpful for your child.

HOLY COMMUNION

Please read our confession found on page 329-330 of the Lutheran Service Book and indicate your agreement with our beliefs by checking the box next to the names of those communing.

Those who share in our confession of faith of the Lord's Supper are welcome to receive.

If you hold a confession differing from this congregation, please speak with a pastor or elder. Non-communing, baptized children are welcome to come to the table for a blessing. If you are physically unable to come to the table, please let an usher know and the pastor will come to you and give you communion.

Communion Wine

The wine glasses in the center of each tray contain **one drop** of communion wine. The glasses that contain more wine are rose in color.

As the prelude begins, worshipers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare for worship.

April 21, 2019

EASTER SUNDAY

(6am) Pastor: Steve Scharnell
Theme: *A God Who Rises*

(8am) Pastor: Lance O'Donnell
Theme: *A God Who Lives*

Traditional Worship
LSB, Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Contemporary Worship
Special Order

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

5:00 pm – 57 **Total: 492**
 8:00 am – 293 **Members: 451**
 10:30 am – 142 **Visitors: 42**

Scan the QR code and give electronically. This is a safe and easy way to offer your gifts to God.



THIS WEEKEND

	6:00 AM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Music Leaders	Diane Bleke	Diane Bleke	Look2Him
Special Music	Adult Choir	Adult Choir	
Acolytes	Failenn & Brenainn O'Donnell	Adam Boldt & Aidan Truchan	Bobby Edwards & Nadine Tanner
Altar Guild	Jean Fisher	Wendy Tesch	Cheryl Oelsner
Elders	Dave Meyer	Mike Tesch	Mark Thurow
Greeters	John Melvin	Shirley Smart (church) Gary Pribnow (school)	Al & Kathy Mueller
PowerPoint	N/A	N/A	Jamie Stache
Radio	Jim Steinberg	Jim Steinberg	N/A
Ushers	Bob Bratz	Todd Leonhardt	John Melvin

SPONSORS

Radio Broadcast: (6am) St. Paul's Ladies Aid in praise to God for blessings received
 (8am) Gemma Kitzman in loving memory of her parents, Henry & Helen

Our 8:00 am Worship Service is broadcast live on WTKM 104.9 and at wtkm.com

Families with small children:
 There are activity bags located in the back of the church that might be helpful for your child.

Holy Baptism

During the 10:30 am Worship Service, we welcome **Ezra Alan** into St. Paul's church family. He is the son of Alfonso & Christine (Bain) **Flores**. His sponsors are Kevin & Ashley Callan. We will keep Ezra in our prayers.

Flash photography is not allowed during a baptism which takes place during the worship service. The pastor may reenact the baptism after the service for picture-taking opportunities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guitarists needed for summer lakeside worship

We are looking for some musicians to assist with our summer lakeside worship services. These services are held on Wednesday evenings starting at 6:30 pm from June through August. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact the church office at 262.567.5001 or via email at heather@splco.org.

Easter flowers

For those who ordered Easter flowers, you can pick them up after the 10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service on Sunday.

GOVERNANCE MODEL 2019-2020 LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Nominations for any open positions can be sent to Al Mueller at amueller@lhsagm.org or by phone at 262-443-9602.

POSITION		CURRENT	Term Ends	CANDIDATE	Term Ends
President		George Menden	2018	George Menden	2020
Vice President #1		Al Mueller	2018	Al Mueller	2020
Vice President #2		Dave Meyer	2019		
Treasurer		Jon Schmeling	2018	Jon Schmeling	2020
Education Committee, Director		Darren Ratzow	2019		
Operations Committee, Director		Scott Kalien	2019		
Board of Elders	1	Rick Zastrow	2019		
	2	Wilbur Pieper	2019		
	3	Erik Benes	2019		
	4	Todd Leonhardt	2019		
	5	Tom Trueebenbach	2018	Tom Trueebenbach	2020
	6	Arno Kirchenwitz	2018	Arno Kirchenwitz	2020
	7	Mark Thurow	2018	Mark Thurow	2020
	8	Josh Oddsen	2019	Josh Oddsen	2020
	9	Chad Eberhardt	2019		

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Der Lutheraner was the synodical publication printed in German, today known as the **Lutheran Witness**, which included the South Wisconsin District Edition printed in English. It was the **Official Organ of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod**.

A member of St. Paul's found a copy of **Der Lutheraner** that was published in **September 1962**. The following 2 excerpts were included in that month's newsletter. Pledging to Christ is just as relevant today as it was back in 1962.

Everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God, and for these gifts, we give thanks to God. Giving thanks for God's gifts to us is what Stewardship is about. Stewardship can be shown in many ways, through praising the Lord, through weekly offerings, through charity work and so on.

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

Pledge

He said he wouldn't make a pledge
Unto the church at all;
That he would give just when he felt
The urgency – the call.

But still he bought a car and pledged
To pay it off someday.
And then a house in which to live,
And each month he would pay.

He pledged to pay his telephone,
Electric bills, and gas;
He pledged to pay his water bill,
He never let it pass.

He pledged to pay his taxes, too,
Upon his house and lot,
But not one cent he'd ever pledge
Unto Almighty God.

God's Blessings!
Board of Stewardship

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

In 1962, the South Wisconsin District published this excerpt in “**Der Lutheraner**”. This insert was printed in English while the rest of the newsletter put out by the Missouri Synod was written in German.

A Lesson in Stewardship

In every church, in every clime, when there's some work to do,
It's very likely to be done by just the “faithful few.”
Many folks will help to sing, and some are glad to talk,
But when it comes to doing things, a lot of them will balk.

“I can't do this; I can't do that; excuse me, please, this time –
I'd be glad to help you out, but it's not in my line.”
So when the leader looks about for some who'll help to “do,”
He nearly always has to go and ask the “faithful few,”

He knows full well, they're busy too and always hard at work,
Yet he is sure they'll not refuse nor any duty shirk.
They will never stop to make excuse, but always try to do
The very, very best they can to smooth the way for you.

God bless, I pray, the “faithful few,” and may their tribe increase!
They must be very precious to the blessed Prince of Peace.

St. Paul's is in need of people to step forward to help with various tasks. If many come forward to help a little, which leaves not everything to the “faithful few”.

1 Peter 4:10-11 God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.

Please contact the church office at 262-567-5001 – we would love to hear from you!

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

Easter Sunday: (6am) *A God Who Rises*; (8am) *A God Who Lives!*

April 21-28, 2019

A God Who Lives!

On its April 8, 1966 cover, Time magazine asked the then popular question, “Is God dead?” Over 50 years later, many live like that answer is an obvious “Yes.” Moreover, many of us rather actively live like we are our own god, “playing God” with life and death and the world that God created and redeemed. Many of us are frightened by the world, and so are taking things into our own hands. Amidst the fear and godless confidence of our age the angels’ answer to the frightened women at Jesus’ tomb is still a siren call: “Why do you seek the living among the dead?” (Luke 24:5, ESV) Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. He lives! That fact changes everything. That perfect love casts out fear. (1 Jn 4.18) So, we can marvel at the resurrection for a while, as Peter did (Lk 24.12), but since Jesus lives, we too live... in this world and toward the world to come. (Isa 65.17)

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.

Christ-Centered Theme: Because Christ lives, through faith, we too live.

Apostles’ Creed

Verse: Job 19:25-26 I know *that* my Redeemer lives, and He shall stand at last on the earth; and after my skin is destroyed, this *I know*, that in my flesh I shall see God.

Psalm: Psalm 29 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB, p. 304**

Daily Psalms	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Morning	93	97	98	99	47	96	92	93
Evening	136, 117	124, 115	66, 116	8, 118	68, 113	50, 138	23, 114	136;117

The Catechism: Table of Duties— *To Husbands: 1 Peter 3:7; Colossians 3:19*

Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, And treat them with respect as the weaker partner And as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, So that nothing will hinder your prayers 1 Peter 3:7	1 st Grade +
Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them. Colossians 3:19	1 st Grade +

Easter Sunday: (6am) *A God Who Rises; (8am) A God Who Lives!*

Day	Bible Stories for the Family & School	Daily prayer readings from LSB, p. 299	
Sun.	The Resurrection of Our Lord—John 20:1-18	Ex. 20:1-24	Luke 4:1-15
Mon.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Ex. 22:20-23:13	Luke 4:16-30
Tue.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Ex. 23:14-33	Luke 4:31-44
Wed.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Ex. 24:1-18	Luke 5:1-16
Thur.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Ex. 25:1-22	Luke 5:17-39
Fri.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Ex. 31:1-18	Luke 6:1-19

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

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

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—Chad Eberhardt; Ken Dinnauer; Ann Duggan; Wilbur Pieper; Barb Pieper; Carolyn Pankow—Shorehaven; Peggy Lauber—liver and bone cancer; Shirley Dibble—cancer; Laura Gruen—brain tumor; Lucille Campbell—cancer treatment; Mary Buss—cancer; Marilyn Marohn; Katie Waldorf; Glenn Gartzke—Melanoma; Larry Hansen; Timothy John Bratz—cancer; Bill & Margaret Voss; Ken Groenke; Mabel Fredrick; Linda Hansen (Steve's wife); Rick Ware—healing from knee surgery; Crystal Parker

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Garth Kraemer (Matt Dinnauer's uncle)—cancer diagnosis; John Henke (Skye's dad)—stage IV Melanoma; Fran Meyer (Chris Hesse's aunt)—Multiple Myeloma; Tanya Schoenberger (Richie & Lucy Fredrick's daughter)—breast cancer; Betty (Heather Scheuer's aunt); Erin (Mileager)—Rayborn—Hodgkins Lymphoma; Mark Jorgenson—pancreatic cancer; Barbara Rankin—brain cancer; Mary Sprague—breast cancer; Sandy—kidney cancer; Debra Thurow (Dona's daughter); Kathy Berkbigler (Pat Borgman's cousin)—breast cancer; Beth—Lymphoma; Tom—stage 3 bladder cancer; Mike—bone cancer; Roy Hyatt—cancer returned; Quinn—breast cancer; Kim B.—breast cancer; Jeanie; Karen Peskie (Mike & Cheryl Reiner's sister-in-law)—Lymphoma; Dan (stage-four prostate cancer); Crystal Schultz; Joann Romain—kidney cancer; Ron Rafalski—throat cancer; Nancy—breast cancer

Other: Julia Benzel; David Vanclave; David Giese—brain surgery; Charlene—hit by a car; Chuck—memory issues; Fred Storm (Lynda Rades's brother); Fred Storm (Lynda Rades's father); Luigi Guadagno (Celeste Abel's dad)—recovering from a fall; Joyce Litzau—hospice; Brennan; Charlie (3 year-old)—victim of child abuse; Dan George (Jamie's brother)—awaiting liver transplant; Charlie Vitrano—open heart surgery; Ray Kugler (Crystal Parker's friend); Audrey (Sheila Rams' sister)—Alzheimer's; Yvonne (Sheila Rams sister)—stroke; Gracie Brehm; John Meisenheimer; Sharon—circulation problems; Rev. William Meyer; Merita Dinnauer; Sue Jansen (Shirley Dibble's niece); Bob Back (friend of Scharnell's)—Lou Gehrig's disease; Anna Mae (George Urban's mother)—hospice; Jeffery Barney; Gail Albright; Dan; Karen Nicholson; Armin Tessmann—strength in walking; Shawn—vascular problems; Doug—CCL; Barb (Dave Schlomer's mom)—severe headaches; Sharon—probiotic/kidney problems; Pat—afib; Joel (Tina Gartzke's nephew); Clarence; Pam; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan's son)—MS; Paul Fellin

Those serving in the military-deployed: Justin Michener; Zach Howard, Theresa; Phil Preston; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke, Jacob, Brian, Randy, Kyle, Jake, Jeff, Matt, 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; Alli—suffering from severe depression; Richard & Judy; a member struggling with anxiety and depression; Teddy; David; those struggling with addiction—Bob, Andy, George, Dan, Dee; Sarah, Keri, Sam

Baptism: Ezra Alan, son of Alfonso & Christine (Bain) Flores—April 21st

Thanksgiving: Nicki – young mother who received a heart transplant

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

Hymn of the Week: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

LSB 461

Looking forward to the Second Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2019

Hymns: 487, 470 (472, 480, 474) 482

A God with Flesh and Bone (Pastor O'Donnell)

Life in the body can be challenging: injuries, sickness, decay... but the resurrection of Jesus gives us hope. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God, the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last. (Rev 1.8) He died for all people, and behold, He is alive forevermore! He is the Living One, "the firstborn of the dead" (Rev. 1:5). He is—and ever will be—God-in-the-flesh. His bodily resurrection not only opened the kingdom of heaven to us, but here-and-now it is a call to live—in the body—toward the life to come. This, in fact, is why His Word is written, that you may "believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God," that by such faith "you may have life in his name" (John 20:31).

St. Paul's Lutheran School

1st Grade Happenings

This is the time of the year when first graders are making great strides to be 2nd graders. All the students are reading well and enjoy partnering up to read to each other.

In math, we have just finished a unit in counting coins up to \$1.00 and telling time to the hour and half hour on both analog and digital clocks, as well as elapsed time. They are getting very good at announcing how long it is until recess and lunch!

Most importantly, first graders have been hearing the accounts of the events of Holy Week. They had a "hosanna parade" with rhythm instruments instead of palm branches. They orally read about the Last Supper, and Jesus praying in the Garden of Gethsemane while his close friends slept. They acted out when Jesus was before Pilate, and the crowd shouted, "Crucify Him!" and learned of Peter's denial of Jesus. Finally, after hearing about Jesus dying on the cross, they made a cross silhouette art project.

In anticipation of the victory celebration of Easter, the children grew "Easter grass" with an empty cross:

"There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall,
Where our dear Lord was crucified, who died to save us all."

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Happy Easter from the First Grade and Mrs. Kelling



Mission Statement: *Helping God's children grow to be energetic servant leaders for HIM through love, respect, and a commitment to excellence.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention ladies:

We will again be collecting hard candy (suggestions: peppermint, ginger, root beer and lemon drops) at the Mother-Daughter-Friend Banquet for Tricia's Troop Cancer Connection. They put together chemo bags for those starting chemotherapy in Waukesha County Hospitals. The hard candy helps with dry mouth. In 2017 we collected 33 pounds of hard candy for them. Last year we collected 80 pounds. Let's see if we can collect even more this year. They are very appreciative of our help. Thank you.

Angela Bleke vocal recital

Come see Angela Bleke's benefit recital on Sunday, April 28th, at 5:30 pm here at St. Paul's Church. This brief 30 minute concert will feature the works of Mozart, Puccini, Rachmaninoff, Menotti and Amy Beach! This is a freewill offering recital to raise money for Angela to attend an educational, youth summer opera program in Italy, called *La Musica Lirica*. Anyone is welcome to attend and enjoy some music! Any freewill donations are welcome to help her allocate this cost, and will receive documentation for tax deductions. Please come to support her and hear beautiful music!

Guide Book & Directory advertising opportunity

We have partnered with Guide Book Publishing to provide a Guide Book & Directory for our congregation that we will update & publish annually. This book is delivered directly to every member at no cost to our congregation. Local businesses are being solicited to advertise in the book, but we want to make sure our members have first access to prime locations in this new directory.

This is a great opportunity for your business because our members prefer to support businesses that support our congregation. Recent results of a survey taken by GBP show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize an advertiser over a non-advertiser and 70.9% consciously look to see who is advertising. If you are interested in advertising in our new Guide Book & Directory, please call the office at 262-567-5001. Thank you for your support!

Update membership information

Does our church database have YOUR family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so).

It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred over the past year. So...Have you changed your phone number? Moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home, and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the church office (262.567.5001) about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the new Guide Book & Directory is correct. Thank you!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY April 22	NO SCHOOL/OFFICE CLOSED		
TUESDAY April 23	Financial Oversight Committee Meeting Praise Team Practice	Room 201 Church	7:00 pm 7:30 pm
WEDNESDAY April 24	Constitution & Bylaws Committee Meeting Adult Choir	Room 219 Balcony	6:30 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY April 25	Praise Team Practice	Church	7:00 pm
SATURDAY April 27	Journeymen Traditional Worship Service AA Meeting	Maxim's Church Fellowship Hall	7:30 am 5:00 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY April 28	Traditional Worship Service Public School Confirmation Time to Grow (Sunday School) Adult Bible Study Contemporary Worship Service	Church Room 219 Meet in Gym Fellowship Hall Church	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am

BIBLE STUDIES

Adult Bible Study

Sunday: 9:15 am - Fellowship Hall
262-567-5001

Women of Joy

Saturday (1st & 3rd) - 8:00 am
Whelan's

Journeymen

Saturday (2nd & 4th) - 7:30 am
Maxim's

NEXT WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Readings	Acts 5:12–20	Rev. 1:4–18	John 20:19–31
Acolytes	Gabby Meyer	Mason Paar	Mia Thurow
Altar Guild	Martha Blanck	Donna Andrus	Sarah Neff
Elders	Wilbur Pieper	Bruce Bain	Jon Schmeling
Greeters	Michelle & Brigitte Schlomer	Jim & Judy Braatz (church) Jim & Marlene Steinberg (school)	Tom & Denise Showen
Lectors	Erik Benes	Cheryl Tesch	
Power Point	N/A	N/A	Heather Scheuer
Radio	N/A	Cheryl Tesch	N/A
Ushers	Wilbur Pieper	Gary Flanagan	Truman Seifert

April 28, 2019

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Pastor: Lance Armstrong O'Donnell

Theme: A God with Flesh and Bone

Traditional Worship

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Contemporary Worship

Special Order

READINGS FOR EASTER SUNRISE (6am)

Job 19:23–27

“Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!”

1 Corinthians 15:51–57

Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: “Death is swallowed up in victory.” “O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 20:1–18

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that he had said these things to her.

READINGS FOR THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD (8am & 10:30am)

Isaiah 65:17–25

“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent’s food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,” says the LORD.

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Luke 24:1–12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.