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Weekly Announcements

April 6, 2025



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Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lord's Cupboard Egg Fundraiser

Thank you so very much for your generosity! We raised \$2,564.00. This will help in purchasing eggs for our LC guests for the next few months. Our guests are grateful as are our volunteers. Please continue to pray for our LC guests and for our dedicated volunteers. And if you have any plastic grocery bags and/or paper grocery bags, we always appreciate receiving them. Thank you again for supporting this needed outreach to our community!

Life Thoughts in the Church Year



**LUTHERANS
FOR LIFE**

The Lord our God forms persons and peoples for Himself (Isaiah 43:21). Our lives and every neighbor's body belong to the Almighty Maker. He intends each one not only for survival but for salvation in the resurrection from the dead (Philippians 3:10). This

means we get to receive all humankind's members as gifts and privileges and treat them as inestimably precious.

St. Paul's Youth Group

April Events

- April 6th HS Youth Group 7-8:30 pm
- April 13th Deliver Easter Food bags after the 10:30am service
- April 13th MS Youth Group 5:30-7pm; HS Youth Group 7-8:30pm
- April 19th Easter Breakfast Set-Up
- April 20th Easter Breakfast/NO YOUTH GROUP
- April 27th END OF THE YEAR FUN - MS & HS Bowling after 10:30 service

Palm Sunday processional from the Village Green

On Palm Sunday, for the 8am service, we wave the palms and remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Weather-permitting, we will begin our Palm Sunday on April 13, 2025 on Oconomowoc's "Village Green." God-willing, about 7:45 a.m. we will begin singing our "songs of ascent" as we follow the cross "up to the house of the Lord" for the beginning of our Holy Week.



Luke 20:16 – “He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.’ When they heard this, they said, ‘Surely not!’ ” The crowds were shocked at Jesus' parable because they took the grace of God for granted. They never thought that God

would actually take “the vineyard” away from them. But we only have access to God by faith. And we can drive faith and the Holy Spirit away. That is the warning of the parable. The Lord has graciously given us His Kingdom. Let us not take it for granted but instead respond with humble thanksgiving!

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Midweek Lenten Worship Service

Wednesday at 12:15pm & 6:30pm (6:15pm Hymn Sing)

5pm meal in the Fellowship Hall for a freewill offering

† April 9

Honest Repentance: SALVATION

Meal: Pork sandwiches, sides, desserts and beverages

Sponsored by the Board of Elders

Holy Week & Easter Worship Services

† April 14, 15, 16

Holy Week Worship Services

12:15pm & 6:30pm

† April 17

Maundy Thursday Worship Services

12:15pm & 6:30pm

† April 18

Good Friday Worship Services

12:15pm: Chief Worship Service

8pm: Tenebrae Service of Darkness

† April 19

Holy Saturday Worship Services

12:15pm: Holy Saturday Worship

8pm: Easter Vigil

† April 20

Easter Sunday Worship Services

6:00am: Easter Sunrise Divine Worship

8:00am & 10:30am: Easter Divine Worship

(Easter Breakfast will be served from 7-10:00am)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2025-2026 CANDIDATES FOR LEADERSHIP and BOARD POSITIONS

POSITION	CURRENT	Term Ends	CANDIDATE	Term Ends
President	Dan Eifert	2026	Dan Eifert	2026
Vice President #1	John Nelson	2026	John Nelson	2026
Vice President #2	Cheryl Tesch	2025	Paul Junio	2027
Treasurer	Warren Weaver	2026	Warren Weaver	2026
Secretary **	Tim Mueller	2025	Tim Mueller	2027
Board of Elders	Jim Juneau	2025	Jim Juneau	2027
	Arno Kirchenwitz	2025	Arno Kirchenwitz	2026
	Chuck Laabs	2026	Chuck Laabs	2026
	Dave Meyer***	2026	Dave Meyer	2026
	Jerad Luedtke	2026	Jerad Luedtke	2026
	Ryan Schneider	2025	Ryan Schnieder	2027
	Tom Showen	2026	Tom Showen	2026
	Patrick Smith	2025	Pat Smith	2027
	Mike Stollenwerk	2025	Mike Stollenwerk	2026
	Rick Zastrow	2025	Rick Zastrow	2027
			Neil Anderson	2027
			Matt Dinnauer	2027
Board of Education (Only the director is elected the other members are appointed and listed here to be recognized.)	Kurt Ahrens, Dir	2025	Open	2027
	Mark Baganz	2025	Mark Baganz	2027
	Todd Blair - Parent Member	2025	Open	2027
	Tim Krause	2025	Tim Krause	2027
	Leah Johnson	2025	Leah Johnson	2027
	Rob Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2025	Rob Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2027
	Angie Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2025	Angie Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2027
Board of Operations (Only the director is elected the other members are appointed and listed here to be recognized.)	Glenn Leidel, Co-Dir	2025	Glenn Leidel, Co-Dir	2027
	Paul Shanks, Co-Dir	2025	Paul Shanks, Co-Dir	2027
	Pat Borgman	2025	Pat Borgman	2027
	Gary Flanagan	2025	Gary Flanagan	2027
	Dan Friedrich	2025	Dan Friedrich	2027
	Brett Helwig	2025	Brett Helwig	2027
	John Hertneky	2025	John Hertneky	2027
	Margie Hertneky	2025	Margie Hertneky	2027
	George Menden	2025	Open	2027
	Joel Tesch	2025	Joel Tesch	2027
	Tim Mueller (CLT rep)	2025	Tim Mueller (CLT rep)	2027

** The congregation secretary is an appointed position by the CLT and is on the slate to be recognized

***Dave Meyer is the current director of the board but his term, as director is finished after June 30th; the Elder's elect the director from amongst their ranks.

If you would like to nominate someone for a Board or are interested in joining, please email john.nelson@splco.org with the nominee's name, phone number and/or email address and the board they are to be nominated Nominations will be taken through April 28, 2025.

Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
The Fifth Sunday in Lent: *Press on in Christ*
April 6 – 13, 2025

Press on in Christ

Christians should not be under any illusion about what they're up against, for the spiritual descendants of those who thought they could steal the throne of God by destroying his Son (See Lk 20.9-20) are still at work, even though He conquered them by His death and resurrection. Indeed, because we have Christ's promises, we "remember not the former things." (Isa 43.18) We "press on" toward our goal: resurrection. (See Phil 3.8-14) Thus, we can say with the psalmist, "Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!" (Ps 126.5)

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

Christ-Centered Theme: In Christ we press on toward our goal: resurrection.

Verse: Romans 8:18 I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Psalm: Psalm 43 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB**, p. 304

Catechism—Table of Duties—Of Citizens: Matthew 22:21; Romans 13:5-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-3; Titus 3:1; 1 Peter 2:13-14

Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's. Matthew 22:21	1 st Grade +
It is necessary to submit to the authorities, Not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, Who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes, if revenue, then revenue, If respect, then respect, if honor, then honor. Romans 13:5-7	3 rd Grade +
I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving Be made for everyone - for kings and all those in authority, That we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior. 1 Timothy 2:1-3	2 nd Grade +
Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, To be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good. Titus 3:1	1 st Grade +
Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake To every authority instituted among men: Whether to the king, as the supreme authority, or to governors, Who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong And to commend those who do right. 1 Peter 2:13-14	4 th Grade +

The Fifth Sunday in Lent: *Press on in Christ*

Day	Bible Stories for Families with Young Children	Readings for Adults & Older Children	
Sun.	Elijah Is Taken to Heaven: 2 Kings 2	Psalm 84, 42, 32	Luke 20.9-20
Mon.	Naaman and Elisha: 2 Kings 5	Psalm 119:73-80, 121, 6	2 Sm 1:1-2:32
Tue.	The Three Men in the Fiery Furnace: Daniel 3	Psalm 34, 25j, 91	2 Sm 3:1-4:12
Wed.	The Lord Leaves the Temple: Ezek. 8; 10-11; 36	Psalm 5, 27, 51	2 Sm 5:1-25
Thur.	Jehoiachin's New Clothes: 2 Kings 24-25	Psalm 38, 126, 102	2 Sm 6:1-23
Fri.	Daniel in the Lion's Den: Daniel 6	Psalm 22. 107, 130	2 Sm 7:1-29
Sat.	Sunday's Gospel Reading: Luke 19.29-40	Psalm 43, 31, 143	2 Sm 8:1-10:19

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

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 – Pauline Bemis; Bob Bratz; Bob Reddelien; Vernon Schilling; Ian McMillan; Janet Dahm; Joanne Kullman; Carol Fellin—cancer care; Jim Braatz; William Kuebler—cancer; Dorothy Duchow; Bruce Bojko—cancer; Ruth Polcha; Bill Anderson; John Lindemann; Gary Flanagan; Virginia Meintz; Belle Romback; Nancy Wolter; Don Meyer—cancer; Ann Duggan; Jim Duggan; Marilyn Marohn; Sally Eubanks; Dick Allen; Truman Seifert—acute myeloid leukemia; Carolyn Nagel—lung cancer; Don Schmitt; Karen Meyer—cancer; George Menden—prostate cancer; Diane Gartzke—post traumatic stress disorder; Stan Kuehl; Marian Faltersack; Michael Stollenwerk; Marilyn Runyard; Marcus Pankow—in-home hospice; Linda Leidel; Lucille Campbell—cancer treatment

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – **Those with cancer:** Dana—recent cancer diagnosis; Marna—liver cancer; Daniel (Bill Merten's brother); Curt Duchow (Dorothy's son)—mantle cell lymphoma; Rhonda—breast cancer; Hailey—13 year-old w/ brain tumor; JoyAnn; Dan Faltersack—COPD; Jeff—stage four colon cancer; Dick Watt; Betty Dow (Linda Uttech's cousin)—Leukemia; Jeff—non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; Jayne Roberts' husband—lymphoma; Cheech Counsell (Dona Thurow's son—

in-law); Tyler; Christopher—cancer; Tanner—2 year-old with cancer; Missy (Sheila Ram’s niece)—breast cancer; Dawn—lung cancer; Jim (Jackie Meyer’s dad); Jim (Laura Grubba’s brother-in-law); Phyllis; Mike; Elizabeth—breast cancer; Kayla—thyroid cancer; Erin (Mileager)—Rayborn—Hodgkins Lymphoma; Mary Sprague—breast cancer; Debra Thurow (Dona’s daughter); Kathy Berkbigler (Pat Borgman’s cousin)—breast cancer; Ron Rafalski—throat cancer; Nancy—breast cancer

Other: Tom (Jamie Stache’s boyfriend)—stroke; Dorothy—Alzheimer’s; Trish Lederer—vision issues; Patricia Eberhardt (Chad’s mom); Brent (Barb Allwardt’s brother)—Alzheimer’s; Cindy Counsell (Dona Thurow’s daughter)—massive stroke; Paul; Bob; George; Paul; Liz Peronto (Barb Allwardt’s sister); Doug—CCL; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan’s son)—MS; Paul Fellin

Those serving in the military-deployed: Trevor Thiel – Alaska (Fort JBER); Joe; Sam Duggan; 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: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump & family; Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer; Rev. Ted Krey, Deaconess, Tirzah Krey in the Dominican Republic; all seminary students in the Dominican Republic, and all other pastors and missionaries in Latin America

Those in need: Our Shut-Ins; Sam—a young man struggling to make good choices; those struggling with addiction; Jennifer; Brian; David

Lord’s Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism
Hymn of the Week: My Song is Love Unknown LSB 430

Looking forward to Palm Sunday
Hymns: 442, 335 (443, 343, 441) 444

April 13, 2025

The Way of Salvation (Pastor O’Donnell)

If Jesus, the Eternal Son of God, could have saved the world with a shout from the heavens, He would have. Instead, to “vindicate His people,” (Dt 32.36) He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. “And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” (Phil 2.8, ESV)

From the adulation of the crowds at the beginning of Holy Week (Lk 19.29-40) to His betrayal, mockery, abandonment, and death, Jesus walked the Way, that we might be restored to God, body and soul.

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY April 7	Lord's Cupboard Drive-Thru	Parking Lot	5:30 pm
TUESDAY April 8	Board of Operations Meeting Board of Elders Meeting	Room 201 Room 202	5:30 pm 6:00 pm
WEDNESDAY April 9	Caring Through Sharing Lenten Worship Lenten Meal Lenten Hymn Sing Lenten Worship	Room 219 Church Fellowship Hall Church Church	11:00 am 12:15 pm 5:00 pm 6:15 pm 6:30 pm
THURSDAY April 10	Ladies Aid Church Choir Rehearsal Praise Team Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall Church Church	5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
SATURDAY April 12	Journeymen Divine Worship AA Meeting	Maxim's Church Fellowship Hall	7:30 am 5:00 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY April 13	Divine Worship Public School Confirmation Sunday School Life Application Bible Study Divine Worship Youth Group Deliver Easter Food Bags Parent Partnership Workshop Middle School Youth Group High School Youth Group	Church Room 219 Meet in Gym Fellowship Hall Church Meet in Lobby Fellowship Hall Room 219Y/Gym Room 219Y/Gym	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 11:45 am 5:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm

BIBLE STUDIES

Life Application 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

Sunday School

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Preaching and Perils

Bible Truth: The Holy Spirit empowers and guards us.
Acts 20:1-12; 2 Corinthians 11:22-28

NEXT WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Readings	Deut 32.36-39	Phil 2.5-11	Lk 19.29-40
Acolytes	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	Michelle Wilson	Pam Kroupa	Marcie Nelson
Elders	Jim Juneau	Arno Kirchenwitz	Erik Benes
Greeters	Dan Maynard	Duane & Sharon Peterson Bruce & Mary Bojko	Al Mueller
Live-Stream	N/A	Grace Schockman Brenainn O'Donnell	N/A
Radio	N/A	Jim Juneau	N/A
Ushering Team	Gary Flanagan	Joel Tesch	Erik Benes

APRIL 13, 2025

PALM SUNDAY

Pastor: Lance Armstrong O'Donnell

Theme: *The Way of Salvation*

5pm & 8am Worship

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10:30am Worship

Special Order

ST. PAUL'S STAFF

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
Allison Mackie, Director of Parish Music
Jill George, Principal

Rev. Jason Schockman, Associate Pastor
Christine Flores, ECC Director

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 3:30 pm (Monday-Friday)

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 43:16–21

Thus says the Lord,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings forth chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
“Remember not the former things,
nor consider the things of old.
Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild beasts will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches,
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
that they might declare my praise.”

Epistle: Philippians 3:8–14

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one

thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Holy Gospel: Luke 20:9–20

[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely not!” But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’?

Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.



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

- + Please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate.
- + As the prelude begins, worshipers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare for worship.

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome! We’re delighted that you’ve joined us for worship.

If you have questions, or would like more information about St. Paul’s, a greeter, elder, or pastor 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.

We welcome young children to the service. Try sitting closer to the front by a side aisle. There are activity bags located behind the back pews, and a simulcast downstairs if necessary.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord’s Supper is not a private meal, but a body-and-soul communion with Christ and His body, the Church. In keeping with the Lord’s instruction (cf. 1 Corinthians 11.17-34) and with the common historical practice of the church, St. Paul’s welcomes only those who are in full confessional agreement to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. If you hold a confession differing from The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod or are not yet confirmed in our confession of faith, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing (Please indicate by folding your hands over your heart.). If you are physically unable to come forward, please let an usher know and the pastor will come to you and give you communion. Those communing should mark this on the attendance card. If you have questions, our pastors will be pleased to speak with you.

Distribution and Communion Wine

Please place open hands out to receive the Body of Christ and also to indicate whether you are receiving the Blood of Christ from the common cup or the individual cup. The wine glasses in the center of each tray contain **one drop** of communion wine. The glasses that contain more wine are dark in color.

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE

5:00 pm – 100

8:00 am – 131

10:30 am – 125

Total: 356

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THOSE SERVING THIS WEEKEND

	5pm	8am	10:30am
Liturgist	Ps. Schockman	Ps. Schockman	Ps. Schockman
Preacher	Ps. O’Donnell	Ps. O’Donnell	Ps. O’Donnell
Musicians	Allison Mackie	Allison Mackie	Praise Team
Acolytes	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	Margie Hertneky Vivian Grubba	Ingrid Kowieski	Barb Star
Elders	Pat Smith	Rick Zastrow	Ryan Schneider
Greeters	Mark & Sue Baganz	Chris & Pam Kroupa Jim & Judy Braatz	Gary & Leah Johnson
Live Stream	N/A	Edwards	N/A
Radio	N/A	Cheryl Tesch	N/A
Ushering Team	Dan Friedrich	Rick Zastrow	Dan Lennington

Prayer before communing:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this Holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Radio Broadcast: Spencer & Gail Frosch in loving memory of Don Ryan

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Reading: Psalm 126 (chanted responsively)



When the LORD restored the fortunes of | Zion,*
we were like | those who dream.

**Then our mouth was filled with | laughter,*
and our tongue with | shouts of joy;**

then they said among the nations,

“The LORD has done great | things for them.”*

The LORD has done great things for us; | we are
glad.

Restore our fortunes, | O LORD,*

like streams in the | Negeb!

Those who | sow in tears*

shall reap with | shouts of joy!

He who goes out weeping,

bearing the seed for | sowing,*

shall come home with shouts of joy,

bringing his | sheaves with him.

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.

Press on in Christ

by Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

The 5th Sunday in Lent
6 April, A.D. 2025
Isa 43.16-21; Ps 126; Phil 3.8-14; Lk 20.9-20

Introduction

1. What does Jesus mean with His response to the disciples of John the Baptist? (Mt 9.14-17; Isa 43.19)

A. Jesus Reiterates His Purpose

2. What is the context of Jesus "Parable of the Wicked Tenants"? (Lk 20.9-20)
3. What is the parable about?

B. Paul's Purpose in Christ

4. Before Paul's conversion, what did he believe about salvation?

5. After his conversion, in what did Paul trust? What did he say about his former beliefs? What became his life's purpose?

Conclusion: Your Purpose in Christ

CCT: In Christ we press on toward our goal:

_____.

6. What does this mean for us generally? (See Mk 16.16, Phil 3.8-14)

7. What are some specific examples?

a. Jesus, Lord of our _____.

b. Jesus, Lord of our _____.

c. Jesus, Lord of our _____.

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