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THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

10:45 a.m. Sunday, April 26, 2020



St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School

- A Family to Whom You Belong -
Our Mission is to: **Make More & Better Disciples**

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:45 a.m. Sunday, April 26, 2020

Servants of God's House Today:

Pastor: Rev. Kenny Hsu

Praise Team Accompanist: Doris Hill

Ushers: Bob Grothaus Team

Missionaries: Charles Cortwright, Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf,
Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump, Rev. Paul Flo

Reader:

WELCOME! We are glad that you are here worshipping God with us. We pray for God's blessings to you and invite you to come back again soon.

AS WE GATHER Today we are surrounded by special sights—the liturgical colors in the sanctuary, the various hues in the clothing worn by those who have gathered for worship with us, and perhaps the special notes of beauty added by floral decorations in the church. We are blessed in what we see. And we are most blessed in seeing our Lord present in the Sacrament, hidden under the forms of bread and wine. The hiddenness of Jesus was experienced by two disciples on the road to Emmaus. But ultimately, their eyes were opened, and they beheld the risen Savior. In worship, we seek to see Him as He chooses to be known to us.

Worship Service

(The congregation is invited to respond in the words written in **bold**.)

The Ringing of the Bells

The Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Opening Sentences *Romans 6:9; Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6, adapted*

P: Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;

C: **death no longer has dominion over Him.**

P: Christ has risen from the dead. Alleluia!

C: **God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,**

P: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

C: **He has put all things under His feet. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Opening Song

“Nobody Loves Me Like You Do”

Morning, I see You in the sunrise ev’ry morning. It’s like a picture that You’ve painted for me, a love letter in the sky.

Story, I could’ve had a really diff’reent story, but You came down from heaven to restore me, forever saved my life.

CHORUS:

Nobody loves me like You love me, Jesus. I stand in awe of Your amazing ways. I worship You as long as I am breathing. God, You are faithful and true; Nobody loves me like You.

Mountains, You’re breaking down the weight of all my mountains. Even when it feels like I’m surrounded,
You never leave my side, oh.

[REPEAT CHORUS]

Oh, what a song to sing! Oh, what a song to sing!
Oh, what a song to sing! Oh, what a song my heart keeps singing!

Oh, what a song to sing! Oh, what a song to sing!
Oh, what a song to sing! Jesus, You love me, and I love You, God.

Nobody loves me like You love me, Jesus. I stand in awe of Your amazing ways.
I worship You as long as I am breathing. God, I will worship You, forever worship You.

Nobody loves me like You love me, Jesus. I stand in awe of Your amazing ways.
I worship You as long as I am breathing. God, You are faithful and true. Nobody loves me like You.

Nobody loves me like You love me, Jesus. I stand in awe of Your amazing ways.
Nobody loves me like You. Nobody loves me like You.
Words and Music by Ed Cash and Scott Cash- CCLI 11440148

Apostles’ Creed

believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

First Lesson Acts 2:14a, 36–41 NIV (Peter preaches in the heart of Jerusalem.)

^{14a}Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:
³⁶“... let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”

³⁸Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of

Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

⁴⁰With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”

⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Second Lesson

1 Peter 1:17–25 NIV

(Peter reminds us that we redeemed by the blood of Christ.)

¹⁷Since you call on a Father who judges each person’s work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. ¹⁸For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

²⁰He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your

faith and hope are in God.

²²Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. ²³For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

²⁴For, “All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, ²⁵but the word of the Lord endures forever.” And this is the word that was preached to you.

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:13–35 NIV (The disciples are witnesses of the risen Lord.)

¹³Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶but they were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷He asked them, “What are you

discussing together as you walk along?”

They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

¹⁹“What things?” he asked. “About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰The chief

priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.

²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.

²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

²⁵ He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

Confession and Absolution

P: Let us confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.

C: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our creator and preserver, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We are stained by sin from our very beginnings. We have sinned again and again in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves and have turned away from one another in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for all of our many sins. Have mercy on us, gracious Father; forgive us all that is past, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, direct our lives so that we serve You in true faithfulness. Grant us victory over all that oppresses us, and build Your kingdom among us here through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P: In His boundless mercy, God has promised forgiveness of sins to those who repent and turn to Him for restoration and renewal. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. God keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, and grant you a life on earth in which you tell of His greatness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." ³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

The Song of Instruction "The Wonderful Cross"

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died;
My richest gain I count but loss. And pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Oh, the wonderful cross, Oh, the wonderful cross;
Bids me come and die, and find that I may truly live.
Oh, the wonderful cross, Oh, the wonderful cross;
All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an off'ring far too small:
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Oh, the wonderful cross, Oh, the wonderful cross;
Bids me come and die, and find that I may truly live.
Oh, the wonderful cross, Oh, the wonderful cross;
All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.
(Words & music by Chris Tomlin, J.D. Walt & Jesse Reeves, worship.together.com songs/
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The Word

"Lord, Teach Me"

WE WORSHIP GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING

We honor God with the gifts He has given to us.

St. Paul's members have pledged to support our ministry in their tithes and offerings.

To our guest: We are glad that you are with us today and please do not feel that you are obligated to participate. We invite you to come back again.

Please hand your **Welcome Card** to an usher or acolyte.

Offertory Piano Solo by Doris Hill

The Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Benediction

The Going Out Song **“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”**

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed.

My chains are gone. I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

My chains are gone. I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.
My chains are gone. I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun for-bear to shine.
But God, who called me here below, will be forever mine,
Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

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St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod)

At a time like this, it is important to stay strong in the Word of God. Here are the ways you can continue to worship with us:

1. In Person Worship Services: First and Third Sundays, Sunday, May 3, 2020

- We are providing “40 minute Continuous In Person Worship/Communion Services” with limited number of people at a time. (10 or less).
- If you and your family desire to come, please call the church office at 252-0338 to reserve your time from the following spots on Sundays:

08:15 – 08:55 a.m.
09:05 – 09:45 a.m.
09:55 – 10:35 a.m.
10:45 – 11:25 a.m.
11:35 – 12:15 p.m.

2. Online Worship Services: Every Weekend

- Both of our Sunday regular services (8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.) will be posted online.
- Please use the following channels to worship with us:
 - * **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/StPaulsLutheranChurchSchool
 - * **Church Website:** www.siouxcitystpauls.org/indexc.htm
 - * **Church App:** This app can be found at the app store or google play. Search St. Paul's Lutheran Sioux City

3. Drive-In Worship Services: Second and Fourth Sundays, Sunday, May 10, 20

- Park in the church parking lot with your vehicle facing the church building. Tune your radio to the station we tell you and listen to the service while remaining in your car.

3. Tithes and Offerings can be made through following means:

- Mailing your offering envelopes to the church office at 612 Jennings St. Sioux City, IA 51101
- Church website (www.siouxcitystpauls.org) for online giving.
- Church app on your smart phone for online giving.

4. To stay informed, please call or email the church office to verify your contact and email information:

- Phone: (712) 252-0338
- Email mychurch@cablone.net