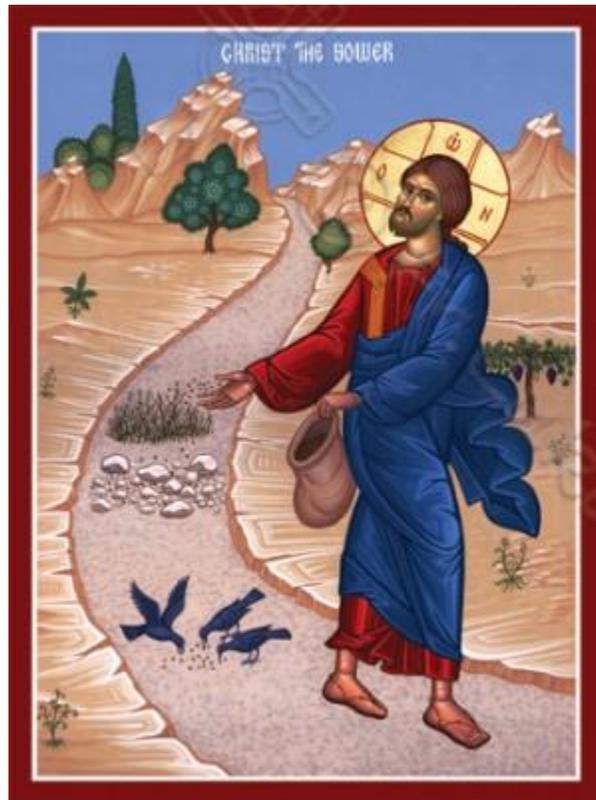


# Sexagesima



“As for that in the good soil,  
they are those who, hearing the word,  
hold it fast in an honest and good heart,  
and bear fruit with patience.”

Luke 8:15

Sexagesima  
20 February 2022

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Welcome in Jesus' name to our guests this holy day. We pray God's richest blessings to you as we hear His Word and receive His gifts. Please sign our friendship folder in the pews and if you're visiting for the first time, our guestbook in the narthex.

Worship at St. Paul's is conducted according to the historic, liturgical worship patterns of the Christian Church throughout the ages. The rhythm of worship is from our God to us, and then from us back to Him. He gives His gifts, and together we receive and extol them.

The Lord's Supper is offered every Sunday of the month. St. Paul's observes the biblical practice of close communion. Members of sister congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are encouraged to commune with us. *We ask visitors who are not members of the LC-MS to speak with our pastors if you are interested in learning more about our church and communion practices.*

*Sexagesima: The Sunday of the Sower*

*"The Lord's Call from Faith in Man to Faith in God."*

*Scripture Alone*

The Sower sows the seed of His Word (Luke 8:4–15). This Word is living and powerful (Heb. 4:9–13) to conceive new life in those who hear it. But the planting of Christ is attacked by the devil, the world, and the flesh. Satan snatches the Word away from hard hearts. The riches and pleasures of this life choke off faith. Shallow and emotional belief withers in time of temptation and trouble. But see how Christ bears this attack for us! Christ's cross was planted in the hard and rocky soil of Golgotha. A crown of thorns was placed upon His head. Satan and His demons hellishly hounded and devoured Him. Yet, through His dying and rising again, He destroyed these enemies of ours. Jesus is Himself the Seed which fell to the ground and died in order that it might sprout forth to new life and produce much grain. In Him, the weak are strong (2 Cor. 11:19–12:9). He is the Word of the Father which does not return void (Is. 55:10–13) but yields a harvest hundredfold.

Service Notes: The Johnson Family Kantorei is singing for the 8 a.m. service. Bradley Adams will provide distribution music. The Ferris Family Kantorei is singing for the 10:45 a.m. service. Sophie Roth will provide distribution music. Rachel Johnson and John Timm will be providing brass.

Prayer: O Lord, our God, as we come before You to worship You in spirit and truth, we ask You to open our hearts to the ministry of Your Word. Lead us to truly repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# Divine Service

## Setting Three

*Prelude:*

### 908 Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear



1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, And through Your  
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; Your Word grants  
3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the



Word to me draw near; Let me Your Word e'er pure re -  
heal - ing from my sin; Your Word has pow'r to guide and  
Spir - it, Three in One, Shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or



tain; Let me Your child and heir re - main.  
bless; Your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.  
be Now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

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## Confession and Absolution

*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  $\text{✠}$  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.**

*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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

*Stand*

# Service of the Word

Introit (*congregation chants bold*) Ps. 89:1, 26-28; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Ps. 89:20

Awake! Why are you sleeping, | O Lord?\*

Rouse yourself! Do not reject us for- | ever!

For our soul is bowed down | to the dust.\*

Rise up; come | to our help!

O God, we have heard with our ears, our fathers have | told us,\*

what deeds you performed in their days, in the | days of old:

you with your own hand drove out the nations, but them you | planted;\*

you afflicted the peoples, but them you | set free.

But you have saved us | from our foes\*

and have put to shame those who | hate us.

In God we have boasted con- | tinually,\*

and we will give thanks to your name 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.

Awake! Why are you sleeping, | O Lord?\*

Rouse yourself! Do not reject us for- | ever!

For our soul is bowed down | to the dust.\*

Rise up; come | to our help!

## Kyrie

LSB 186

**C** Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Gloria in Excelsis – omitted during Pre-Lent

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; 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

*The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 55:10-13*

<sup>10</sup>“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, <sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. <sup>12</sup>“For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. <sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

(Saturday) Gradual (*Kantor*) Ps. 83:18, 13

[Let your enemies] know that you alone, whose name | is the LORD,\*

are the Most High over | all the earth.

O my God, make them like | whirling dust,\*

like chaff be- | fore the wind.

Gradual: "How Blest Are They Who Hear".....N.J. Brun (Kantorei)

"How blest are they who hear God's Word, And keep and heed what they have heard!  
They daily grow in wisdom. Their light shines brighter day by day, And while they tread life's weary way,  
They have the oil of gladness To soothe their pain and sadness.

God's Word a treasure is to me. Through sorrow's night my sun shall be,  
The shield of faith in battle. The Father's hand hath written there My title as His child and heir,  
"The kingdom's thing forever." That promise faileth never.

Today I was my Savior's guest; My soul was here so richly blest,  
The bread of life receiving. O may thereby my faith prevail So that its fruit shall never fail  
Till my account is given Before the throne in heaven!

*The Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9*

<sup>19</sup>For you gladly bear with fools, being wise yourselves! <sup>20</sup>For you bear it if someone makes slaves of you, or devours you, or takes advantage of you, or puts on airs, or strikes you in the face. <sup>21</sup>To my shame, I must say, we were too weak for that! But whatever anyone else dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. <sup>22</sup>Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I. <sup>23</sup>Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. <sup>24</sup>Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. <sup>25</sup>Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; <sup>26</sup>on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; <sup>27</sup>in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. <sup>28</sup>And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. <sup>29</sup>Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant? <sup>30</sup>If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. <sup>31</sup>The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. <sup>32</sup>At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of Damascus in order to seize me, <sup>33</sup>but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall and escaped his hands. <sup>1</sup>I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. <sup>2</sup>I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— <sup>4</sup>and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. <sup>7</sup>So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup>Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. <sup>9</sup>But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

Tract (Kantorei) Ps. 60:1-2, 5

O God, you have rejected us, broken our de- | fences;\*  
you have been angry; oh, re- | store us.  
You have made the land to quake; you have torn it | open;\*  
repair its breaches, for it | totters.  
That your beloved ones may be de- | livered,\*  
give salvation by your right hand and | answer us!

Pastor: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Cong: Glory, be to Thee, O Lord.

*The Holy Gospel: Luke 8:4-15*

<sup>4</sup> When a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to [Jesus], he said in a parable: <sup>5</sup>"A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. <sup>6</sup>And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. <sup>7</sup>And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. <sup>8</sup>And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As he said these things, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." <sup>9</sup>And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, <sup>10</sup>he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that 'seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.'" <sup>11</sup>Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. <sup>12</sup>The ones along the path are those who

have heard. Then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. <sup>13</sup>And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. <sup>14</sup>And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. <sup>15</sup>As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Cong: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Sit

## 823 May God Bestow on Us His Grace



1 May God be-stow on us His grace, With bless-ings rich pro-  
 2 Thine o - ver all shall be the praise And thanks of ev - 'ry  
 3 O let the peo-ple praise Thy worth, In all good works in -



vide us; And may the bright-ness of His face  
 na - tion; And all the world with joy shall raise  
 creas - ing; The land shall plen - teous fruit bring forth,



To life e - ter - nal guide us, That we His  
 The voice of ex - ul - ta - tion. For Thou shalt  
 Thy Word is rich in bless - ing. May God the



sav - ing health may know, His gra - cious will and plea - sure,  
 judge the earth, O Lord, Nor suf - fer sin to flour - ish;  
 Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Spir - it bless us!



And al - so to the na-tions show Christ's rich - es with - out  
 Thy peo-ple's pas - ture is Thy Word Their souls to feed and  
 Let all the world praise Him a - lone, Let sol - emn awe pos -



mea - sure And un - to God con - vert them.  
 nour - ish, In righ - teous paths to keep them.  
 sess us. Now let our hearts say, "A - men!"

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Sermon: "God's Word works." Luke 8:4-15

Stand

### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
 the Father Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth  
 and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Offertory

LSB 192

- C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*Sit*

*Offering:*

*Stand*

Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

*We welcome members of our sister congregations of the LCMS to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper.  
Other visitors are welcomed forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms to indicate this desire.*

## Preface

LSB 194

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spirit.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.  
**C** It is meet and right so to do.  
**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 195

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

- P** 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.

**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

- 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  $\text{†}$  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  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 197

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

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198

- 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*

## 585 Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, with us a - bide, For round us  
2 In these last days of great dis - tress Grant us, dear  
3 To hope grown dim, to hearts turned cold Speak tongues of  
4 May glo - rious truths that we have heard, The bright sword



falls the e - ven - tide. O let Your Word,  
Lord, true stead - fast - ness That we keep pure  
fire and make us bold To shine Your Word  
of Your might - y Word, Spurn Sa - tan that



that sav - ing light, Shine forth un - dimmed in - to the night.  
till life is spent Your ho - ly Word and Sac - ra - ment.  
of sav - ing grace In - to each dark and love - less place.  
Your Church be strong, Bold, u - ni - fied in act and song.

5 Restrain, O Lord, the human pride That seeks to thrust Your truth aside  
Or with some man-made thoughts or things Would dim the words Your Spirit sings.

6 Stay with us, Lord, and keep us true; Preserve our faith our whole life through—  
Your Word alone our heart's defense, The Church's glorious confidence.

## 586 Preach You the Word



1 Preach you the Word and plant it home To men who  
 2 We know how hard, O Lord, the task Your ser - vant  
 3 The sow - er sows; his reck - less love Scat - ters a -  
 4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched And some be



like or like it not, The Word that shall en -  
 bade us un - der - take: To preach Your Word and  
 broad the good - ly seed, In - tent a - lone that  
 choked and mat - ted flat, The sow - er sows; his



sure and stand When flow'rs and men shall be for - got.  
 nev - er ask What pride - ful prof - it it may make.  
 all may have The whole - some loaves that all men need.  
 heart cries out, "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"

5 Of all his scattered plenteousness  
 One-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,  
 And bears a harvest hundredfold:  
 "Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!"

6 Preach you the Word and plant it home  
 And never faint; the Harvest Lord  
 Who gave the sower seed to sow  
 Will watch and tend His planted Word.

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## 577 Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast



1 Al - might - y God, Your Word is cast Like  
 2 Let not the sly sa - tan - ic foe This  
 3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares The  
 4 So when the pre - cious seed is sown, Life -



seed in - to the ground; Now let the dew of  
 ho - ly seed re - move, But give it root in  
 ris - ing plant de - stroy, But let it yield a  
 giv - ing grace be - stow That all whose souls the



heav'n de - scend And righ - teous fruits a - bound.  
 ev - 'ry heart To bring forth fruits of love.  
 hun - dred - fold The fruits of peace and joy.  
 truth re - ceive Its sav - ing pow'r may know.

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## 655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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## 588 Jesus Loves Me



1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so.  
2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.



Lit - tle ones to Him be - long; They are weak, but He is strong.  
He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.

*Refrain*



Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!



Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

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## Nunc Dimittis

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C** and His mercy endureth forever.
- 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.
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with thy spirit.

**Benedicamus**

LSB 202

- A** Bless we the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**

LSB 202

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C** Amen, amen, amen.

**Closing Hymn: 923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word**

1 Al - might - y Fa - ther, bless the Word Which through Your  
 2 We praise You for the means of grace As home - ward  
 3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all  
 grace we now have heard. Oh, may the pre - cious  
 now our steps we trace. Grant, Lord, that we who  
 crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye  
 seed take root, Spring up, and bear a - bun - dant fruit!  
 wor - shiped here May all at last in heav'n ap - pear.  
 heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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**Postlude:**

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Those celebrating a wedding anniversary this week: Martin & Cyndy Deal.



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If you would like to order altar flowers in memory of someone or in honor of a special occasion, please contact the church office at 712-322-4729. Cost: \$48.00.

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If you would like to make a donation to help Nate & Becca Heinicke, simply make out a check to them and send it to them at 510 S. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501 or send it to Jennifer Adams (Power of Attorney) at 3208 11<sup>th</sup> Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501.

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“Jesus Christ has made every human life indispensable.” *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

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*Wednesday at Noon Lenten Recitals will be held again this year beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Lunch will be catered. All donation are greatly appreciated.*

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## City Wide Music Festival March 26<sup>th</sup>

We will once again be hosting the City-Wide Music Festival on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. And we are pleased to announce that we will be going back to the traditional giving our guests refreshments after they have performed. We will be needing cookies, bars, snacks or anything that you think might be enjoyed by our visitors young and old. Please have your treats to the church by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for helping us with this great mission out-reach!



Opportunities for Growth: February 20 – 27, 2022

Sunday: 2/20/22  
9:30 a.m. ~ SS/ABC

**Monday: 2/21/22**

6:00 p.m. – Hand Bells

**Tuesday: 2/22/22**

9:00 a.m. – Chapel – SPLECC

11:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting

**Wednesday: 2/23/22**

8:50 a.m. – Chapel – SPLECC

5:00 p.m. – Cantate Domino

5:00 p.m. – Christ Academy

7:15 p.m. – Gloria Dei

**Friday: 2/25/22**

1:45 p.m. – Music at Risen Son

**Saturday: 2/26/22**

5:30 p.m. – Worship – C

**Sunday: 2/27/22**

8:00 a.m. ~ Worship - C

9:30am ~ SS/BC

10:45 a.m. ~ Worship- C



## St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center

St. Paul's Music Conservatory

Two Locations

One Word

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod/www.stpaulscouncilbluffs.org

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