

# **ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**– CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION –  
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO**



**2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP: SERVICE OF THE WORD**

*(printed on liturgy insert inside front cover of maroon hymnal)*

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 2 (pew bible, p.481)
- ◆ The Hymns: 399, 590, 596 (1-4), 596 (5-6)
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Acts 16:25-34, Romans 6:1-11
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 2

**Sermon Text – Mark 1:4-11**

### ***BAPTISM—A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT***

1. For Jesus ... beginning His earthly ministry.
2. For us ... being baptized into Christ.

*(a CLC Ministry-by-Mail sermon)*

- ◆ Prayer & the Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction & Closing Hymn (596, stanzas 5-6)

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Large print bulletins are available on the shelf by  
the tract rack or by request from an usher.

You may contribute an offering for God's kingdom work by  
putting it in the collection plate located by the back pew.  
There will be no offering collection during the service.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

### First Lesson – Acts 16:25-34

25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose. 27 The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" 29 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" 31 They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household." 32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. 33 At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized. 34 The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole family.

### Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 2

**P** Why do the nations conspire:  
**C** **And the peoples plot in vain?**  
**P** The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD:  
**C** **And against his Anointed One.**  
**P** The One enthroned in heaven laughs:  
**C** **The Lord scoffs at them.**  
**P** Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying:  
**C** **"I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill."**  
**P** I will proclaim the decree of the LORD:  
**C** **He said to me, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father.**

### Second Lesson – Romans 6:1-11

1 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? 2 By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? 3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. 5 If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. 6 For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— 7 because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. 10 The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. 11 In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

### Sermon Text – Mark 1:4-11

4 John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. 5 Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to him and were all baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins. 6 Now John was clothed with camel's hair and with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 And he preached, saying, "There comes One after me who is mightier than I, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to stoop down and loose. 8 I indeed baptized you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." 9 It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. 11 Then a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

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**A WARM WELCOME IN CHRIST TO OUR WORSHIP GUESTS.** We're glad for the opportunity to share with you the Gospel of forgiveness through Jesus! Please introduce yourself to the pastor and sign our guest book. We invite you to come worship with us again. If you would like to know more about St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church and our national organization, the Church of the Lutheran Confession, please speak with the pastor. He would be happy to call on you to share our confession and mission with you.

**SERVING US AT GOD'S HOUSE TODAY**  
Organist: Ruth Greening – Usher: Bob Rankin

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

Today (1/10)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School (The Wise Men, NT 4)
	10:45 am	Mary/Martha Ladies' Meeting
Sun (1/17)	10:45 am	Undecorating
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School (The Boy Jesus, NT 5)
	10:45 am	Annual Voters' Meeting

**UPCOMING ON THE JANUARY CALENDAR:** Church Council Installation: Sunday, January 24

**PASTOR SCHUETZE IS OUT OF TOWN** visiting family in Minnesota. He plans to return to Colorado tomorrow night. Our thanks to Ed Chiappetti and Wayne Ruegge for conducting today's service in the pastor's absence.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** The family and friends of Desirae Naumann, wife of Pastor David Naumann, of Clarkston, WA, who was called to her eternal rest last Sunday. She had been suffering from brain cancer. We pray the family may find their source of comfort in the Lord Jesus who has delivered us from the clutches of death and made heaven a reality for all who have come to faith in Him.

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