

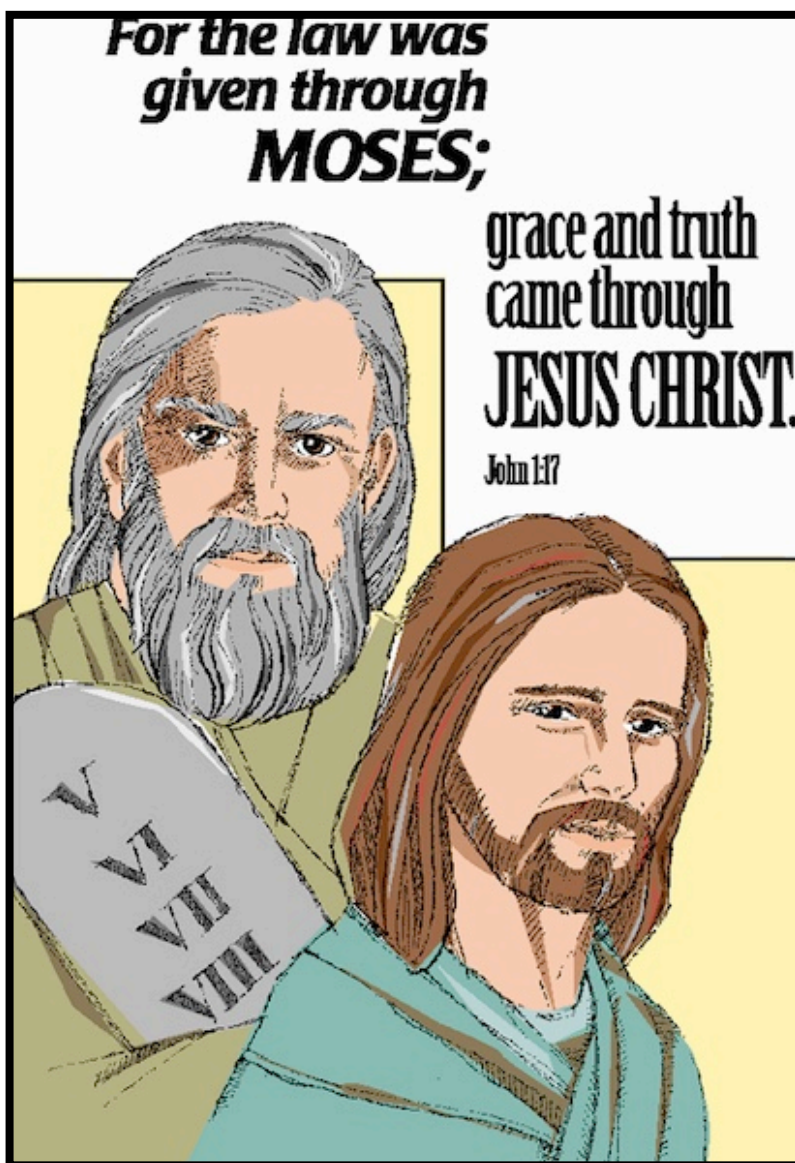
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4th Sunday after Epiphany – January 28, 2024

Order of Worship: Service of the Word

Find today's order of service printed on the liturgy insert tucked inside the front cover of the maroon *Lutheran Service Book* (in the hymnal rack). Large print copies of the order of worship and worship bulletin are on the shelf under the tract rack or speak to an usher who will be happy to share them with you. A warm welcome in Christ to all worshipers!

Serving Us Today

Organist Carly Mess

Ushers Mark Hartmeister, Don Claeys

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 1 (pew bible, p.481)
- ◆ The Hymns: 527, 656, 814, 924
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Hebrews 3:1-6, Mark 1:21-28
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 25
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (liturgy insert, p.15)

Sermon Text – Deuteronomy 18:15-20

"Let Us Hear Moses ... and THE Prophet!"

1. Because of our need for a go-between.
2. Because of the authority of their words.
3. Because of the greatness of their revelation.

- ◆ Offering of Thankful Hearts
- ◆ Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction / Closing Hymn (924)

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – Hebrews 3:1-6

Jesus Greater Than Moses

1 Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, 2 who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. 3 For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. 4 (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) 5 Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, 6 but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 25

Prayer for the Lord's Guidance

P To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul:

C O my God, in you I trust.

P Make me to know your ways, O LORD:

C Teach me your paths.

P Lead me in your truth and teach me:

C For you are the God of my salvation.

P Who is the man who fears the LORD?:

C Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.

P The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him:

C And he makes known to them his covenant.

P Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!:

C Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

Second Lesson – Mark 1:21-28 *Jesus Heals a Man with an Unclean Spirit*

21 And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. 22 And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. 23 And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, 24 “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are— the Holy One of God.” 25 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” 26 And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. 27 And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” 28 And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

Sermon Text – Deuteronomy 18:15-20

A New Prophet like Moses

15 "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— 16 just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ 17 And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. 18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. 19 And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. 20 But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’”

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A Warm Welcome to Our Worship Guests!

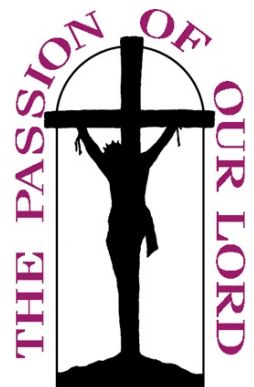
It is our prayer that your faith is strengthened today by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs that our Scripture-based liturgy offers every week. St. Paul is a member of the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC). The CLC is represented by congregations throughout the United States and Canada, with affiliated churches in Africa, India, and neighboring nations. All of our churches confess the Bible to be the inspired and unerring Word of God. We invite our Guests to record their visit by signing the Guestbook and to come worship with us again.

This Week at St. Paul

Today (1/28) 9:30 am Worship Service
10:45 am Sunday School
10:45 am Annual Voters Meeting
Sun (2/4) 9:30 am Worship Service, with installation of church officers
10:45 am Sunday School & Bible Class

Annual Voters Meeting: Today after the service. Agenda items include: presentation of the annual reports of the pastor, treasurer's and trustees reports, setting of the 2024 worship calendar, election of officers, and setting of our CLC Cooperative Budget Plan estimate. We pray for God's blessing on our discussions, deliberations, and decisions, that they may redound to His glory and serve for the blessing of His Church.

Our Midweek Lenten Service Schedule will begin with an Ash Wednesday worship service on February 14 at 7:00 pm. This year's overall theme is "*The Vocabulary of the Cross.*" More information about these services will be shared soon. We will observe the customary pulpit exchange with our sister CLC churches of the Front Range: Redeemer, Cheyenne and Prince of Peace, Loveland.



Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

January 29 - February 3

Mon John 8:12-16 Jesus is the Light of the World, dispelling the darkness that sin brought into it and revealing the loving Father from whom He came.

Tues 1 John 1:5-10 If we claimed to follow Jesus, but continued to walk in darkness, we would be denying that He is light or that God is light. But coming to Him confessing our sins, we find forgiveness and light!

Wed Isaiah 51:1-6 To His believers, who suffer the judgments which the wicked bring down upon a people, God speaks comfort. From the earliest times He has cared for His people, and His salvation will remain forever (v6).

Thurs Isaiah 51:7-12 Again the Lord repeats His comfort to His people. Even the insults and abuse of the wicked will not prevent God from blessing His people. He who saved them from the raging sea monster [Egypt (v9)] and brought them through the Red Sea will surely crown their heads with joy!

Fri John 7:14-17 When the people were amazed at Jesus' teaching, He answered that He was not speaking on His own, but that His teaching came from the One who sent Him. To a follower of God will be revealed the glory of God in His Christ.

Sat Luke 7:1-10 In Jesus' healing of the centurion's servant His creator-glory shines forth. He can preserve the life of the servant without even coming under the same roof or laying eyes on the man!