

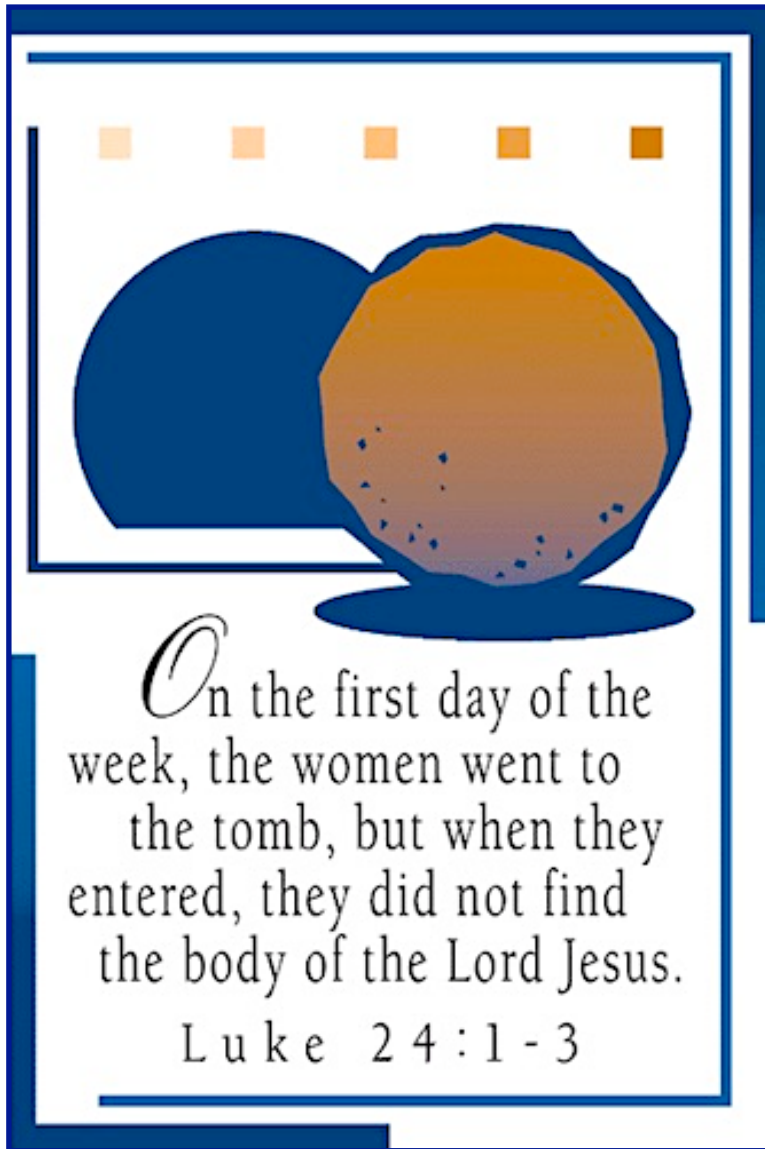
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3rd Sunday of Easter – April 14, 2024

A Warm Welcome to Our Worship Guests. The members of St. Paul are pleased to meet you and are happy that you are here to worship with us today. We are a congregation committed without reservation to the entire truth of God's Word in the Bible. We have found joy and hope in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We have found moral guidance, a way of life, and the promise of eternal life in the Holy Scriptures. It gives us pleasure to share these blessings with you. Please sign our guest book and come worship with us again!

Find today's order of worship printed in this bulletin starting on page 2, below. Large print copies are on the shelf under the tract rack, or speak to an usher who will be happy to share one with you.

Pre-Service Meditation and Prayer
Psalm 113 (pew bible, page 542)

*To the name of our salvation Laud and honor let us pay,
Which for many a generation Hid in God's foreknowledge lay;
But with holy exultation We may sing aloud today.*

*Jesus is the name we treasure, Name beyond what words can tell;
Name of gladness, name of pleasure, Ear and heart delighting well;
Name of sweetness, passing measure, Saving us from sin and hell.*

*Jesus is the name prevailing Over every name by right;
At this name, in terror quailing, Powers of hell are put to flight;
God, in mercy never failing, Saves us by this name of might.*
(TLH 116:1,2,5)

Serving Us Today

Organist Lisa Sprengeler; Ushers Don Claeys, Ed Chiappetti

ORDER OF WORSHIP

+++ We Prepare to Meet Our Lord +++

Opening Prayer

Hymn 12

This Day at Thy Creating Word (printed on page 10)

Invocation

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

C 
A - men.

Our Confession of Sins

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. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C 
Who made heav'n and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C 
And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes

and is baptized will be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C

A - men.

+++ We Praise Our Lord +++

Easter Acclamation

P The Lord has risen!

C **He has risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,

C **And that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.**

P I have set the LORD always before me;

C **Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

P The stone that the builders rejected

C **Has become the cornerstone.**

P The Lord has turned my mourning into dancing;

C **The Lord loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,**

P Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom

C **And might and honor and glory and blessing!**

P To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

C **The Lord has risen indeed!**

P Glory be to God!

C

Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, for - ev - er-more. A-men.

Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Congregation sings:

**He is arisen! Glorious Word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord;
The gates of heav'n are open. My Jesus did triumphant die,
And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.
O hear what cheer! Christ victorious, Rising glorious, Life is giving.
He was dead but now is living!**
(LSB #488)

P Let us pray:



+++ Our Lord Speaks to Us in His Word +++

First Lesson – 1 John 1:1– 2:2

Fellowship with Him and One Another

1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life — 2 the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— 3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4 And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. 2:1 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and treasure it. Alleluia!



Second Lesson – Luke 24:36-49

Jesus Appears to the Disciples



36 As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” 37 But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. 38 And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39 See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” 40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate before them. 44 Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46 and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, 47 and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”



Our Confession of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. ◇ I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

Hymn 469

Christ, the Lord is Risen Today

Sermon Text – Acts 4:5-12

Peter and John’s Trial in Front of the Jewish Council

5 And it came to pass, on the next day, that their rulers, elders, and scribes, 6 as well as Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the family of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem. 7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, "By what power or by what name have you done this?" 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, 9 if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, 10 let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. 11 This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. 12 And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Theme

"Let Us Praise the Powerful Name of the Resurrected Christ!"

1. A Name often rejected. 2. A Name chosen by *God*.
3. The *only* Name that saves.

+++ We Offer Ourselves to Our Lord +++

Offertory

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spi - rit with-in me.
 Cast me not a-way from Your pres - ence, and
 take not Your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
 Re-store un-to me the joy of Your sal-va-tion and up-
 hold me with Your free spir -
 it. A - men.

Offering of Thankful Hearts / Altar Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Hymn 741 (1-5)

Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

+++ Our Lord Blesses Us +++

Benediction

P The LORD bless you and keep you . . .



A - men, a - men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

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This Week at St. Paul

Today (4/14)	8:30 am	Church Council Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Mary/Martha Ladies Meeting
Tues	9:00 am	Pastoral Study Conference at Loveland
Sun (4/21)	9:30 am	Worship Service at St. Paul
	10:30 am	Front Range Mission Fest Service in Cheyenne (<i>see note below</i>)

Upcoming in April

- Spring Clean-Up Day: Saturday, April 27 (8 am to noon)
- Quarterly Voters Meeting: Sunday, April 28, 10:45 am

Annual Front Range Mission Festival

- When: Next Sunday, April 21, 10:30 am
- Where: Redeemer Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY
- Guest Speaker: Pastor Paul Nolting
- Schedule for the Day: Worship Service, 10:30 am; Fellowship Meal: 11:30 am; Mission Presentation by Pastor Nolting, after the meal



A lay service will also be conducted on April 21 at St. Paul at the customary time, 9:30 am.

Call News: The CLC Call Committee on Graduates met on Wednesday evening, and issued a call to Immanuel Seminary graduate, Paul Agenten, to St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran of Iron River, MI and Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI.

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

April 15-20

Mon John 21:1-6 The third time that the risen Christ showed himself to the disciples was in Galilee by the Sea. When He filled their nets with 153 large fish, it must have reminded them of how the Lord had once called some of them in connection with a catch of fish (Lk 5:1-11).

Tues John 21:7-14 The Lord gathers His little flock around Him and feeds them. They bring in the large catch of fish, but He already has bread and a charcoal fire with fish on it and is ready to cook more for their breakfast.

Wed Revelation 2:1-5 Jesus speaks to His church in Ephesus. He praises them for their faith which has endured hardships, but reminds them that faith works by love.

Thurs Ezekiel 34:11-16 The Lord promises to be the Shepherd that His people need, gathering His flock from the countries and leading them to rich pasture, seeking the lost and binding up the injured.

Fri Ezekiel 34:23-25 As the shepherd-king David pointed to the Messiah, so the Messiah, the Seed of David, is sometimes referred to as “David.” Here it is promised that He will establish a covenant of peace with the flock.

Sat Ezekiel 34:26-31 The Lord will make His flock a blessing, as He promised to Abraham, and Isaac, and Israel. He will protect them, feed them, and make them dwell in safety, whether in open spaces or forests.

Opening Hymn

LORD'S DAY

This Day at Thy Creating Word

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Gen. 1: 6
William W. How, 1871

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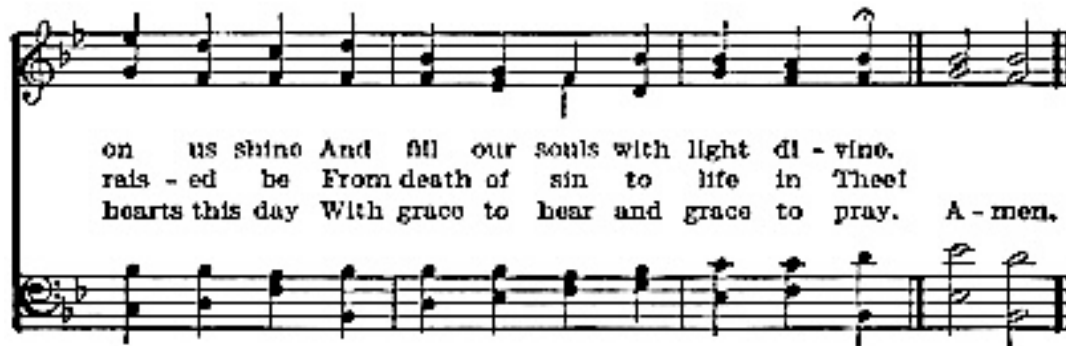
Winchester New
"Musikalisches Handbuch"
Hamburg, 1680



1 This day at Thy cre - at - ing word First o'er the
2 This day the Lord for sin - ners slain In might vic -
3 This day the Ho - ly Spir - it came With fl - ery



earth the light was poured: O Lord, this day up -
to - rious rose a - gain: O Je - sus, may we
tongues of clo - ven flame: O Spir - it, fill our



on us shine And fill our souls with light di - vine.
rais - ed be From death of sin to life in Thee!
hearts this day With grace to hear and grace to pray. A - men.

4 O day of light and life and grace,
From earthly toil sweet resting-place,
Thy hallowed hours, blest gift of love,
Give we again to God above.

5 All praise to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to Thee,
Whom, with the Spirit, we adore
Forever and forevermore.