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#### February 4, 2024, 5 p.m. at St. Paul's

The Son of God, Christ Jesus, Makes Us a New Creation
The Lord alone "is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth" (Is. 40:28). He "sits above the circle of the earth" and "stretches out the heavens like a curtain" (Is. 40:22). Yet, His almighty power is demonstrated chiefly by His mercy and compassion. "He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength" (Is. 40:29). The only begotten Son of the Father, the very Word by whom all things

demonstrated chiefly by His mercy and compassion. "He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength" (Is. 40:29). The only begotten Son of the Father, the very Word by whom all things were made, becomes flesh and takes all the poverty and weakness of our sin and death upon Himself, bearing it in His body to the cross. As He dies for us there, He also raises us up, a new creation, in His resurrection from the dead. Thus, by the preaching of this Word, He heals "many who were sick with various diseases," and He casts out "many demons" (Mark 1:34, 39). And His preaching continues through those whom He has sent, who are "entrusted with a stewardship" to "preach the gospel" (1 Cor. 9:16–17). Thus, we are set free by the Word of Christ, and we exercise our freedom in loving service to others.

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, LSB 184

Creed: Apostle's

#### **HYMNS**

Opening Hymn:

LSB 790 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 820 "My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1–2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymns:

LSB 693 "O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace"

LSB 797 "Praise the Almighty"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 841 "O Son of God, in Galilee"

#### **SERMON TEXT AND THEME**

Mark 1:29–39 God Waits on Sinners

#### IN OUR PRAYERS \*\*

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**TRINITY BIRTHDAYS:** Brant Bogenhagen 02/06; Ashley Stotts 02/07 **TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES:** none

**St. Paul's Birthdays**: Haleigh Mere Haiar 02/08; Bernice Kollman 02/09; Lane Wesseling 02/10

St. Paul's Anniversaries: none

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**FEBRUARY 4, EPIPHANY V** Our Almighty Maker has blessed us with bodies for enjoyment. He has entrusted them to our control (1 Corinthians 9:26-27), but this means more than the mere "my body,

my choice" indulgence of appetites. The greater gratification comes from receiving and serving even the least neighbor (1 Corinthians 9:22). Who are we to lie silent about the sanctity of life and thereby withhold the divine invitation to such a delightful discipline?

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**St. Paul's officers** will be installed during the service this evening. Officers include President Justin Everson; VP Rodney Weber; Secretary Kathy Guindon; and Treasurer Mike Tuschen. Board of Elders: Justin Everson. Mike Tuschen. and Curt Guindon.

Board of Trustees: Howard Weischedel, Dan Gerlach, and Lennis Titze.

Board of Finance: Josh Kemp, Mike Tuschen, and Kieth Albrecht.

Sunday School Superintendent: Ferra Kemp.

**Pastor will be out of the office** February 6–8, 2024. Pastor Lemcke (605-572-8263) will be on call for him those days.

A letter of FAQs regarding the upcoming change in *Lutheran Witness* **subscriptions** is available this evening.

See insert for more announcements.

#### 2024-02-04 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

### St. Paul's Lutheran Church † Trinity Lutheran Church Calendar

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Sun. Feb. 4	3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at St. Paul's
	St. Paul's Sunday School
	5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at St. Paul's
Tues. Feb. 6	2 p.m. TR LWML Hope Circle
Wed. Feb. 7	2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time
	6:30 p.m. TR LWML Ruth Circle
Sun. Feb. 11	3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at Trinity
	5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at Trinity
	6 p.m. Bible Class at Trinity

#### **SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH FEBRUARY 2024**

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LAST SERVICES' NUMBERS	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance January 28 at TR	2	21
Offering January 28 at TR		\$6585

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#### FEBRUARY 4, 2024 ANNOUNCEMENTS, cont.

#### **Ash Wednesday Divine Service**

February 14, 2024, 12 Noon, at Trinity.

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#### **Holy Week Schedule**

Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2024, 4:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Good Friday, March 29, 2024, 4:30 p.m. at Trinity Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024, 9:30 a.m. at St. Paul's



#### FROM THE PRESIDENT ...

#### FAQs about The Lutheran Witness after the Congregation Vote

As a result of the vote to end the current policy of congregations paying for the subscriptions to *The Lutheran Witness*, steps are in place to bring the policy to an end. Here are some answers to Frequently Asked Questions about subscribing to *The Lutheran Witness* going forward.

1. When will the current method of subscribing end, namely, congregations providing subscriptions for their members?

Answer: The March 2024 issue of *The Lutheran Witness* will be the last issue under the current plan.

2. Who will pay for the three months of the Witness in 2024 (January, February, March) our members will receive?

Answer: Congregations will be billed by the District Office for the three months.

- 3. Must the current subscriptions be cancelled? Answer: Yes.
- 4. Who contacts Concordia Publishing House (CPH), the publisher of The Lutheran Witness, to

## cancel the current subscriptions for each congregation?

Answer: No current subscriber or congregation will have to contact CPH to cancel. It has already been arranged for the publishing house to cancel all current subscriptions, after the March issue.

5. How may we continue to receive The Lutheran Witness, after March 2024?

Answer: Individuals or households may subscribe on their own. Or congregations can have a sign-up time to collect information for individual subscriptions. Or congregations may have a bundle of the periodicals sent to the church, for distribution to members. More information will be coming shortly on how individuals may subscribe on their own or by way of their congregations, or how a congregation may receive bulk copies for distribution at the church.

6. How much is a subscription to The Lutheran Witness for South Dakota District subscribers, after March 2024?

Answer: CPH is offering us a special rate of \$19.99

for a year's subscription to the main part of the magazine. With the South Dakota District insert, the cost will be \$24.99 for one year. This is for delivery to your home or post office box. Congregations may provide the *Witness* at the church for their members. If that is done, 0-25 copies will be at the annual subscription rate of \$19.99/24.99 per magazine; 25+ copies will be at the bulk rate of \$15.99 for the main part of the magazine, and \$18.39 with the District insert included.

Note: You can get the bulk subscription price only by having a bundle of copies delivered to the church. In other words, if you have a sign-up at the church, and you have 50 families sign up to have it delivered to their homes, this counts as individual subscriptions, not bulk. The subscribers will be charged \$19.99/24.99.

7. It appears that the District insert will continue to be a part of The Lutheran Witness. But what if I don't want to subscribe to the main magazine; may I receive or read the District section some other way?

Answer: Yes, we will continue to produce the District

section, and yes, this section will be made available to non-subscribers to the Witness, on other platforms and in other ways. The District section is the copyright property of the LCMS South Dakota District, and so the District Office is able to distribute it as we wish. The District supplement is already posted on the District's website under News and Events, and it will continue to be posted there. We also plan to include it as a regular feature in our twice-monthly email newsletter, a much different publication than the insert we produce for *The* Lutheran Witness. And we will be able to email a .pdf copy of the District section upon request to individuals and congregations. To subscribe to our District's email newsletter, contact Julie Pike at the District Office: *jpike @midco.net*, 605/361-1514.

I hope you'll continue to subscribe to this periodical, even if it means a new expense for you. *The Lutheran Witness* provides great information, instruction, and encouragement from our confessional Lutheran perspective.

--Rev. Dr. Scott Sailer, President



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#### February 11, 2024, 5 p.m. at Trinity

### The Face of Jesus Christ Manifests the Light of the Knowledge of the Glory of God

It was "a hard thing" that Elisha asked, but by his persistence he was able to see the prophet Elijah being taken "by a whirlwind into heaven." Although "chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them," Elisha received Elijah's cloak and a "double portion" of his spirit for preaching the Lord's Word (2 Kings 2:9–11). It was a hard thing, too, for Israel to see Moses and come near to him, when "the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God" (Ex. 34:29–30). Therefore, after "he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai," Moses "put a veil over his face" (Ex. 34:32–33). Only the Word of the Gospel lifts the veil, and "only through Christ is it taken away" (2 Cor. 3:14). Thus are we able to behold "the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ," who is "the image of God" (2 Cor. 4:4–6). For the Law and the prophets are all fulfilled in Him. Therefore, "listen to him," and fix your sights on "Jesus only" (Mark 9:7–8).

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, LSB 184

Creed: Nicene

#### **HYMNS**

Opening Hymn:

LSB 414 "Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 413 "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1-2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymns:

LSB 503 "O Day Full of Grace"

LSB 417 "Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 704 "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

#### **SERMON TEXT AND THEME**

Mark 9:2–9 Listen to Jesus

#### IN OUR PRAYERS \*\*

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**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND CONDOLENCES** to the family and friends of Jerry and Sharon Boyd at the death of their son, Steven. Also to Linda Smith and family at the death of Bud (service times on the back.). May our heavenly Father grant comfort and peace in the blessed assurance of eternal life for His children.

TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: John Geyer 02/13; Dale Pope 02/15

**TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES:** none

St. Paul's Birthdays: Rebecca Hoefert Haiar 02/14 St. Paul's Anniversaries: Brent & Andrea Morenz 02/14

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Trinity officers** elected at the January 28, 2024 Annual Meeting: President Dean Suelflow; Vice President Ben Bogenhagen; Secretary Kris Kieffer; Treasurer Diana Kieffer; Elder David Bogenhagen; Trustee Dan Meier; Finance Karen Meier.

Council members continuing their elected terms: Elders Dan Guericke and Scott Meier; Trustee Ron Steffen; Finance Brianna Bogenhagen

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Annual Pancake Supper at the United Methodist Church in White Lake will be February 18, 2024, from 5–7 p.m.

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#### 2024-02-11 The Transfiguration of Our Lord

### St. Paul's Lutheran Church † Trinity Lutheran Church Calendar

	CALENDAR			
Sun. Feb. 11	3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at Trinity			
	5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at Trinity			
	6 p.m. Bible Class at Trinity			
Wed. Feb. 14	12 Noon Joint <b>Ash Wednesday</b> Service at Trinity			
	with Imposition of Ashes			
	2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time			
Thurs. Feb. 15	6:30 p.m. Prayer Service for Bud Smith, TR			
	Visitation 5–7			
Fri. Feb. 16	11 a.m. Funeral Service for Bud Smith, TR			
Sun. Feb. 18	3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at St. Paul's			
	St. Paul's Sunday School			

#### SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH FEBRUARY 2024

5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at St. Paul's

St. Paul's	Trinity	
Elder: Curt Guindon	Elder: David Bog	genhagen
Ushers: Marv Jira	arv Jira Ushers: Ben Bogenhagen	
Larry Gerlach	Ron Ste	effen
Acolyte: Tayven Weber	Acolyte: Brant Bogenhagen	
Altar: Sandy Tuschen	Altar: Janice Thiry	
LAST SERVICES' NUMBERS	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance February 4 at SP	23	7
Offering February 4 at SP	\$1190	

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#### February 18, 2024, 5 p.m. at St. Paul's Christ Jesus Defeats Our Temptation and Saves Us by His Faithfulness

In faith and the fear of God, Abraham prepared to sacrifice his beloved son, Isaac. At the Word of the Lord, he "took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son." And "when they came to the place of which God had told him," Abraham bound Isaac "and laid him on the altar" (Gen. 22:6, 9). Then God stayed Abraham's hand and provided "for himself the lamb for a burnt offering" (Gen. 22:8). That Lamb is God's own beloved Son, Jesus, in whom "all the nations of the earth" are blessed (Gen. 22:18). As the Substitute for all the sons of men, Jesus is driven by the Spirit "into the wilderness" to be "tempted by Satan" (Mark 1:12–13) in order to endure and defeat all temptation. We are tempted by our own desire, which conceives and "gives birth to sin" (James 1:14–15). But this blessed Man, Christ Jesus, remained "steadfast under trial," and He has received "the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him" (James 1:12). His faithfulness, His victory and His life are now given to us by His grace in the Gospel.

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, LSB 184

Creed: Apostle's

#### HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 544 "O Love, How Deep"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 656 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1–2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymns:

LSB 718 "Jesus, Lead Thou On"

LSB 600 "Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 521 "Christ, the Lord of Hosts Unshaken"

#### **SERMON TEXT AND THEME**

Mark 1:9-15

Jesus Takes the Place of Sinners

#### IN OUR PRAYERS \*\*

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TRINITY BIRTHDAYS: none
TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES: none

St. Paul's Birthdays: Kristin Heismeyer 02/18; Hadley Tobin 02/19; Griffin

Tobin 02/19

St. Paul's Anniversaries: none

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The Annual Pancake Supper at the United Methodist Church in White Lake will be this evening from 5–7 p.m.

Articles for the March 2024 newsletter are due Thurs., February 22, 2024.

Update from Pres. Sailer: "When you receive the March issue of the *Lutheran Witness*, your magazine will be wrapped in cellophane, with a letter from me on a piece of paper, separate from the magazine.

The letter will inform you how to continue receiving the *Lutheran Witness* after the month of March 2024. It's very important that you check with your pastor or another leader of your congregation to learn whether there might be a plan to have a special sign-up for individual subscriptions. Or your church might be planning to get a number of copies of the *Lutheran Witness* each month, for you to pick up at the church."

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#### 2024-02-18 First Sunday in Lent

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Sun. Feb. 18	3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at St. Paul's
	St. Paul's Sunday School
	5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at St. Paul's
Wed. Feb. 21	2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time
	4 p.m. Trinity Lutherans For Life meeting at TR
Sun. Feb. 25	3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at Trinity
	5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at Trinity
	6 p.m. Lenten Supper at Trinity

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LAST SERVICES' NUMBERS	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance February 11 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup> at TR	2/1	18/23
Offering February 11th/14th at TR		\$2025/\$1141

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# February 25, 2024, 5 p.m. at Trinity By the Cross of Our Lord Jesus, We Inherit Life Everlasting with God

In His covenant with Abraham, the Lord promised to be with him, to bless him and to make him "the father of a multitude of nations." It is "an everlasting covenant" in Christ Jesus, the seed of Abraham who is blameless before God Almighty. All who believe in this Lord Jesus are the offspring of Abraham and are blessed "throughout their generations" (Gen. 17:1–7), because the Christ has suffered many things. He was rejected and killed, and after three days He rose again (Mark 8:31). To comprehend this theology of the cross, we must set our minds "on the things of God," and not "on the things of man" (Mark 8:33). "God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8). Therefore, having been "reconciled to God by the death of his Son," much more "shall we be saved by his life" (Rom. 5:10). Baptized into His cross and resurrection, "we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ," and by faith we rejoice in the hope of His glory (Rom. 5:1–2).

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Three, LSB 184

Creed: Nicene

#### HYMNS

Opening Hymn:

LSB 611 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

Sermon Hymn:

LSB 734 "I Trust, O Lord, Your Holy Name"

Offering Hymn:

LSB 781 vv. 1-2 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Distribution Hymns:

LSB 685 "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

LSB 708 "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"

Closing Hymn:

LSB 420 "Christ, the Life of All the Living"

#### **SERMON TEXT AND THEME**

Mark 8:27-38

Take Up Your Cross and Follow Christ

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TRINITY BIRTHDAY: Rev. Jens Jenson, SP/TR 03/02

**TRINITY ANNIVERSARIES:** none

St. Paul's Birthday: MaKenzie Anthony 02/27

St. Paul's Anniversaries: none

#### **LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE**

"Our Heavenly Father remains active and almighty, especially in the difficult circumstances that life issues involve. In joining Himself to us with His incarnation, wisdom, power, atonement, and resurrection, Jesus makes every human life blessed—and a blessing! He lovingly and ably handles decisions about welfare and affliction, life and death, so that we don't have to do it on our own." *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life* 



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The **March 2024 newsletter** is available this evening. **Please** read the information on pages 5 and 6 regarding *The Lutheran Witness* subscriptions and **complete the survey**.

LWML St. Paul's Dorcas Circle will be hosting a fellowship supper next Sunday, March 3, 2024, following the Divine Service. On the menu is a potato bar and desserts.

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#### 2024-02-25 Second Sunday in Lent

#### St. Paul's Lutheran Church † Trinity Lutheran Church **C**ALENDAR

3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at Trinity Sun. Feb. 25 5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at Trinity 6 p.m. Lenten Supper at Trinity Wed. Feb. 28

2:15 p.m. TR Release-Time

Sun. March 3 3:45 p.m. Joint Confirmation Class at St. Paul's

5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at St. Paul's 6 p.m. Fellowship Supper at St. Paul's

#### **SERVING THE LORD'S CHURCH FEBRUARY 2024**

St. Paul's **Trinity** Elder: Curt Guindon Elder: David Bogenhagen Ushers: Ben Bogenhagen Ushers: Mary Jira Larry Gerlach Ron Steffen Acolyte: Tayven Weber Acolyte: Brant Bogenhagen Altar: Sandy Tuschen Altar: Janice Thirv

LAST SERVICES' NUMBERS	St. Paul's	Trinity
Attendance February 18 at SP	23	10
Offering February 18 at SP	\$1508	

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or elder.