

Third Sunday in Lent

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Welcome to St. Paul Chuckery. We are glad to have you worshipping with us today. The Lord in his great mercy has called us together as a community of believers to have fellowship with him and with one another. We are pleased to share in that fellowship together with you. If there is any way that we can serve you or your family, please feel free to contact any member of our staff. We truly hope that the Lord bless you in His service to you today.

Welcome Preschool Families: We are excited to welcome the many families that entrust their children to learning at our school. Jesus spoke to his disciples saying, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." *Mark 10:14-15.*

Altar Flowers today are given by the Early Childhood Education Center. We are blessed today to have the children sing for us as well.

Attendance

Sunday Worship - 72

Lenten Service - 46

Sunday Schools Adults - 18

Children - 15

Teachers - 4

Offering Report

Lenten I

Loose \$ 50.00

Envelopes \$335.00

Total \$ 385.00

March 8, 2020

Loose \$ 37.00

Envelopes \$ 2,560.00

Thrivent \$ 865.00

Total \$ 3,462.00

Today

Greeters Dennis Headings and Mat & Mindy Johnson

Acolytes: Sunday: Abby & Josh Underhill

Weds (18th): Will Schlueter

Ushers: Dave Karkan, Mark Nicol, Larry Nicol, & Dave Picklesimer

Next Week

Greeters: Dave & Mary Karkan and Katie Kull

Acolytes: Sunday: Taylor Andrews & Will Schlueter

Wed. (25th): Anna Schlueter & Eli Thrush

Ushers: Dave Karkan, Mark Nicol, Larry Nicol, & Dave Picklesimer

New Members: Today we welcome as baptized and confirmed members Melissa Burns, Skyler Foos, and Laci Rausch.

Preschool Family and New Member Reception: Join us in the gym after the worship service as we greet and meet our new members and preschool families. What a blessing!

This Week at St. Paul:

Today: 11:30 am Confirmation Class

Tuesday: 8:30 am Ladies Bible Study on Job

6:00 pm Outreach Committee Meeting

Wednesday: 6:00 am Men's Confessional Study

1:30 pm Aces Euchre at Heritage House St. John's

6:00 pm Soup Supper

7:00 pm Lenten Service

8:00 pm Choir & Bells

Thursday: 6:00 pm Grief Share

Next Sunday: 8:45 am Prayer TEAM

9:00 am Confirmation Class

3:00 pm Double H 4-H

Easter Lilies: If you would like to purchase a lily for Easter, sign up on the sheet on the narthex table. They will be ordered from Dutch Mill and delivered here. The last date to order is March 25th!

Important Church Meeting Dates for March:

- **Church Council:** March 23rd at 7:00 pm
- **April Voter's Meeting:** April 26th after worship.

God Rescues Noah – A Fun Filled Event for Ages Preschool – Grade 5: March 29, 2020 from 4-6 pm. Bible Time, crafts, games, music and supper. Sign up at <https://vbsmate.com/StPaulChuckeryOhio>

Military Members: There is a plaque in the Narthex with the list of those that are and have served in the military (including the Reserves and National Guard). Several members need to be added. If you have served, or know someone that is serving, please give the names to Sue Ann Dillahunt or Kathy Picklesimer so we can update the plaque.

Volunteer Opportunities

We need volunteers for several happenings at St. Paul. There are sheets to sign up for **Easter Breakfast and our Confirmation Remembrance Dinner on April 19th**. If you have any questions, contact Anne Scheiderer.

Grief Share: The 4th week session is titled, "**The Journey of Grief – Part 2.**" This session helps you understand why it's important to put effort into your healing, how the events surrounding your loved one's death affect your grief, and the best ways to deal with your loved one's belongings.

If you are grieving the death of a loved one, you are welcome to join us for any of the sessions held on **Thursday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00 pm** at the **Plain City Presbyterian Church, 231 East Main Street, Plain City, OH 43064**. To register, please call or text Deaconess Janet Nicol at **614-561-7411**.

Golden Eagles Euchre: We are now playing cards every Wednesday at 1:00 pm at the Heritage House. Feel free to join us.

Meet and Eat Gathering: The March **Golden Eagles** meeting will be combined with the bi-monthly Meet and Eat gathering. We are eating at Asian Stir Fresh Restaurant, 160 Emmaus Rd., Marysville on **March 19th at 11:15am**. Plan to join us for food and fellowship. Please RSVP to Marge Morley at 937-644-4401. Hopefully we will have a large turnout and need to alert the restaurant to prepare tables.

The Tulips will be Blooming Soon...Golden Eagles on the Road again:

Tulip Time Festival in Holland, Michigan – May 7-10. Are you interested in going on this trip with the Golden Eagles? If so, pick up a flyer hanging on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

TOUR OF TOLLES CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER - FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD: Located on Route 42, south of Plain City, Tolles Career and Technical Center offers a wide variety of specialized learning opportunities designed to prepare high school students for careers in fields such as Culinary Science, Firefighting and EMS, Information Technology, Auto Mechanics, Health Sciences, Hospitality, and much more than you might imagine... even adult education courses! Join us for a tour of this state-of-the art campus on Friday, April 3rd. Following our informative tour, we'll enjoy lunch at the school's student-run Saffron Restaurant! We'll travel aboard the church bus and car pool, so plan to meet in the church parking lot at 9:30 am on Friday morning. Following our tour and lunch, we'll make a stop on the way home at the Plain City Thrift Store, which is next door to The Cheese House... which has ICE CREAM! Sign up for this day trip in the Marie Pfarr Room so we can tell the Saffron Restaurant how many will be dining.

GOLDEN EAGLES LENTEN SUPPER - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1st! If you would like to help with the St. John's Soup Supper, please contact Anne Scheiderer.

Memory: The Second Article and Meaning

And 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 sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Ex. 17:3 – “But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, ‘Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?’ ” Even the Israelites who saw miracles with their own eyes fall into unbelief and fear. From this distance we can see how foolish their worry is. How foolish will our worries appear from the distance of eternity? The Lord cared for them, and He will care for us.

Private Confession and Absolution: The practice of Private Confession and Absolution is a practice that was established by Jesus (*If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.* John 20:23) and has been in use in the Church throughout its' history, including our history as Lutherans. (*What sins should we confess? Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.* [Small Catechism: The Keys]) Pastor is available for private confession at any time during the week by appointment. Please call him at (937) 594-1575.

642 O Living Bread from Heaven

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| <p>1 O living Bread from heaven,
 How well You feed your guest!
 The gifts that You have given
 Have filled my heart with rest.
 Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
 Oh, cup that heals our woes!
 My heart, this gift possessing,
 With praises overflows.</p> <p>2 My Lord, You here have led me
 To this most holy place
 And with Yourself have fed me
 The treasures of Your grace;
 For You have freely given
 What earth could never buy,
 The bread of life from heaven,
 That now I shall not die.</p> | <p>3 You gave me all I wanted;
 This food can death destroy.
 And You have freely granted
 The cup of endless joy.
 My Lord, I do not merit
 The favor You have shown,
 And all my soul and spirit
 Bow down before Your throne.</p> <p>4 Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
 With heav'nly food, while here
 My course on earth is lengthened,
 To serve with holy fear.
 And when You call my spirit
 To leave this world below,
 I enter, through Your merit,
 Where joys unmingled flow.</p> |
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Psalmody

L Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C **O come, let us worship Him.**

Venite

LSB 220

C **O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
 Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving,
 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
 For the Lord is a great God
 and a great king above all gods.
 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
 the strength of the hills is His also.**

The sea is His, for He made it,
 and His hand formed the dry land.
 O come, let us worship and bow down,
 let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.
 For He is our God,
 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.

L Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C O come, let us worship Him.

Psalm (Sung Responsively)

Psalm 95:1–9; antiphon: v. 6



¹Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD;*

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!

²**Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving;***

let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!

³For the LORD is a | great God,*

and a great King a- | bove all gods.

⁴**In his hand are the depths | of the earth;***

the heights of the mountains are his | also.

⁵The sea is his, for he | made it,*

and his hands formed the | dry land.

⁶**Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;***

let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

⁷For he | is our God,*

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep | of his hand.

Today, if you | hear his voice,*

⁸**do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,**

as on the day at Massah in the | wilderness,

⁹when your fathers put me | to the test*

and put me to the proof, though they had | seen my work.

Sit

824 May God Bestow on Us His Grace

- 1 May God bestow on us His grace,
With blessings rich provide us;
And may the brightness of His face
To life eternal guide us,
That we His saving health may know,
His gracious will and pleasure,
And also to the nations show
Christ's riches without measure
And unto God convert them.
- 2 Thine over all shall be the praise
And thanks of ev'ry nation;
And all the world with joy shall raise
The voice of exultation.
For Thou shalt judge the earth, O Lord,
Nor suffer sin to flourish;
Thy people's pasture is Thy Word
Their souls to feed and nourish,
In righteous paths to keep them.

△3 O let the people praise Thy worth,
In all good works increasing;
The land shall plenteous fruit bring forth,
Thy Word is rich in blessing.
May God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit bless us!
Let all the world praise Him alone,
Let solemn awe possess us.
Now let our hearts say, "Amen!"

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Old Testament Reading

Exodus 17:1–7

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Romans 5:1–8

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 4:5–26

L A reading from John, chapter 4.

⁵[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory (Lent)

LSB 222

L We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

L Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

L We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

Sermon

Adult Confirmation

Canticle

Stand

Te Deum

LSB 223

C We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.

All the earth now worships You, the Father everlasting.

To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs therein.

To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory.
The glorious company of the apostles praise You.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise You.**

**The noble army of martyrs praise You.
The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You:
The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and only Son;
also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.**

**You are the king of glory, O Christ;
You are the everlasting Son of the Father.**

**When You took upon Yourself to deliver man,
You humbled Yourself to be born of a virgin.
When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

**You sit at the right hand of God
in the glory of the Father.
We believe that You will come
to be our judge.**

**We therefore pray You to help Your servants,
whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Your saints
in glory everlasting.**

**O Lord, save Your people and bless Your heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify You.
And we worship Your name forever and ever.
Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.
O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be confounded.**

Sit

Offering

Children's Bell Choir

Prayer

Kneel/Stand

Kyrie

LSB 227

- C** Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

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

Collects

- L** O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C** And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

Collect for Grace

L O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Stand

Benedicamus

LSB 228

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 228

P The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

430 My Song Is Love Unknown

1 My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh and die?

2 He came from His blest throne
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend,
My friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!

3 Sometimes they strew His way
And His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!"
Is all their breath,
And for His death
They thirst and cry.

4 Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
Themselves displease
And 'gainst Him rise.

5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suffering goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!

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Congregation at Prayer

Invocation: In the name of the Father and the Son ✠ and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer: Almighty and most gracious God and Father, we implore You to turn the hearts of all who have forsaken the faith once delivered to Your Church, especially those who have wandered from it or are in doubt through the corruption of Your truth. Mercifully visit and restore them that in gladness of heart they may take pleasure in Your Word and be made wise to salvation through faith in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Meditation: (*Portals of Prayer / Devotion*)

Daily Readings

March 16	Genesis 29:1–30	Mark 9:14–32
March 17	Genesis 35:1–29	Mark 9:33–50
March 18	Genesis 37:1–36	Mark 10:1–12
March 19	Genesis 39:1–23	Mark 10:13–31
March 20	Genesis 40:1–23	Mark 10:32–52
March 21	Genesis 41:1–27	Mark 11:1–19
March 22	Genesis 41:28–57	Mark 11:20–33

In our Prayers this Week: (on back)

Collect: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

Benediction: May the Lord Almighty bless our days ✠ and our deeds in his peace. Amen.

The following is a list of prayer concerns. Please use this as a daily reminder in your Prayer Time.

Members who are ill, recovering or seeking medical treatment: Ann Burns, Kristin Dellinger, Bonnie & Jeanie Thiergartner, Barbara Barnhart (Kylene Harms' mother), and Belinda Fonner (St. John's parent)

Shut-Ins

Home: Marjorie Loschky, Elton Rausch, & Jeanie Thiergartner

Bluebird: Bob Dellinger

Brookdale: Helen Scheiderer & Martha Wolff

Edgewater: Margia Renner

Gables: Jane Nicol

Walnut Crossing: Viola Burns & Virginia Greenbaum

Public/National Service: Seth Rengert, Matthew Roth, Darrell Breneman, William Harms, Nathan Burns, David Gerholdt, MacKenzie Roop, Pleasant Valley Fire Department, and Plain City Police Department.

Miscellaneous: POBLO Mission, Epiphany Ministries, Loving Care Hospice & Home Health, CWEFT (Thailand Mission), Miguel & Rachel Gonzalez Feliciano (Ladies Aid Seminary Student), and New Path Pregnancy Resource Center

Birthdays: 16 – Brandon Flores; 18 – Mary Carpenter; **21 – George Stump (96)** and Marvin Boerger;

Anniversaries: 17 – Charles & Linda Lowry; 21 – Don & Denise Commings