

Welcome to Saint Paul Lutheran Church.

As a member congregation of The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, we are committed to the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you are visiting with us this weekend, please sign our Record of Fellowship in each pew.

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†About Communion at St. Paul: †

The Lord's Table is open to all members of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Oneness at Communion pre-supposes oneness in doctrine. However, if you would like to come forward to receive a blessing, please keep your hands folded and step up to the Pastor. Thank you for respecting our teachings. If you would like to learn more about communion at St. Paul, feel free to make an appointment with Pastor Hartman.



ASH WEDNESDAY

Dear brothers and sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ, on this day the Church begins a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ.

From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope.

Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection.

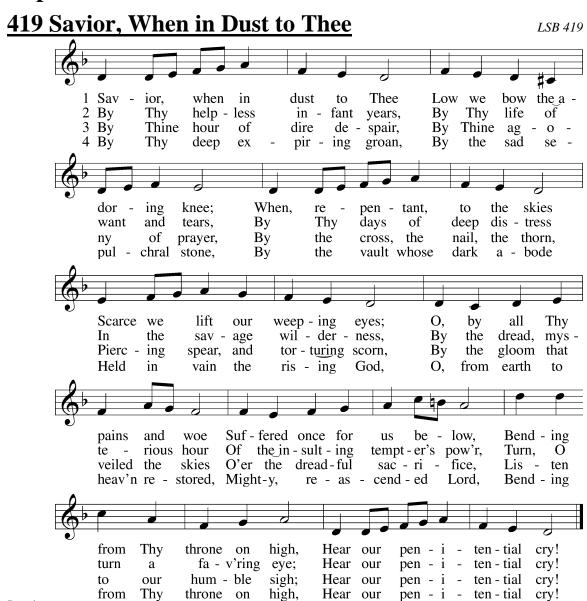
- P O Lord,
- **C** have mercy.
- P O Christ,
- **C** have mercy.
- **P** O Lord,
- **C** have mercy.
- P O Christ,
- C hear us.
- **P** God the Father in heaven,
- **C** have mercy.
- **P** God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
- **C** have mercy.
- **P** God the Holy Spirit,
- **C** have mercy.
- **P** Be gracious to us.
- **C** Spare us, good Lord.
- **P** Be gracious to us.
- C Help us, good Lord.
- **P** By the mystery of Your holy incarnation;
 - by Your holy nativity;
 - by Your baptism, fasting, and temptation;
 - by Your agony and bloody sweat;
 - by Your cross and passion;
 - by Your precious death and burial;
 - by Your glorious resurrection and ascension;
 - and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:
- C Help us, good Lord.

- In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:
- C Help us, good Lord.
- **P** We poor sinners implore You
- c to hear us, O Lord.
- To prosper the preaching of Your Word; to bless our prayer and meditation; to strengthen and preserve us in the true faith; and to give heart to our sorrow and strength to our repentance:
- We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- To draw all to Yourself; to bless those who are instructed in the faith; to watch over and console the poor, the sick, the distressed, the lonely, the forsaken, the abandoned, and all who stand in need of our prayers; to give abundant blessing to all works of mercy; and to have mercy on us all:
- **C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- To turn our hearts to You; to turn the hearts of our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers; and graciously to hear our prayers:
- **C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- **P** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
- **C** we implore You to hear us.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- **C** have mercy.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- **C** have mercy.
- P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- **C** grant us Your peace.
- **P** O Christ,
- C hear us.
- P O Lord,
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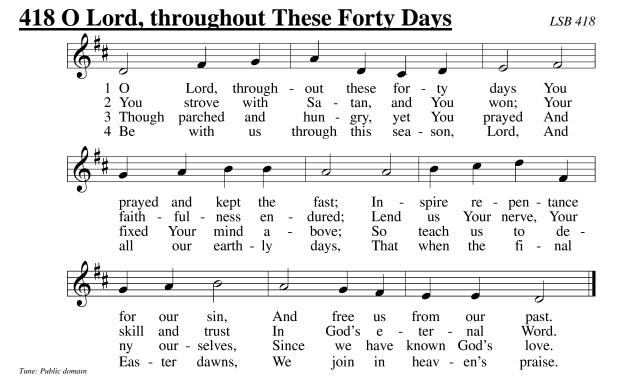
- P O Lord,
- have mercy. Amen.
- P O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. We implore You to have compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, for we acknowledge that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Mercifully pardon our sins that we may obtain the promises You have laid up for those who are repentant; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION



The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 184

- 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.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.



Confession of Sins

LSB 184

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

AbsolutionLSB 18.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.





Let us pray.

SERVICE OF THE WORD



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart,

with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments."

Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him,

a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God?

Blow the trumpet in Zion;

consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people.

Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders;

gather the children,

even nursing infants.

Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber.

Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, "Spare your people, O LORD,

and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations.

Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"

Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people.

The LORD answered and said to his people, "Behold, I am sending to you

grain, wine, and oil,

and you will be satisfied;

and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EpistleRevelation 2:1–7

"To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: 'The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands.

"I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear with those who are evil, but have tested those who call themselves apostles and are not, and found them to be false. I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. Yet this you have: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.'

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Psalm 51 Tone E



¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;* according to your abundant mercy blot out my trans- | gressions.

²Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,* and cleanse me | from my sin!

³For I know my trans- | gressions,* and my sin is ever be- | fore me.

⁴Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil | in your sight,* so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your | judgment.

⁵Behold, I was brought forth in in- | iquity,* and in sin did my mother con- | ceive me.

⁶Behold, you delight in truth in the inward | being,* and you teach me wisdom in the | secret heart.

⁷Purge me with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;* wash me, and I shall be whit- | er than snow.

⁸Let me hear joy and | gladness;* let the bones that you have bro- | ken rejoice.

⁹Hide your face | from my sins,* and blot out all my in- | iquities.

¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, | O God,* and renew a right spirit with- | in me.

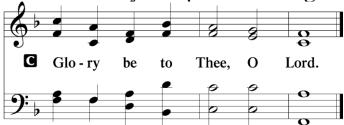
¹¹Cast me not away from your | presence,* and take not your Holy Spirit | from me.

¹²Restore to me the joy of your sal- | vation,* and uphold me with a willing | spirit.

¹³Then I will teach transgressors | your ways,* and sinners will re- | turn to you.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.



[Jesus said:] "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

"Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. . . .

"And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



561 The Tree of Life



Sermon – "The Deadly Sin of Leaving her First Love" – Revelation 2:1-7

Offertory LSB 192 C Cre-ate in \mathbf{o} me a clean heart, God, and re new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly me the joy of Thy sal - va from me. Re - store un - to and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church





SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



LSB 194

Preface The Lord be P with you. C And with spir it. thy Lift your hearts. up We lift them the Lord. up un - to give thanks un - to the Lord, our It meet and right do. so

Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195



Lord's Prayer

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LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The Words of Our Lord

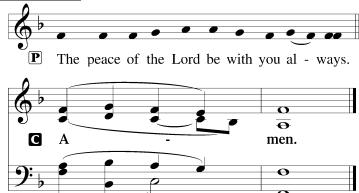
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Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini





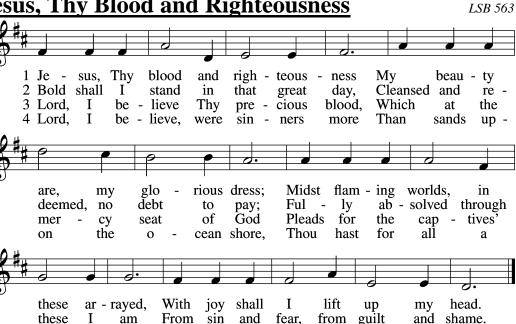
Agnus Dei LSB 198 C \mathbf{O} Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that world, have mer-cy up - on us. O tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.





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5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies, This then shall be my only plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.

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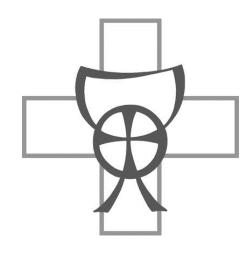
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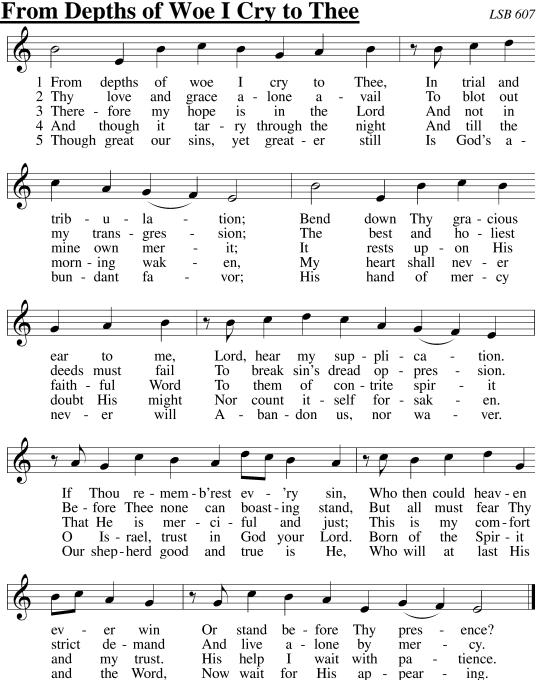
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6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me, For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

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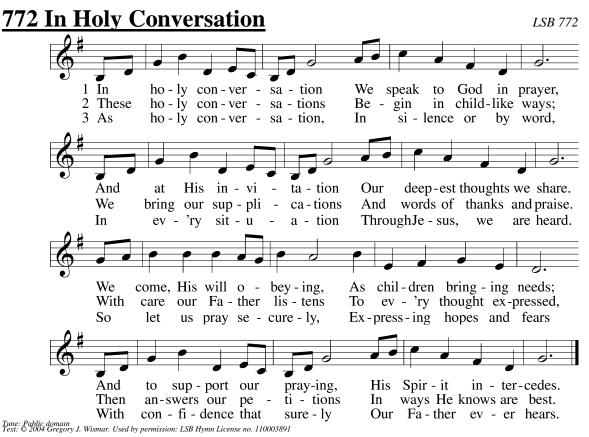
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The Dismissal

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- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

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- C Amen.

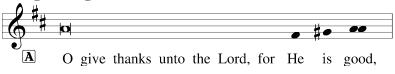


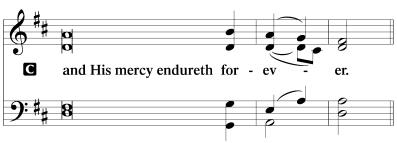
Nunc Dimittis LSB 199 C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry ra - el. Glo - ry peo-ple Is be to the Father and the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



Thanksgiving

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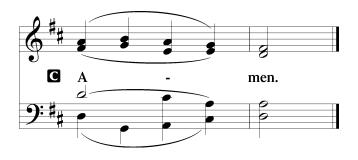


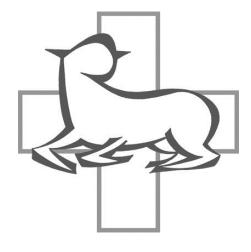


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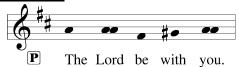
A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





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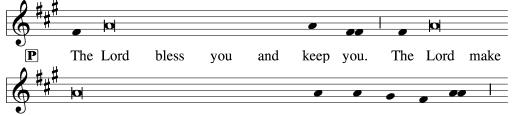




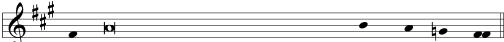
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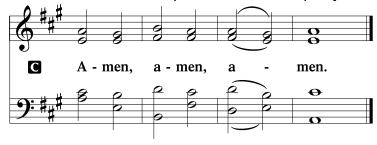
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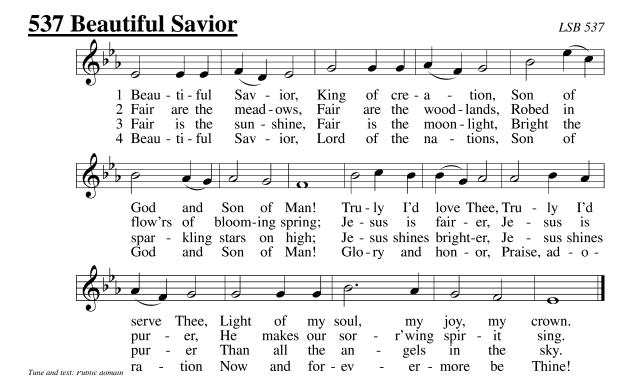


His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.





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LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE

WORSHIP SERVICE STARTING AT 6:00PM

- MIDWEEK LENT II-FEBRUARY 24TH REVELATION 2:8-11
 - "The Deadly Sin of Being Afraid to Suffer for Christ."
- MIDWEEK LENT III-MARCH 3RD REVELATION 2:12-17

 "The Deadly Sin of Attempting to Serve both God and Mammon."
- MIDWEEK LENT IV MARCH 10TH: REVELATION 2:18-29
 "The Deadly Sin of Accepting those who are Sexually Immoral."
- MIDWEEK LENT V MARCH 17TH: REVELATION 3:1-6 "The Deadly Sin of Deadness of Faith and Heart."
- MIDWEEK LENT VI MARCH 24TH: REVELATION 3:7-13 "The Deadly Sin of Not Sharing the Good News."
- PALM SUNDAY SATURDAY/SUNDAY, MARCH 27/28- 6:00PM/10:30AM with the Children's Processional on Sunday.
- MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 1ST 6:00 PM REVELATION 3:14-22 "The Deadly Sin of Having a Lukewarm Relationship with God."
- GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 9TH 11:45AM CROSS WALK, MEET AT WISNER MUSEUM SERVICES AT 12:00 NOON AND 6:00 PM.
- HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 10TH GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER NO SERVICE. TAKE A FEW MOMENTS FOR EXTRA PRAYER AT HOME THIS EVENING.
- EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 11TH The Resurrection of our Lord!

Easter Sunrise Service – 6:00am

SPY Easter Breakfast – 7:00-8:00am

Sunday School – 8:00am (**No Adult Class**)

Easter Festival Service – 9:00am