



St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church-Blue Point Ash Wednesday February 14, 2018

Welcome to St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

Prayer before Service-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. Amen.

Opening Hymn419
Order of Corporate Confession and Absolution.....pg 290
Psalm 51 (Responsively whole verse by whole verse)
Old Testament Lesson-Joel 2:12-19

“Now, therefore,” says the LORD,

“Turn to Me with all your heart,

With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning.”

So rend your heart, and not your garments;

Return to the LORD your God, For He is gracious and merciful,

Slow to anger, and of great kindness;

And He relents from doing harm.

Who knows if He will 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 sacred assembly;

Gather the people, Sanctify the congregation,

Assemble the elders, Gather the children and nursing babes;

Let the bridegroom go out from his chamber,

And the bride from her dressing room.
Let the priests, who minister to the LORD,
Weep between the porch and the altar;
Let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD,
And do not give Your heritage to reproach,
That the nations should rule over them.
Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?' "
Then the LORD will be zealous for His land, And pity His people.
The LORD will answer and say to His people,
"Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil,
And you will be satisfied by them;
I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations.

Epistle Lesson- 2 Peter 1:2-11

Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Gospel Lesson-Matthew 6:1-21

"Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven. Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But when you do a charitable deed, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, that your charitable deed may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly.

"And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the

streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

“Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one.

For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen.

“For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

“Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.

“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.

Sermon Hymn.....607

Sermon

Text: Matthew 6

Theme: Our Father who art in heaven

I. Extra time during Lent conversing with Our Father

II. Who art in Heaven-reminding us where we are going

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Prayers

Communion Liturgy.....pg 194

Communion Hymns.....440, 609, 634

Benediction

Closing Hymn.....766 vs. 1 and 9

Lenten Services begins with Ash Wednesday service, on February 14th, at 7 PM with Holy Communion. The theme is “The Lord’s Prayer in the Lord’s Passion

Lenten Midweek, February 21, **Hallowed be Thy Name**

Lenten Midweek, February 28, **Thy Kingdom Come**

Lenten Midweek, March 7, **Thy Will be Done**

Lenten Midweek, March 14, **Give Us this day our daily bread**

Lenten Midweek, March 21, **Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us**

Maunday Thursday, March 29, **Lead us not into temptation**

Good Friday, March 30, **But deliver us from evil**

Easter Sunday, April 1, **For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever and ever. Amen!**

ALIS PTL dinner auction is February 24th. Tickets are \$25.

Social hour begins at 5, dinner is at 6 and the auction begins at 7. Please have tickets and items, or at least a description of the item to school no later than 6pm Thursday February 15th. Thanks for your passed support and we look forward to seeing you there. Any questions call Jo Ellen Tappendorf 618-267-6661

150th Anniversary Committee will be meeting, February 25, at Ron and Deb Ohnesorge’s. Please mark your calendar.

Former Lutheran Hour speaker Reverend Gregory Seltz and Congressman John Shimkus will team up to discuss “The Two Kingdoms and the role of a Christian in the Political Process” at the upcoming Lutheran Layman’s League Annual Meeting Mar 17. St John’s Congregation of Champaign will host the meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. More details and registration information will be forthcoming. Please put the date on your church and personal calendars. Reverend Seltz is now Executive Director of Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty (LCRL) in Washington DC and Shimkus was a Lutheran School teacher before going into Congress.

The Men’s Club and the congregation would like to thank Ron and Deb Ohnesorge for providing the LLL Lenten devotional booklets

Prayers-For Keith Meier who is undergoing treatment for cancer; For Cheryl Burks who will be undergoing back surgery this week; for Chrisha Hammer who is having surgery this Thursday; For the families of the victims of shooting in Parkland, Florida; For our college students; For a blessed Lententide; For the birth of a daughter, Anna Marie, to Rev Ryan and Cathy Meyer of St Peter Lutheran Church, St Peter.

Those serving

Preacher-Rev David Speers

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Organist-Lucille Klitzing

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