

# St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church-Blue Point

## Tuesday of Holy Week April 7, 2020

**Welcome to St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church!!**

**Prayer before the Service-**Almighty God, grant that in the midst of our failures and weaknesses we may be restored through the passion and intercession of Your only-begotten Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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**Psalm 71 in unison**

In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be put to shame.

Deliver me in Your righteousness, and cause me to escape;

Incline Your ear to me, and save me.

Be my strong refuge, To which I may resort continually;

You have given the commandment to save me,

For You are my rock and my fortress.

Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked,

Out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

For You are my hope, O Lord GOD;

You are my trust from my youth.

By You I have been upheld from birth;

You are He who took me out of my mother's womb.

My praise shall be continually of You.

I have become as a wonder to many, But You are my strong refuge.

Let my mouth be filled with Your praise

And with Your glory all the day.

Do not cast me off in the time of old age;

Do not forsake me when my strength fails.

For my enemies speak against me;

And those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together,

Saying, "God has forsaken him;

Pursue and take him, for there is none to deliver him."

O God, do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

Let them be confounded and consumed

Who are adversaries of my life;  
Let them be covered with reproach and dishonor  
Who seek my hurt.  
But I will hope continually,  
And will praise You yet more and more.  
My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness  
And Your salvation all the day,  
For I do not know their limits.  
I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD;  
I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only.  
O God, You have taught me from my youth;  
And to this day I declare Your wondrous works.  
Now also when I am old and grayheaded,  
O God, do not forsake me,  
Until I declare Your strength to this generation,  
Your power to everyone who is to come.  
Also Your righteousness, O God, is very high,  
You who have done great things;  
O God, who is like You?  
You, who have shown me great and severe troubles,  
Shall revive me again,  
And bring me up again from the depths of the earth.  
You shall increase my greatness, And comfort me on every side.  
Also with the lute I will praise You—  
And Your faithfulness, O my God!  
To You I will sing with the harp, O Holy One of Israel.  
My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing to You,  
And my soul, which You have redeemed.  
My tongue also shall talk of Your righteousness all the day long;  
For they are confounded, For they are brought to shame  
Who seek my hurt.  
**ALL: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without  
end. Amen**

**Epistle Lesson-1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written:

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.”

Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, that no flesh should glory in His presence. But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—that, as it is written, “He who glories, let him glory in the LORD.”

## **Sermon**

**Text: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

**Theme: Christ, the Power of God!**

**I. How different the way the world and the church see the world**

**II. The Church understands that man is corrupt and so needs to be truly healed, and so seeks wisdom, righteousness and redemption**

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Prayers

Benediction

The following are the themes of the services that comprise Lenten Midweek and Holy Week Services, however, at the present time our ability to gather is on hold, given the pandemic and state mandates. **This week we will be offering Holy Communion to groups of 10 or less throughout the day on Maundy Thursday, April 9th and Good Friday, April 10th by appointment.** Please call the church office. Easter Service will be postponed until the church can gather again. Watch the facebook page, the bulletin and website [www.stpaulbluepoint.org](http://www.stpaulbluepoint.org) for further news. There will also be **daily sermons** posted with brief bulletins each day on the internet. So the Lenten series will be completed and preached, as will other sermons and lessons during this time.

**Lenten Midweek Services** —The theme will be **Walking with Paul to the Cross and Beyond**. The lessons will be the Epistle lessons from the previous Sunday; **Maundy Thursday-1 Corinthians 11:23ff**, The Lord richly feeds His children, as they make their way to the Cross; **Good Friday-Isaiah 53**; John 19, Theme-We have arrived at the Cross and ponder what this means for us! **Easter Sunrise-1 Corinthians 15:1-11**, Theme-The Lord is Risen

**Prayers**-For the family of Gene Moeller who died this past week; For the family of Donald Burks, the father of Charles Burks, who died; for the family of W. Wayne Arnold, the grandfather of Spencer Hammer; For Jim Huelskoetter who is recovering from surgery; For Ruby Stuckemeyer and Logan Duncan; for those afflicted with the viruses this year, and those working in health care. For the school closings.

**Those participating-**

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