



St. Paul
Lutheran
Church

**1st Sunday of
Christmas**

**January 1, 2023
9:00 am**

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: ELW #269 “Once in Royal David’s City”

Greeting- The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie: pg. 98-99

Hymn of Praise: pg. 101 “This is the Feast”

Prayer of the Day- Let us pray.

O Lord God, you know that we cannot place our trust in our own powers. As you protected the infant Jesus, so defend us and all the needy from harm and adversity, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

Children’s Sermon

First Reading: Isaiah 63:7-9

⁷I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD,
the praiseworthy acts of the LORD,
because of all that the LORD has done for us,
and the great favor to the house of Israel
that he has shown them according to his mercy,
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

⁸For he said, “Surely they are my people,
children who will not deal falsely”;
and he became their savior

⁹in all their distress.

It was no messenger or angel
but his presence that saved them;
in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:10-18

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

¹³And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

And again,

“Here am I and the children whom God has given me.”

¹⁴Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation pg 102

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now after [the wise men] had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” ¹⁴Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, ¹⁵and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, “Out of Egypt I have called my son.”

¹⁶When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸“A voice was heard in Ramah,
wailing and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.”

¹⁹When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, ²⁰“Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child’s life are dead.” ²¹Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. ²²But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. ²³There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, “He will be called a Nazorean.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW #272 “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”

Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People:

Response: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Offering

(We invite the children to gather dollar bills and change for the mission jug.)

Create in Me a Clean Heart– p. 186 (*hymn section*)

Offering Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Sending

Blessing–

Sending Hymn: ELW #268 “From Heaven Above” Verses 1-3, 14

Dismissal

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Announcements

Thank you Paul Krull for providing pulpit supply. We appreciate you!

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Larry and Shelly Alquist in memory of Leon and Marge Olson, Jane's parents. We thank them for this ministry gift.

Sunday School will resume next Sunday, January 8!

The 2023 Offering Envelopes are out in the Fellowship Hall. Please take yours home with you after worship.

If you provided a poinsettia for the church this Christmas you may take yours home today.

God's Christmas barnyard– Thank you to those who gave to the ELCA Good Gifts cause. Together, we are sending 12 cows, 8 goats, 23 pigs and 145 chickens!!!

Coffee Hour– There are new sign up sheets out to help the youth with coffee hour.

Radio Broadcast– There are new opportunity for 2023 to sponsor a radio broadcast. The cost is \$40.00. A sign up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.

This Week at St. Paul

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Worship Services - 9:00 a.m.
Coffee and Fellowship—10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, January 4, 2023

Quilting—9:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour— 10:00 a.m.

1/1/23	9:00 am	Offering 12/25/22	
Presiding Minister	Paul Krull		
Reader	Jay Van Wert, II	General:	\$ 9,490.90
Organist	Pam DeVries	Building:	\$ 500.00
Coffee Hour	Church Council	Radio	\$
Greeters	Jay and Sally Van Wert	Automated Giving General Bldg	\$ 80.00 \$
1/8/23	9:00 am	Total	\$ 10,071.00
Reader	Evelyn Cross		
Greeters	Torie and Steph Korth		
Coffee Hour	Jacob Donnenwerth and Jo Coonley		

Prayer List:

Terry Wheeler, Justin Mejia, Kathy Brandt, Jan Hinrichs, Arvin Stadlander, Gary and Curtis Askew, Steve Sandvig, Shannon Sandvig, Marlys Peterson, Verna Humburg, Ron Hintch, Marian Kay Foster-Thomas, Joy Christiansen, Leland Dhondt and the Call Committee Process.

**Online: Facebook– St. Paul Lutheran of Hampton Page–
Sunday 9:00 am**

**After broadcast, available on demand on Facebook and at
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