

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and
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P	indicates <i>Pastor</i>
V	indicates <i>Vicar</i>
A	indicates <i>Assisting Minister</i>
C	indicates <i>Congregation (bold type)</i>
R	indicates <i>Reader</i>
ELW	indicates <i>cranberry red hymnal – <u>Evangelical Lutheran Worship</u></i>
ACS	indicates <i>navy hymnal - <u>All Creation Sings</u></i>
+	indicates the congregation may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENEROSITY REFLECTION

OPENING LITANY

A Ever-present God, be in the ordinary moments of this day;

**C the cleaning the house, making meals, washing
clothes, driving to work, walking the dog,**

A on our own, in a crowd, drinking tea, demanding and unwind-
ing moments.

**C Be the song that we sing in our busyness and rest, the
ever-present friend on whom we can depend.**

OPENING HYMN

“Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters” ELW 445



- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur-ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho-ly wis-dom! Un-im-ag-ined, all your ways!



Num-ber them a-mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a-go.
Let us join your feast, par-tak-ing cup of bless-ing, liv-ing bread.
To your name be glo-ry, hon-or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light.
God, re-new us, guide our foot-steps; free from sin and all its snares,
We your peo-ple stand be-fore you, wa-ter-washed and Spir-it-born.



Fill, a-noint them; send your Spir-it, ho-ly dove and heart's de-light.
one with Christ in liv-ing, dy-ing, by your Spir-it, chil-dren, heirs.
By your grace, our lives we of-fer. Re-cre-ate us; God, trans-form!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

V Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

C Amen.

V Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

V God of mercy and forgiveness,

C we confess that sin still has a hold on us.

We have harmed your good creation.

We have failed to do justice,

love kindness, and walk humbly with you.

Turn us in a new direction.

Show us the path that leads to life.

Be our refuge and strength on the journey,

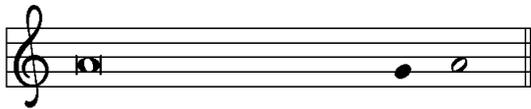
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

V Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven ✝ and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



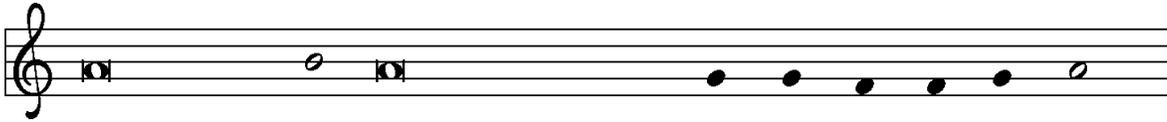
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

GREETING

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

C **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE “Now Thank We All Our God” ELW 840 vs 3

3 All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and Spirit blest,
who reign in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heav'n adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

V Creative God, you are always making things new. Set us free from the guilt and fear that hold us back from sharing your love in the world. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and unite us as your people, called and chosen in our baptism to love you and love one another. We ask this in the name of our sibling, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

R ³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they

teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

R Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46

R ¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

**²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of
God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

**⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**⁸Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns
the shields with fire.

¹⁰“**Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.**”

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING

Romans 3:19-28

R ¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

R Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW 173

(Please turn to hymn number 173 in the cranberry hymnal. A new-to-us Call and Response song. Vicar Charlotte will sing first, the congregation will join in)

GOSPEL

PC The Gospel according to John 8:31-36

C Glory to you, O Lord.

PC ³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

PC The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "A Mighty Fortress" ELW 504

I A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe

has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might
he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

2 No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

3 Though hordes of devils fill the land
all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
they cannot overpow'r us.
Let this world's tyrant rage;
in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

4 God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
goods, honor, child, or spouse,

though life be wrenched away,
they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

HOLY BAPTISM

(Cranberry Hymnal pages 227 – 231)

Presentation

Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the ministers at the font. The assembly is seated.

PC God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors We present Milo Schlake-Kruse for baptism.

PC Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Milo baptized into Christ?

Response: I do.

PC As you bring Milo to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten
Commandments,
place in his hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that Milo may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,

and work for justice and peace.

PC Do you promise to help Milo grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: We do.

The presiding minister addresses sponsors:

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Milo in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly:

People of God, do you promise to support Milo and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C We do.

The assembly stands.

Profession of Faith

The presiding minister addresses candidates for baptism as well as the parents and sponsors of young children. The assembly may join in the responses.

PC I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

PC Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response I renounce them.

PC Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response I renounce them.

PC Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

PC Do you believe in God the Father?

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

PC Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

PC Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Thanksgiving at the Font

Water may be poured into the font before or during the thanksgiving.

PC The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PC Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PC Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth. You are the fire of rebirth. You poured out your

Spirit on your people Israel. You breathe life into our dry bones. Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, and breathe new life into those who are here baptized. By your Spirit adopt us all as your children, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The assembly may be seated.

Baptism

Water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:

PC Milo Schlake-Kruse, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

**You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

The presiding minister continues:

PC Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your child new birth, cleanse him from sin, and raise him to eternal life.

Laying both hands on the head of the newly baptized, the minister prays:

PC Sustain Milo with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of each of the baptized. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:

Milo, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C Amen.

Welcome

A lighted candle may be given to the newly baptized as a representative of the congregation says:

“Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.”

The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.

“Let us welcome the newly baptized.”

C We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(response)*

A Lord, in your mercy,

C Receive our prayer.

PEACE

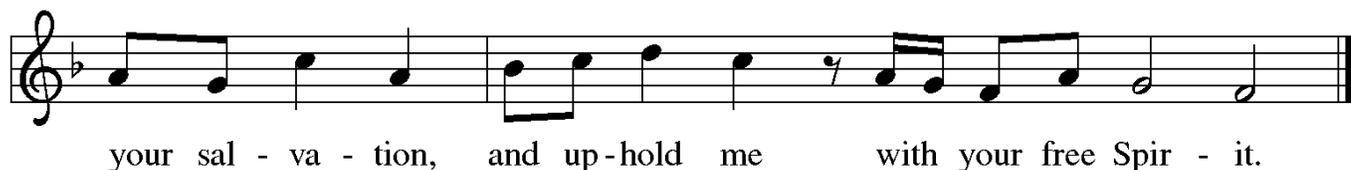
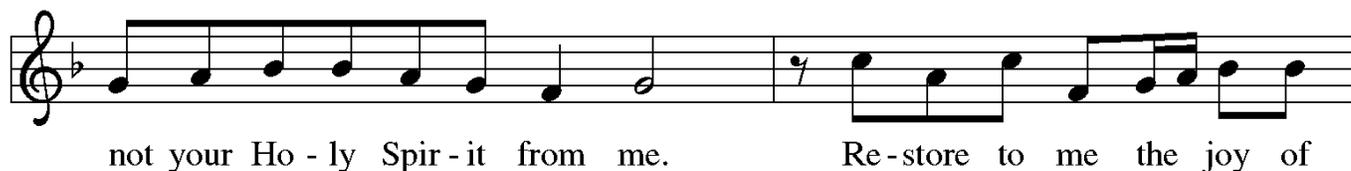
V The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING

Special Music “Welcome to This World” by Renee & Jeremy

Offertory “Create in Me a Clean Heart” ELW 186



OFFERING PRAYER

A Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen.**

COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

PM The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PM Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PM Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Proper Preface (Sung to the tune of ELW 525)

PM With great joy, our God we praise, for the blessings of our days. For the mercy we receive; through the cross of Christ, we're freed. Freed to love and serve like Christ; God's love promises us life. Give us strength, your call to hear, we sing with saints, far and near;

Sanctus "You Are Holy" ELW 525



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Lord's Prayer

PM Gathered into one by God's spirit, let us pray the prayer that the Lord Jesus taught us. God you are our parent, our mother,

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.**

Words of Institution

Lamb of God “Come to the Table” ELW 481

Come to the table of mercy,
prepared with the wine and the bread.
All who are hungry and thirsty,
come, and your souls will be fed.
Come at the Lord’s invitation;
receive from his nail-scarred hand.
Eat of the bread of salvation;
drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Music during Distribution “I Come with Joy” ELW 482

I I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.

- 2 I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.
- 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.
- 4 The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here,
alive among us here.
- 5 Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.

Hymn "Take My Life, That I May Be" ELW 583

Refrain Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

- 1 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain*
- 2 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. *Refrain*
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee. *Refrain*
- 4 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne. *Refrain*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in the meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

V God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine” ELW 774

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain Leaning, leaning, (*Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, (*leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)
leaning on the everlasting arms.

2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace, God is with you.

C **Thanks be to God!**

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WELCOME

St. Paul's Lutheran Church – Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Announcements for October 30, 2022

We welcome all of you to our Worship Service this morning!

Welcome Adoration Lutheran, family, friends and special guests! We are thrilled to have you all with us this morning to worship God and share in the celebration at the baptism of Milo Schlake-Kruse. Please feel free to stay after worship for food and fellowship in the Memorial Suite as well as the lounge area.

Parental Leave - Pastor Delaney returns from parental leave tomorrow, Monday, October 31, 2022. You can contact her by phone or email for pastoral care, worship or church-related needs.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

** denotes newly added item

Members with Special Concerns

Larry Schulz Marilyn Zirbel

Others with Special Concerns

Donna Kitzman, mother of Tim Kitzman

Katie Ruen, Pastor Ed's wife/friend of St. Paul's

Kathy Hilmoe, friend of MaryEllen & Howie Voelz

Bill Mueller, friend & former member of St. Paul's

LaVerne Mueller, friend & former member of St. Paul's

Dennis & Barb Benjamin, former members of St. Paul's

Laurie Klug, friend of the Polinske/Ringwolski families

Darlene Reid, sister of Wayne Ringwolski

Darrin Ringwolski, son/brother of Ringwolski/Polinske families

Chuck & Caryl Nye, brother-in-law & sister-in-law of Mary Klug

Charles Schulz, father of Larry Schulz

Jerry Zimmerman, former member

Avis Jeffers, cousins of Mary Ellen Voelz

Other Prayers:

~ We pray for the people of Ukraine and others seeking refuge from war.

~ We pray for Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Peterson who is currently serving in Indonesia.

~ We pray for responses to gun violence in our city and nation, and pray for the courage to advocate for change so that all people might live in peace.

~ We pray for our partners at Neighborhood House and Our Safe Place.

~ For our partnership congregations: Shepherd of the Bay (Ellison Bay) and Galilee (Pewaukee)

~ For our Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton & Greater Milwaukee Synod Bishop Paul Erickson.

