



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

701 S. College Avenue, Newark, Delaware 19713

*Growing in faith. Growing in community.
Welcoming all in Jesus' name.*



RECONCILING IN CHRIST

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY Sunday, February 8, 2026

10 AM Service of Holy Communion



Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH We believe all people are created in God's image.

Rooted in Jesus' ministry of liberation, unconditional love, and hospitality, we strive to welcome all into our community. This welcome explicitly includes those who have traditionally been marginalized in the church and society due to their sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, marital status, racial and ethnic background, physical ability, developmental ability, citizenship/documentation status, and socio-economic status.

We hope that our young people experience God in our gathering together. Families, you are welcome to use the Prayground in the rear corner of the sanctuary if you want more space, and to use the Prayground in the narthex if you need a break from the activities in the sanctuary. Most of all, know that the joyful noise of young people in our worship is welcome!

**Hearing assist devices are available in the narthex.
If you need any other help with worship,
please speak with an usher at the doors to the sanctuary.**

† GATHERING †

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Upon entering the sanctuary, the people pray silently or engage in quiet meditation allowing the music to focus their attention on God and God's kingdom.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand, as you are able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Called to be light,
**we would carry God's hope into
the shadows of the world.**

Called to be salt,
**we would enhance the lives
of those around us, with joy.**

Called to live in God's reality,
**we would welcome everyone
as siblings in faith.**

OPENING HYMN

Rise, Shine, You People!
ELW 665

Verse 2: Bass (low) voices “See how he sends...light and life and healing.”
All in unison “All men and women...now are forgiven.”

Verse 3: Treble (high) voices “Come, celebrate...the darkness hurling.”
All in unison “To all the world go out and tell...of Jesus’ glory.”



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent his Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark-ness hurl - ing. To all the
Tell of the Son, who life and free-dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion his new cre - a - tion.

Text: Ronald A. Klug, b. 1939, alt.

Music: WOJTKIEWIECZ, Dale Wood, b. 1934

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CONFESSTION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Mighty God, lover of justice,
you call us to life in community,
but we have served our own interests
at the expense of our neighbors.
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.
We say the right words,
but our hearts are far from you.
Turn us to seek your face.
Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,
that we may do justice, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

The former things have passed away,
and new things God now declares:

Like a spring of water that never fails,
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,
and forgives your sin in † Jesus' name.
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,
and bless you with the gift of peace.
Amen.

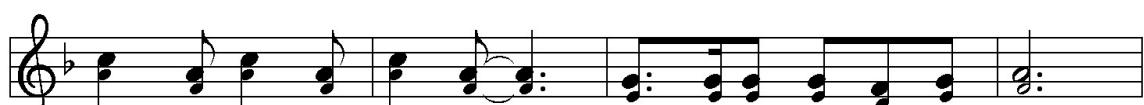
HYMN OF PRAISE

Gloria

ELW Setting 7



Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . . on high!



Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . . on high!



And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.



And on earth . . . peace to God's peo-ple. Glo - ry to God.

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

May the Creator of heaven and earth,
the Word who spoke life into being,
the Wind stirring the waters be with you all.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

⊕ WORD ⊕

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:1-9a

The fast God chooses

A reading from Isaiah:

¹Shout out; do not hold back!

 Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
 to the house of Jacob their sins.

²Yet day after day they seek me
 and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
 and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments;
 they want God on their side.

³“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

 Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day
 and oppress all your workers.

⁴You fast only to quarrel and to fight
 and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
 will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵Is such the fast that I choose,
 a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush

and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

^{9a} Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 112:1-10

¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD
and have great delight in God's commandments!

² **Their descendants will be mighty in the land;**
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³ Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last forever.

⁴ **Light shines in the darkness for the upright;**
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

⁵ It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶ **For they will never be shaken;**
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸**Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness
stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth
and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

God's wisdom revealed through the Spirit

A reading from First Corinthians:

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him” –

¹⁰God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!

ELW Setting 7

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:13-20

The teaching of Christ: salt and light

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹³ “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light

shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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

Be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Cris Frigm

*Feel free to take notes or write down your own reflections on this morning's message.
Spirit-led doodling is also acceptable.*

Please stand, as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ, Be Our Light

ELW 715

Found on p. 10



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



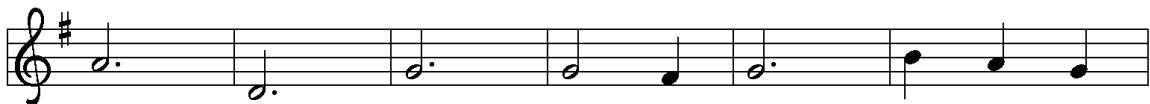
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Refrain
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

Music: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, Bernadette Farrell

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

Your church does ministry in many and various ways. Keep the baptized true to the mind of Christ, that our works and witness bring hope to a troubled world.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your marvelous creation cries out to you. Restore polluted air, soil, and water sources to wholeness. Guard honeybees, elephants, great whales and songbirds from harm, and renew the face of the earth. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your people in every nation suffer injustice, poverty, and the threat of violence. Guide those in authority to govern with compassion and bring peace to places of war and conflict. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your blessings are poured out for all in need. Help and heal any who experience trauma, discrimination, disease, hunger, abuse, or persecution. Comfort those who are sick or grieving, especially John, the family of Arylene, those on our prayer list, and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts...*(brief silence)*. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your wisdom guides this congregation and its ministries. Sustain our ordained leaders, staff, lay leaders, and volunteers. Form us to be salt and light for the neighbors we serve, following the example of Christ. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your saints rejoice at your heavenly banquet. We give thanks for their lives of faith, trusting that we also will be embraced by your eternal love. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

*The assembly exchanges signs and words
of God's peace, saying,
Peace be with you.*

Be seated.

† MEAL †

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GATHERING OF GIFTS

*In response to God's love in Jesus Christ,
we offer our gifts for service and mission.*

At this time, please sign the Fellowship Pad (the black folder) found at the end of your pew and pass it to your neighbor and back again. There are also QR Codes at the end of this worship folder for attendance, prayer requests, and online giving.

ANTHEM

“This Little Light of Mine”

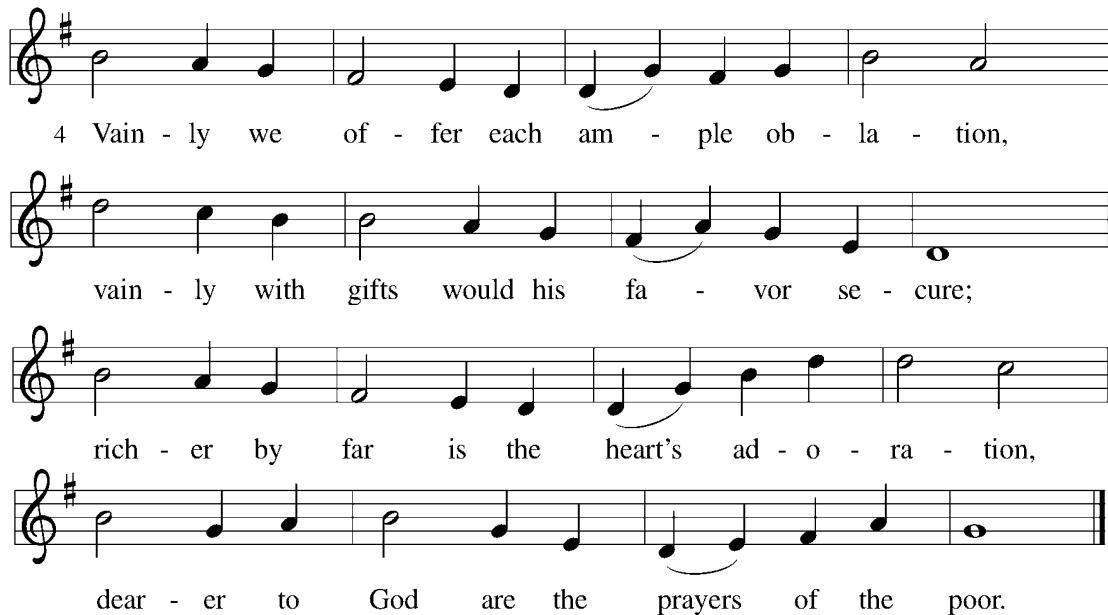
arr. Mark Hayes

Sanctuary Choir

Please stand, as you are able, and sing as the gifts are presented and the table is set.

OFFERTORY

Brightest and Best
ELW 303, Vs. 4



4 Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion,
vain - ly with gifts would his fa - vor se - cure;
rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion,
dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.

Music: MORNING STAR, James P. Harding, 1850–1911, adapt.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.
Use what we have gathered

to feed us with the reign of God come near,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy
ELW Setting 7



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God,
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God,

God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on

earth. . . . Blest is he who comes in the

name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na here on earth. . . .

Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.

Blessed are you, O holy God:
 you are the Life and Light of all.
 By your powerful word you created all things.
 Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.
 He is your Light, shining in our darkness
 and revealing to us your mercy and might.
 In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his preaching and healing,
his dying and rising,
and his promise to come again,
we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal,
that, refreshed with this heavenly food,
we may be light for the world,
revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Watered by that grace which never runs dry, we pray as we are taught:
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will
be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our
sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and
deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now
and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
We come to the table to taste and see.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

O Lamb of God

ELW Setting 7



O Lamb of . . . God, you . . . take a-way the sin of the world; . . .

have . . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . . mer-cy up - on us.

O Lamb of . . . God, you . . . take a-way the sin of the world; . . .

have . . . mer-cy up - on us, have . . . mer-cy up - on us.

O Lamb of . . . God, you . . . take a-way the sin of the world; . . .

grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Be seated.

HOLY COMMUNION

In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Those who choose not to commune are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossed arms. If you would like to receive

communion in your pew, please notify an usher.

Non-alcoholic grape juice and gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service ELW 712 (harmony)



1 Lord, whose love in hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need,
2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home-less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal-ing light
4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed:
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-en ed sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com-pas - sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

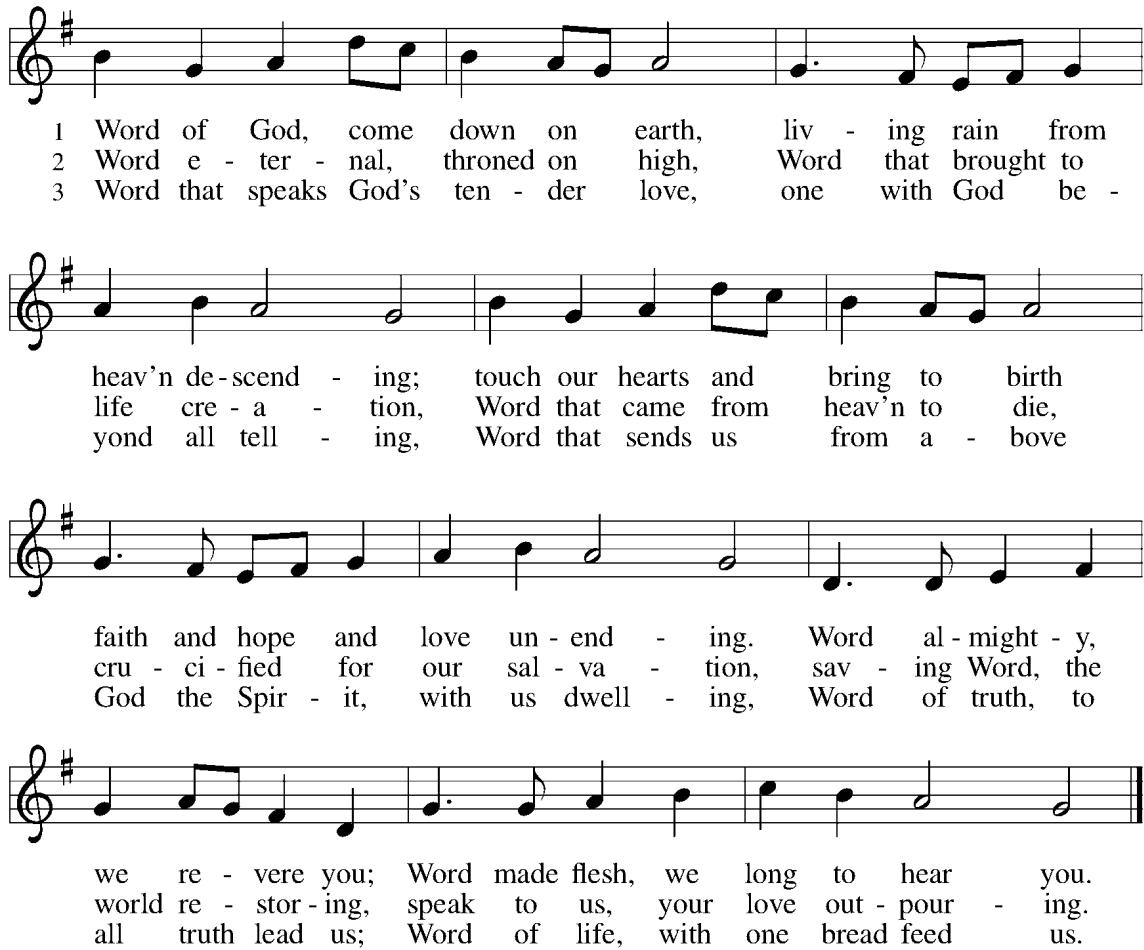
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Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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Word of God, Come Down to Earth

ELW 510



1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to
3 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, one with God be -

heav'n de-scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove

faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,
cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to

we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear - you.
world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

Text: James Quinn, sj, b. 1919

Music: LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER, Johann R. Ahle, 1625-1673

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*After all have communed and returned to their places,
remain seated.*

BLESSING AND PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

☩ SENDING ☩

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH – ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand, as you are able.

BENEDICTION

May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise ☩ bless you now and forever.

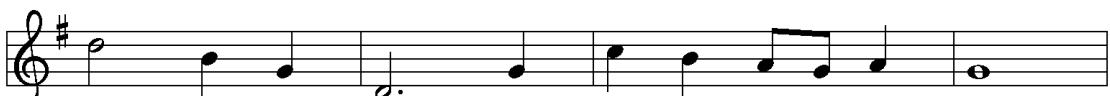
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

O God of Light
ELW 507



1 O God of light, your word, a lamp un - fail - ing,
2 From days of old, through blind and will - ful a - ges,
3 Un - dimmed by time, those words are still re - veal - ing
4 To all the world your sum - mons you are send - ing,



shall pierce the dark - ness of our earth - bound way
though we re - belled, you gent - ly sought a - gain,
to sin - ful hearts your jus - tice and your grace;
through all the earth, to ev - 'ry land and race,



and show your grace, your plan for us un - veil - ing,
and spoke through saints, a - pos - tles, proph - ets, sa - ges,
and quest - ing spir - its, long - ing for your heal - ing,
that myr - iad tongues, in one great an - them blend - ing,



and guide our foot - steps to the per - fect day.
who wrote with ea - ger or re - luc - tant pen.
see your com - pas - sion in the Sav - ior's face.
may praise and cel - e - brate your gift of grace.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



The flowers in the chancel are given to
the glory and praise of God.



ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Assisting Minister: Jeanine Heath
Lector: Kaye Tyson
Bread Provider: Linda Brammer
Altar Guild: Lynn Deschere
Flower Guild: Karen Simonelli

ST. PAUL'S WEEKLY EPISTLE

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 2026

ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent begins on **Wednesday, February 18**, giving us the occasion to admit that we will die and that we are sinners. We will offer services of Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes at **12 Noon and 7 PM**. The 7 PM service will be livestreamed.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting for St. Paul's Lutheran Church will be held on **Sunday, February 22, 2026, at 11:15 AM**. Items on the agenda include approval of the budget, leader elections, and a property motion.

SCOUT SUNDAY

On **February 22**, come early between **8 - 10 AM** and enjoy a breakfast prepared by our Boy Scout Troop. We will then recognize them and their charter at the beginning of worship at **10 AM** as we celebrate Scout Sunday.

ADULT FORUM

The apostle Paul is the author of Romans, a letter to first century believers in Christ living in the capital city of the Roman Empire. What might we learn from their experiences in the Christian faith? What does Paul say about that faith? Join us Sunday mornings at **8:30 AM** in the Blue Room. The Reverend Gregory R. Johnson, PhD will lead the discussion.

HOLY HIKE

Our hike **today is cancelled** due to the cold weather. Our next hike will be on **March 15**.

VALENTINE CARNATION GRAMS

St. Paul's School encourages you to purchase carnations to spread love for Valentine's Day. They can be purchased **now through Thursday, February 12**. Cost is \$3 for 1 carnation; \$5 for 2 carnations; \$10 for 4 carnations. Payment can

be made by cash or check, Venmo (@raecave), or Cash App (\$RaeCave). Fill out an order form with a special note and the recipient's name, and place it and your payment in an envelope. Put them in the receptacle on the school office door. Carnations will be delivered on **Friday, February 13**.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

The Girl Scouts Chesapeake Bay Service Unit 18 is sponsoring a parent's night out on Valentine's Day, **Saturday, February 14 from 5:30 – 8:30 PM here at the church**. Your child(ren) – age 2 and up – are encouraged to wear their pajamas, bring a pillow and a blanket, and enjoy dinner and a movie while you enjoy an evening out. The cost is \$20 for the first child and \$15 for each additional child from the same family. Visit www.tinyurl.com/SU18VALENTINES to sign up.

OWLS ATTEND "ART"

The Older Wiser Lutherans will attend a performance of "Art" by the University of Delaware Resident Players (REP) next **Sunday, February 15 at 2 PM**. If you purchased a ticket, plan to meet outside the Thompson Theatre, located in the Roselle Center for the Arts, 110 Orchard Road on the University of Delaware campus at **1:30 PM**. Public parking is available in the CFA Parking Garage between Elkton Road and Amstel Avenue, payable with the *Passport*_mobile parking app. Dinner on your own will follow at Taverna Rustic Italian, located at 131 East Main Street in Newark.

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Jesus says, I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

John 8:12



Together in Jesus Christ we are freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly, and serve joyfully.



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