St. Paul Lutheran Church Yorktown, Texas



Sunday Morning Polka Service Holy Communion 26th Sunday after Pentecost November 17, 2024

Silent Prayer

We have come, O Lord, not as faithful as we should be, nor as joyful as we could be. Even so, we have been attracted by your faithfulness and your joy. Holy Spirit, teach us this day more about your truth, as revealed by Jesus Christ. Fill us with your promised fulfillment. Challenge us to follow you this moment, this day, this coming week. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, whom we adore as Christ the Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Please take a moment to fill out an Attendance Card. You may leave them in the pew by the center aisle or drop them in the basket at the church entrance. (*) Indicates times in worship when you are invited to stand as you are able. (+)Indicates when it may be appropriate to make the sign of the cross.

*OPENING HYMN "Our Dear Lord and Savior Calls" Tune: Barbara Polka

- "Trust me and obey, follow in my way.

 Turn away from pride and envy, seek humility.

 In my kingdom all are welcome, I have chosen you to be faithful workers with devotion, partners in my ministry."

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- 2 Give us strength to spread your message when the road is long, and the foe we find, clouding heart and mind. When the darkness overshadows guide us with your light. Set our thoughts on heavn'ly glory and your promise, our reward, sharing the eternal banquet with our caring, gracious Lord. God, God of tender mercies send wisdom from above, so that we, as today's disciples may serve in truth and love. God, God of tender mercies send wisdom from above, so that we, as today's disciples may serve in truth and love.

*GREETING and DIALOGUE

- L: 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.
- L: Holy is the LORD, the Almighty.
- C: He was, He is, and He is to come.
- L: He is worthy of glory and honor and power.
- C: He created all things. By His will they came to be.
- L: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;
- C: worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.

L: By His blood He purchased for God

C: people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.

L: Christ made of them a kingdom

C: and priest to serve our God.

L: And they shall reign on earth forever.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

*CONFESSION OF SIN

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

C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

L: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and + remission of all your sins.

C: Amen.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with you forever in the world to come, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Sung to tune of Roll Out the Barrel

Come, let us worship—worship our Savior and Lord.
Come, let us worship—worship the God we adore.
Lift up your voices; lift them in one accord.
Sing your praises to our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Lord!

Come, let us worship—worship Our Savior and Lord.
Come, let us worship—worship the God we adore.
Glory and honor, power and might ever be
to our mighty Lord Creator, God of victory!

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 12:1-3

Lector: A reading from

¹ "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ² Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 16

- ¹ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- ² All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.
- ³ But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
- ⁴ Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- ⁵ O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.
- ⁶ My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- ⁷ I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.
- ⁸ I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall.
- ⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
- ¹⁰ For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.
- ¹¹ You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 10:11-25

Lector: A reading from ______.

16 "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:I will put my laws in their hearts,

and I will write them on their minds,"

¹⁷ he also adds.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Sung to tune of I'll Be All Smiles Tonight Waltz

Now turn your eyes to Jesus, Our Savior and our Lord, Who bled and died to save us That sin may be no more, Who gives us grace and mercy And never-ending love. We live by faith and follow His true redeeming word.

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³ and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. ¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

[&]quot;I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*GOSPEL Mark 13:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to , the chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ² Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "I Will Sing My Praises to the Lord"

Tune: Owl Polka (words based on Ps 146)

I will sing my praises to the Lord; O praise the Lord, my soul.

To the one who always keeps his word; O praise the Lord, my soul.

Our great Lord creator of the world and all there in:

Brings new hope and blesses ev'ryone who puts their trust in him.

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Brings new hope and blesses ev'ryone who puts their trust in him.

God, our maker loves his chosen ones; and cares for those in need.

Lifting high the weak and lowly ones, and setting captives free.

Caring for the stranger, giving justice to the poor,

He will reign on earth as King of Kings, and Lord forevermore.

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He will reign on earth as King of Kings, and Lord forevermore.

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

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

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection + of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYERS

P: ... Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING

Tune: Come Joe to Us Polka

* OFFERTORY

Bless, Lord, our offerings; bless, Lord, the gifts we bring.

Help us to give our lives for you in sacrifice; in service true.

Mindful of blessings you bestow keep our hearts thankful here below

*OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Wise and Gracious God,

C: Receive the labor of our hands—these gifts of money, bread, and wine—along with the offering of our lives. Nourish us with the life of your Son, that we might be His body in the world, making known your abundant mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you

C: And may he be with you

P: Let us lift our hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give our thanks and praise

C: To our God our voices raise

P: It is right to do

C: To give praise, Lord, to you

*PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and 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:

*SANCTUS Tune: Julida Polka

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Great God of power and might adored!

Heaven and earth cannot contain all of the glories of your holy name!

Blessed is He who comes in God's name—

Blessed is he who comes in God's name.

Hail! Hosanna! Let us sing praises to our great mighty Lord and King!

* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

C: When Jesus was betrayed, He took the loaf and prayed. He broke and gave to them the bread and then to his disciples said:

Tune: Go to Sleep Children Waltz

P: My body, broken for you. Take it and live anew. Do this when you remember me, And with you I will be.

C: And when the meal was o'er Our Savior spoke once more. He offered thanks, He lifted up and gave to them the sacred cup.

P: My blood, now shed for your sins. Drink it and be forgiv'n Do this when you remember me, And with you I will be

*LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION of the ELEMENTS

All those who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the sacrament are welcome at His table. Those who are unable to receive communion, for any reason, may come forward to receive a blessing, and may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest. Parents, please indicate if children are to receive communion. If they are not yet receiving communion, children are encouraged to come to the table to receive a blessing. Available in the center of each tray is juice for those choosing not to drink wine. If you are unable to come to the altar and wish to receive communion, please inform the ushers so that the sacrament may be brought to you.

<u>LAMB OF GOD</u>

Tune: Carpenters Waltz

Jesus Christ, Lamb of God, grant us peace and mercy now. Free us from all our sins, make us pure, pure within. Free us from all our sins, make us pure, pure within.

COMMUNION HYMNS

How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

- When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain
 - 3 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my burden gladly bearing he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*
- 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

 Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" Refrain

I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!

I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain*

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with spiritual food, the body and blood of Christ. All who come to you will not hunger, all who believe in you will not thirst. Empowered by this sacrament, send us back into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to share the gospel and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you And be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. Amen.

*SENDING SONG

We now leave God's holy table, strengthened and restored. From the feast which we remember Jesus Christ, our Lord. This heav'nly meal revives us, this heav'nly meal uplifts us, the meal of true salvation, for all believers given.

We now leave God's holy table, strengthened and restored. As we leave this house of worship on our homeward way, Keep the message of the Savior in your hearts today. Let's share with all the others, our sisters and our brothers, and tell the saving story, so all may know God's glory. As we leave this house of worship, follow in God's way.

Tune: Shiner Polka

*DISMISSAL

P: As you go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. As you leave, you are invited to share the peace of the Lord with those around you. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENT BULLETIN Polka Band Service Sunday, November 17, 2024

HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES:

NOVEMBER 17, 2024 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

Polka Band Service

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tim W Muehlbrad **Reader:** Gwen Kneese

<u>Acolytes:</u> Maesen Foerster & Sadie Schustereit

Musician: Saturday – PT & Friends

Children's Sermon: Terry Carmichael
Sunday – Polka Spirit Band of Shiner

Saturday Altar Guild: Patsy Ibrom

NOVEMBER 24, 2024 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

Christ the King

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tim W Muehlbrad **Reader:** Hilary Gohmert

Acolytes: Paige & Madilynn Rippamonti

Musician: Saturday – Luellen Smiley Sunday – Beverly Bruns

Saturday Altar Guild: Laura Kaiser

Helping with Worship during the month of November:

Head Usher: Ricky Hilbrich

Ushers: Ronnie Afflerbach, Wryston Fischer, Christopher Gohmert, & Allen Machost

Saturday Usher: Albert Metting

Altar Guild: Linda Hurta and Luellen Smiley

KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:

Thank you to all who have been helpful in keeping the Pastor informed of members who are hospitalized.

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE Below is a list of individuals Pastor has been asked to include in our prayers during worship. We list these people in our bulletin to encourage you, the members, to include them in your daily prayers. *Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless the request is renewed.*

| Joe Barnes | Daniel Goehring | Christy Paulsgrove |
|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Donna Baxter | Rosa Horton | Pam Roth |
| Caroline Blain | Keith Ibrom | Michael & Dorothy Sinast |
| Caylen Boehm & Baby Kelsi | Joanna Ivy | Joan Smith |
| Warner Borth | Shirley Jendrzey | Kennedy Smith |
| Katherine Brown | Alberto Jimenez, Jr | Wayne Sparck |
| David Brucker | Bonnie Kaiser | Lori Nelson Stenger |
| Virginia Buesing | Mary Kanuch | Mike & Deborah Stern |
| Bette Carruthers | Joyce Lamprecht | Alma Suggs |
| Carl Clyne | Ray Lange | Judy Taylor |
| Teresa Evans | Lin Migura | Chandler Vaclavik |
| Verda Mae Foerster | Lanie Milliff | Mark Weischwill |
| Amber Gloor | Mark Niemeier | Levi Wilhelmsen |
| Kathryn Gloor | David Norrell | Ron & Marjorie Wilhelmsen |
| Tiffany Godby | | |

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| Sunday (17th) | Polka Band Service | | |
| | 9:00 am | Worship with Holy Communion | |
| | 10:15 am | Sunday School – Christmas Program Costume Fitting | |
| | 11:30 am | Meal Hosted by Christian Life – Fellowship Hall | |
| | 1-3:00 pm | Bunco for Everyone – Fellowship Hall | |
| Monday (18th) | NEWSLETTER DEADLINE | | |
| Tuesday (19th) | 6:00 pm | Youth Committee Meeting | |
| Wednesday (20th) | 9:15 am | The Learning Garden Chapel | |
| | 9:30 am | Do-Day | |
| | 6:00 pm | FFF | |
| Saturday (23 rd) | 9-11 am | Christmas Program Practice | |
| | 5:00 pm | Worship with Holy Communion | |
| Sunday (24th) | Baptism of I | Elizabeth Gohmert | |
| | Fellowship Hall Reserved – C. Gohmert | | |
| | 9:00 am | Worship with Holy Communion | |
| | 10:15 am | Sunday School | |



Congratulations to Caylen Boehm and Walker Camp on the birth of their baby girl, Kelsi Faye, born November 8, 2024!

EDUCATIONAL BUILDING WINDOWS: Council has approved a bid of \$57,185.00 to replace all of the outside windows in the Educational Building & Fellowship Hall. If you would like to make a donation to this project, please label your offering "WINDOWS". Any help is greatly appreciated!

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available for pick up in the Sanctuary. You can also call the office (564-2135) and make arrangements to receive them.

THE FLOWER CHART for 2025 has been posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Make sure you get your name beside the date you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary.

* Remember: Don't forget to contact a flower shop to make arrangements for the flowers, and please pick them up after Sunday service.

<u>COWBOY CLAUS</u>: We will be collecting monetary gifts for the "Cowboy Claus" program, supported by the Western Days Committee this year. Make checks out to St. Paul with a notation for "Cowboy Claus." Place cash gifts in an envelope labeled "Cowboy Claus." Let's help a child have a Merry Christmas! <u>Deadline is Sunday, December 1, 2024!</u>

<u>THANKOFFERING</u>: The Women of the Church celebrated their annual Thankoffering Service on Sunday, November 10, 2024. Michael Dittrich, a member of the NALC Disaster Response, was our guest speaker.

This year, 75% of our Thankoffering will go to Disaster Response and 25% to YAM. Please prayerfully give what you can to support these two ministries. As we all know, the recent hurricanes devastated parts of Florida and North Carolina, leaving people homeless, hungry, and without power.

We will accept your offering until December 6, 2024. You may use a pew envelope or designate your check with Thankoffering. Please give generously.

<u>IT'S TIME TO ORDER YOUR POINSETTIA!</u> Deadline to order Poinsettias is Sunday, December 1, 2024. Order forms may be found in the Narthex, Annex and Educational Building.

<u>CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 2024 NEWS!</u> This year the Children's Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2024. Please help your children memorize their lines and help them keep up with their copy of their lines to use during the first practice. Costume fitting will be held on Sunday, November 17th during the Sunday School hour. Practice days will be Saturday, November 23rd from 9-11 a.m., Sunday, December 1st, from 2-4 p.m. and Saturday, December 7th, from 9-11 a.m. Thank you, Zoe Innocenti

Upcoming Christian Life Events:

November 17, 2024 – A meal will be provided following the Polka Band Service. Sign Up sheets will be in the Narthex, Annex, and by the Church office. The Congregation is asked to bring desserts.

<u>December 8, 2024</u> – A catered Christmas Feast will be held after the Sunday School Christmas program. Sign Up sheets will be in the Narthex, Annex, and by the Church office. You can also call the office to sign up. Deadline to sign up is Monday, **December 2, 2024**. The Congregation is asked to bring desserts.

Upcoming Youth Events

November 17, 2024 – Bunco 1:00 – 3:00 pm – Fellowship Hall December 15, 2024 – Christmas Caroling w/4H

AREA EVENTS

COOKING WELL WITH DIABETES: Cooking Well with Diabetes is a cooking class designed to help people with diabetes and anyone that prepares food for them. This four-lesson course includes basic nutrition education to help plan meals and prepare food for people living with diabetes. Find quick dinner ideas and gain access to 25+ recipes that will help you cook well with diabetes. Dates are November 14, 15, 21, & 22, 2024 from 11am – 1pm at the Yorktown EMS office. For more information, please contact Amy Lamprecht or Denise Goebel at the DeWitt County Extension Service 361-275-0816. Registration is free, so please make plans to attend!

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