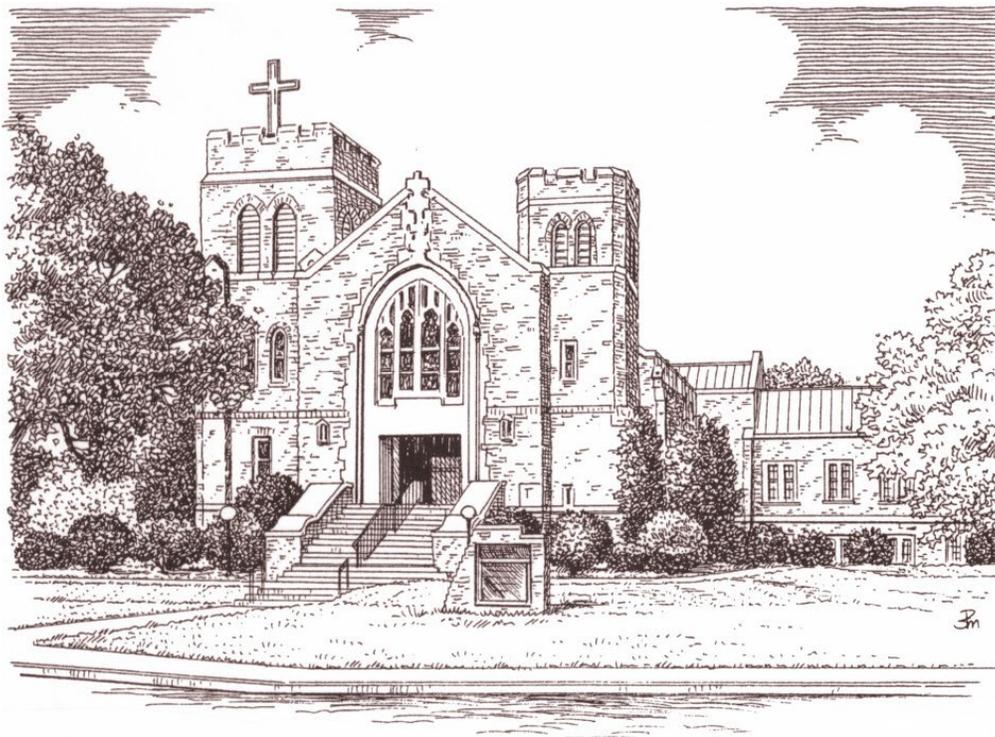


# *St. Paul Lutheran Church*

## *Yorktown, TX*



*Saturday and Sunday  
Holy Communion Services  
4th Sunday of Lent  
March 15, 2026*

### **Silent Prayer**

Yes, Lord, teach us to wait. You are eternal. In you we find freedom from the tyranny of time. You have given us the minutes and hours of our days not to enslave us, but to give order. Help us to use this hour wisely, to wait, and experience your nearness. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

### **PRELUDE**

### **RINGING OF THE BELL**

**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.

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain” **LBW #301**

**Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain**

**LBW301**



1 Come to Cal-v'ry's ho - ly moun-tain, sin - ners, ru - ined by the fall;  
2 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, wound-ed, im - po - tent, and blind;  
3 Those who drink shall live for - ev - er; 'tis a soul re - new-ing flood.



here a pure and heal-ing foun-tain flows to you, to me, to all,  
here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion, here the trou-bled peace may find.  
God is faith - ful; God will nev - er break his cov - e - nant of blood,



in a full per - pet - ual tide, o - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
Health this foun-tain will re-store; those who drink shall thirst no more.  
signed when our re - deem-er died, sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854  
Music: NAAR MIT ÖIE, Ludwig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

**\*DIALOG and CONFESSION**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods before Me.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: Honor your father and your mother.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: You shall not kill.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: You shall not commit adultery.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: You shall not steal.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant, or his maidservant, or his cattle, or anything that is your neighbor's.

**C: Amen. Lord have mercy.**

P: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

**C: Almighty God, Merciful Father; I a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment. But I am sorry for them, and repent of them, and pray for your boundless mercy. For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.**

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**C: Who has made the heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

**C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live. Therefore, we implore him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit that those things may please him which we do on this day, that the rest of our life may be pure and holy, and that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day.

**C: Almighty God, grant that we, who for our evil deeds worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of your grace, may mercifully be relieved; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**HYMN**

“In the Hour of Trial” **LBW #106**

**In the Hour of Trial**



1 In the hour of tri - al, Je - sus, plead for me,  
 2 With for - bid - den plea - sures should this vain world charm,  
 3 Should thy mer - cy send me sor - row, toil, and woe,



lest by base de - ni - al I de - part from thee.  
 or its sor - did trea - sures spread to work me harm,  
 or should pain at - tend me on my path be - low,



When thou seest me wa - ver, with a look re - call;  
 bring to my re - mem - brance sad Geth - sem - a - ne,  
 grant that I may nev - er fail thy hand to see;



nor from fear or fa - vor suf - fer me to fall.  
 or, in dark - er sem - blance, cross-crowned Cal - va - ry.  
 grant that I may ev - er cast my care on thee.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854  
 Music: PENITENCE, Spencer Lane, 1843–1903

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:14-21**

Lector: A reading from \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>14</sup>For a long time I have held my peace; I have kept still and restrained myself; now I will cry out like a woman in labor; I will gasp and pant. <sup>15</sup>I will lay waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their vegetation; I will turn the rivers into islands, and dry up the pools. <sup>16</sup>And I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them. <sup>17</sup>They are turned back and utterly put to shame, who trust in carved idols,

who say to metal images, "You are our gods." <sup>18</sup>Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see! <sup>19</sup>Who is blind but my servant, or deaf as my messenger whom I send? Who is blind as my dedicated one, or blind as the servant of the LORD? <sup>20</sup>He sees many things, but does not observe them; his ears are open, but he does not hear. <sup>21</sup>The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake, to magnify his law and make it glorious.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 142**

<sup>1</sup>With my voice I cry out to the LORD; with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD.

**<sup>2</sup>I pour out my complaint before him; I tell my trouble before him.**

<sup>3</sup>When my spirit faints within me, you know my way!

In the path where I walk they have hidden a trap for me.

**<sup>4</sup>Look to the right and see: there is none who takes notice of me;  
no refuge remains to me; no one cares for my soul.**

<sup>5</sup>I cry to you, O LORD; I say, "You are my refuge,  
my portion in the land of the living."

**<sup>6</sup>Attend to my cry, for I am brought very low!**

**Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are too strong for me!**

<sup>7</sup>Bring me out of prison, that I may give thanks to your name!

The righteous will surround me, for you will deal bountifully with me.

### **SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:8-14**

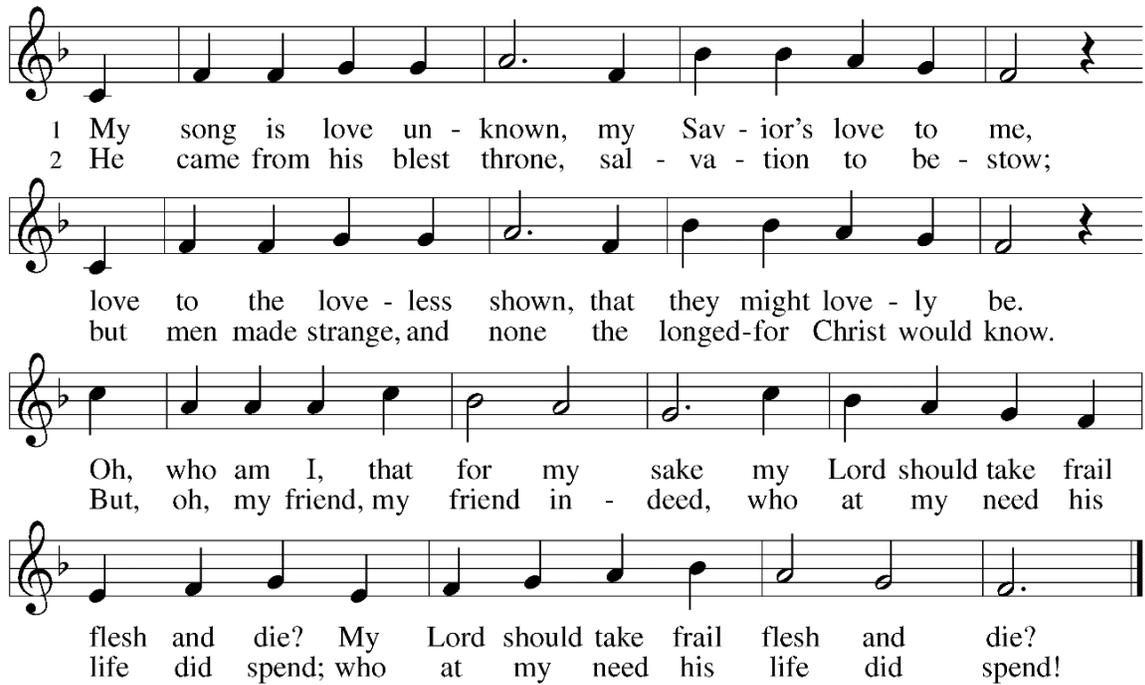
Lector: A reading from \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>8</sup>... For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup>(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup>and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup>But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God**

### **\*GOSPEL VERSE**



1 My song is love un-known, my Sav-ior's love to me,  
 2 He came from his blest throne, sal-va-tion to be-stow;  
 love to the love-less shown, that they might love-ly be.  
 but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know.  
 Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail  
 But, oh, my friend, my friend in-deed, who at my need his  
 flesh and die? My Lord should take frail flesh and die?  
 life did spend; who at my need his life did spend!

**\*GOSPEL: John 9:1-41**

P: The Holy Gospel according to \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>As {Jesus} passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. <sup>4</sup>We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. <sup>5</sup>As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." <sup>6</sup>Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud <sup>7</sup>and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. <sup>8</sup>The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" <sup>9</sup>Some said, "It is he." Others said, "No, but he is like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." <sup>10</sup>So they said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" <sup>11</sup>He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup>They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." <sup>13</sup>They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup>Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup>So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." <sup>16</sup>Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. <sup>17</sup>So

they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." <sup>18</sup>The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup>and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" <sup>20</sup>His parents answered, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. <sup>21</sup>But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup>(His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.) <sup>23</sup>Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." <sup>24</sup>So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner." <sup>25</sup>He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." <sup>26</sup>They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" <sup>27</sup>He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" <sup>28</sup>And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup>We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." <sup>30</sup>The man answered, "Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup>We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. <sup>32</sup>Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. <sup>33</sup>If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." <sup>34</sup>They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. <sup>35</sup>Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup>He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" <sup>37</sup>Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you." <sup>38</sup>He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind." <sup>40</sup>Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, "Are we also blind?" <sup>41</sup>Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## **SERMON**

**Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**



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-ened 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.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984  
Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844  
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### **\*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.**

### **\*THE PRAYERS**

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

### **OFFERING**

### **\*OFFERTORY**



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Text: Claire Cloninger  
 Music: Martin J. Nystrom  
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### **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C: **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **\*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.**

### **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.

**COMMUNION HYMN:**      *“Lamb of God”*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

**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, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**\*BLESSING:**

P: May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart.

**C: Amen.**

P: May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds.

**C: Amen.**

P: May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace.

**C: Amen.**

P: And may God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

“Abide With Me”      **LBW #272**

# Abide with Me



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
 2 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;  
 3 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;  
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes,



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.  
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?  
 earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;  
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.  
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?  
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see;  
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?  
 heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



help of the help - less, oh, a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, oh, a - bide with me.  
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.  
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me!  
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847  
 Music: EVENTIDE, William H. Monk, 1823–1889

## **\*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**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

**Sunday, March 15, 2026**

**HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES:**

**MARCH 15, 2026 – 9:00 AM SERVICE**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

**Presiding Minister:** Tim W. Muehlbrad

**Reader:** Walter Pfenninger

**Acolytes:** Gwen & Hannah Kneese

**Children’s Sermon:** Terry Carmichael

**Musicians:** Luellen Smiley

Sunday: Beverly Bruns

**Saturday Altar Guild:** Luellen Smiley

**MARCH 22, 2026 – 9:00 AM SERVICE**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

**Presiding Minister:** Tim W. Muehlbrad

**Reader:** Boyd Weise

**Acolytes:** Landrey Koopmann & Madilynn Rippamonti

**Children’s Sermon:** Terry Carmichael

**Musicians:** PT & Friends

Sunday: PT & Friends/Luellen

**Saturday Altar Guild:** Laura Kaiser

**Helping with Worship during the month of March:**

**Head Usher:** Darren Seifert

**Ushers:** Kurt Foerster, Trent Foerster, Kevin Styra, Mark Weischwill

**Saturday Usher:** Albert Metting

**Altar Guild:** Wysenda Fischer & Wycoda Janysek

**KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:**

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

**Larry Mueller**

**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	Joanna Ivy	The Family of Nick Picard
Caroline Blain	Kate Janis	Jeannine Robinson
Carlton Bolting	Alberto Jimenez, Jr.	Pam Roth
Margie Bolting	Clinton Kaiser	Aubrie Ruppert
Wade Bolting	Mary Kanuch	Mary Sauermilch
Warner Borth	Lana Krietsch	Joan Smith
David Brucker	Ray Lange	Lori Nelson Stenger
Virginia Buesing	Janet Lemke	Alma Suggs
Gary Deskin	Elaine Malina	Judy Taylor
Julie Dupree	Bea McNabb	Gary Turner

Kathryn Gloor	Lin Migura	Chandler Vaclavik
Tiffany Godby	Lanie Milliff	Nelda Valdez
Daniel Goehring	Larry & Carole Mueller	Baby Mae Weischwill
Nancy Guidry	David Norrell	Mark Weischwill
Rosa Horton	Jordan Peterson	Ron & Marjorie Wilhelmsen
Keith Ibrom		

**ST. PAUL OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:**

<b>Sunday (15<sup>th</sup>)</b>	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School
<b>Monday (16<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	
<b>Tuesday (17<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Do-Day</b>
<b>Wednesday (18<sup>th</sup>)</b>	9:00 am	TLG Chapel
	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Lent Service in the Chapel</b>
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Supper at San Luis Catholic Church</b>
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Lent Service at San Luis Catholic Church</b>
<b>Thursday (19<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Guitar Practice</b>
<b>Saturday (21<sup>st</sup>)</b>	5:00 pm	Worship with Holy Communion
<b>Sunday (22<sup>nd</sup>)</b>	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School

**NEW MEMBER SUNDAY:** We will be having a new member celebration on Sunday, May 3, 2026. A nacho bar lunch and a welcome reception will be at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a member, please contact Pastor Tim or the church office.

**SR. RECOGNITION SUNDAY, MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>** - On Sunday, May 17, 2026, we will recognize our graduating seniors: Addison Corpus, Wade Dueser, Ty Fehner, Marley Hurta, Zoe Irvin and Connor Saunders. Join us as we proudly recognize their accomplishments and extend our best wishes for their future! Each of these seniors will be eligible for a scholarship from St. Paul Lutheran Church. If anyone would like to contribute, donations/memorials can be made to the Sr. Scholarship Fund at any time during the year. Your generosity has and will continue to make a difference in the future of our youth! **CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2026!!!** *If you do not see your graduating senior's name on our list, please contact Bonnie Riedesel or the church office.*

**JOB OPENING:** We are now accepting applications for a full-time office secretary. Please call the office at 361-564-2135 or send an email to [stpaulykt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stpaulykt@sbcglobal.net) to receive a job description and application.

**OFFICE TRANSITION:** While we are in the process of looking for a new secretary, Katie Serrano has agreed to fill in until a replacement has been found. Our office hours will vary slightly due to Katie having prior engagements. We ask that you call prior to coming to the office to make sure someone is here to assist you.

**ORDER YOUR EASTER LILIES! Don't wait; order today!** – Order deadline is Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Order forms may be found in the Narthex, Annex and in the Educational Building.

**YOUTH SPORTS COURT:**

At the Called Congregational meeting in July, the youth sports complex was approved. We have now collected 65% of the funds and can start on the complex, but we still need to collect the rest to pay for the whole project. The original bid was \$130,700 and we are currently at \$118,838.08. If you would like to donate to complete this project, please label your offering envelope "Youth Sports Court".

**LENTEN DEVOTION:**

"From Light, Into Dark, Into The Light," a Lenten devotion will appear on the church Facebook site each week in Lent to assist you in this journey of faith during this season.

**Join us after church on Palm Sunday for...**

A Taste of the Seder

Everyone is invited to meet in the Fellowship Hall on March 29th immediately following the Palm Sunday Service. We will learn about the traditional Passover Seder Meal celebrated by the Jewish people and how it relates to our faith as Christians. Traditional Seder foods will be provided.

Help needed:

1. High School and Junior High youth are needed to serve as table leaders for the Seder Meal. They will assist with the foot washing and serve drinks/food at their table.
2. Adult volunteers who can help with food preparation, kitchen help during the meal, or clean-up following the meal are also needed.
3. New this Year - We need your voice! We will practice the songs for the Seder Meal on March 12th and 26th from 6:00 - 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. If you love to sing and would like to help lead the music during the Seder Meal, please join us. Youth and adults are welcome.

If you are interested in helping please contact Lori Kneese or the church office to sign up.

Thank you!

**Upcoming Christian Life Events:**

May 3, 2026 – Nacho Bar-Fellowship Hall

**Upcoming Youth and Family Events:**

April 5, 2026 – Easter Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt

May 10, 2026 – Muffins w/Mom-Fellowship Hall

**WNALC South Texas Mission District** Gathering will be Saturday, April 11, 2026, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Goliad, Tx. Deadline to register is Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Forms may be sent by a group or individual. Registration is \$20 per person.

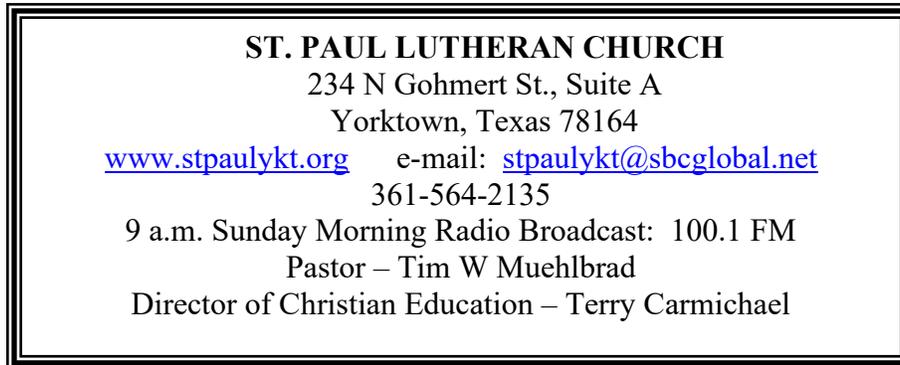
Registration forms can be picked up at our Church office or call 361-564-2135 to request a copy emailed to you.

## AREA EVENTS

**Yorktown Nursing & Rehabilitation** – Easter Celebration on Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2-4 pm. Currently accepting donations for the Easter party at the nursing home. Any and all Easter donations are welcomed and appreciated! Things needed are plastic fillable Easter eggs, snacks/drinks, confetti eggs, Easter baskets, and individually wrapped candy to fill eggs. Anyone is Welcomed! Any questions or need to drop off a donation, please contact Gena at 361-491-9879.

**Yorktown City Wide Spring Clean Up** – Monday, March 23 – Friday, March 27, 2026

**Yorktown Community Easter Egg Hunt** – March 28, 2026 at 10:00am



### LENT and EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2026

#### **March 18 – LENT**

10:00 am Midweek Lenten Service in the Chapel  
6:00 pm Supper at San Luis Catholic Church  
7:00 pm Midweek Lenten Service at San Luis Catholic Church

#### **March 25 – LENT**

10:00 am Midweek Lenten Service in the Chapel  
6:00 pm Supper at First United Methodist Church  
7:00 pm Midweek Lenten Service at First United Methodist Church

#### **March 29 – PALM SUNDAY**

9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
10:15 am Seder Meal during Sunday School Hour

#### **April 2 – MAUNDY THURSDAY**

7:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion in the Sanctuary

#### **April 3 – GOOD FRIDAY**

10:00 am Good Friday Worship Service in the Chapel  
7:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service in the Sanctuary

#### **April 4 – NO SATURDAY SERVICE**

#### **April 5 – EASTER**

7:00 am Early Service Worship with Holy Communion  
8:00 am Easter Breakfast  
9:15 am Sunday School/Easter Egg Hunt  
10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion

#### **April 12 – DECORATION DAY**

10:30 am Cemetery Decoration Service at St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery

**Children's Sunday School will be at the Cemetery during Decoration Day.**