

✠ St. Paul's Lutheran Church ✠
Kenesaw, NE

Pastor Paul S. Duffy

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Organist: Mrs. LaMoine Fischer

Sunday School/Bible Class 9:00am

Acolyte: Jenna Jaeschke

Divine Service 10:00am

Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2015

AS WE GATHER

When God sent His Son to save us, we like Peter, may be shocked that it would take nothing less than His own suffering and cruel death on the cross. It is a price far beyond what we are able to pay. But it has been paid for us. The repentant soul sees the great Passion of God for us, and God gives us the desire to "deny self, take up the cross, and follow" Jesus.

Divine Service, *Setting Four* p. 203

Opening Hymn p. 915 "Today, Your Mercy Calls Us"

Confession and Absolution p. 203

Psalm 22:23-31

You who fear the Lord, praise Him!

All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him,
and stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel!

For He has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the
afflicted,

and He has not hidden His face from him,

but has heard, when he cried to Him.

From You comes my praise in the great congregation;

my vows I will perform before those who fear Him.

The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;

those who seek Him shall praise the Lord!

May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.

For kingship belongs to the Lord,
and He rules over the nations.

All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;
before Him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep himself alive.

Posterity shall serve Him;

it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;
they shall come and proclaim His righteousness to a people
yet unborn,

that He has done it.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE
HOLY SPIRIT; AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND
WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN.

Kyrie p. 204

Gloria in Excelsis p. 204 (*Omitted during Lent*)

Salutation and Collect of the Day p. 205

Old Testament Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before Me, and be blameless, that I may make My covenant between Me and you, and may multiply you greatly." Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, "Behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Epistle Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and

character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

St. Paul's Choir Selection "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"

Alleluia and Verse p. 205 (Omitted during Lent)

Holy Gospel Mark 8:27-38

And Jesus went on with His disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way He asked His disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they told Him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." And He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered Him, "You are the Christ." And He strictly charged them to tell no one about Him.

And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. And He said this plainly. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. But turning and seeing His disciples, He rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind Me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

And calling the crowd to Him with His disciples, He said to them, "If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

Nicene Creed p. 206

Hymn of the Day p. 708 "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"

Sermon "Grace That Abounds" (Romans 5:1-2)

Prayer of the Church (P: Let us pray to the Lord... C: Lord, have mercy.)

Offering and Musical Offering

† **Service of the Sacrament p. 208** †

Parents are welcome to bring their children to the altar for a blessing

Communion Hymn p. 743 "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

Nunc Dimitis Song of Simeon p. 211

Post Communion Collect p. 212

Benedicamus and Benediction p. 212

Closing Hymn p. 722 "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"



St. Paul's Mission Calendar

Today	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class
†	10:00 AM	Communion Worship (common cup)
	5:00 PM	LLL Zone 8 Spring Rally Christ Lutheran, Juniata
Mon.	9:00 AM	Bible Study
Wed.	† 10:00 AM	Haven Home Worship
	3:30 PM	Midweek
	6:30 PM	Confirmation
	5:30 - 7:00 PM	Preschool serves Spaghetti supper
†	7:30 PM	Ash Wednesday Service Choir & LLL following service
Thurs.	2:00 PM	Ladies Aid
Tues. - Thurs.	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Preschool
	12:45 PM - 3:15 PM	Preschool

LLL Zone 8 Spring Rally: Sunday, March 1, 2015
 At Christ Lutheran-Juniata. Registration 5:00 PM \$12
 Meal at 5:30 PM Speaker is the Rev. Chad Boggs
 of Red Cloud "Military Chaplaincy"



Lenten Supper: The Preschool will serve spaghetti, garlic bread and vegetables. March 4th, 5:30 - 7:00 PM in the fellowship hall. Free-will offering proceeds will go towards new preschool toys and supplies. *Please plan to join us!*



Wednesday March 4th
Lenten Worship Service
 7:30 PM

This year's Lenten theme "I Tell You the Truth" continues this week with Jesus' attention getting and faith building statement, "Fruits of Faith Will be Remembered." based on Mark 14:1-9.

Plan on joining us every Wednesday evening during Lent!

The Fellowship League thanks everyone who attended our potato bar. . . Your generous donations will help us to continue supporting our missionary Sharon Owens. . . God Bless You!

Daylight Savings Time Begins: Sun., March 8th
Spring forward. Set clocks ahead one hour before retiring Saturday night.



Kenesaw Volunteer Fire Dept. Soup Supper: Sun., March 8th, 5:00 - 7:00 PM Kenesaw Fire Hall. Fight off this winters chill by joining them for chili, vegetable beef and chicken noodle soup, plus pies, cakes and desserts. Free-will offering goes toward purchasing new equipment and supplies.

Remember to welcome strangers, because some who have done this have welcomed angels without knowing it. Heb. 13:2-3

LWR "Baskets of Promise"

Donations for "Baskets of Promise" personal care kits will be accepted each week of Lent. The care kits will be put together during the Sunday School hour on Easter Sunday, April 5th.

The kits will be sent to Lutheran World Relief. A poster on the bulletin board in the education wing shows the items needed to make a kit or pick up a flyer from the table between the mailboxes.



Kit Items Needed

- bars of soap** (4-5 oz., any brand, in original wrapping)
- bath towels** (light-weight, maximum 52" x 27", dark color recommended)
- toothbrushes** (adult size, in original packaging)
- nail clippers** (metal, attached file optional)
- combs**



Thank you for your help!

Mark 8:32 "And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him." Anytime we sin we are acting like Peter: thinking we know better than the Lord. But as Jesus says, such acts stem from Satan. So let us repent: let us trust our Lord Jesus and follow Him. For certainly He has earned our trust with His gracious sacrifice for us. www.lcms.org

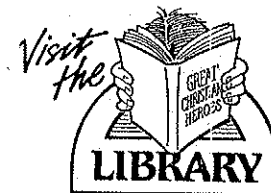
Life Quotes. . .

"As baptized persons, we are sons and daughters of God in Christ. That makes us holy. Holy means being set aside for noble purpose. We are not common, but uncommon. As such, we are usable not just by anyone but by God. What a difference it makes to see ourselves this way."

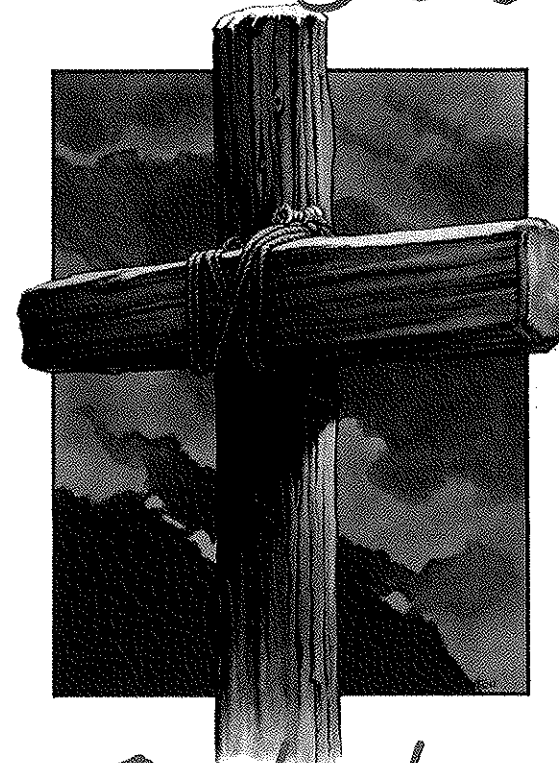
Linda D. Bartlett, titus2-4life.org

www.lutheransforlife.org

This Lenten - Easter season check out items from St. Paul's Library. Follow Jesus' life, steps, trials, crucifixion and resurrection story in books, DVDs and videos.



On the things of God



On the things of man
MARK 8:33

**MONEY POWER SELF THINGS
 GREED REWARDS SIN STATUS
 WANT CONTROL DESIRE GOODS
 ENVY ILLUSION TEMPTATION
 ACHIEVE CONFLICT CONSUME
 CULTURE DESERVE EAT EXCESS
 HAVE INDULGENCE INDIVIDUAL
 IMPULSE MINEMUCH PLEASURE
 REASON STUFFS SORROW MORE
 STRENGTH SUCCESS POSSESS**

Please remember these people in your prayers -
 Pastor Paul Duffy and family

Birthdays:

Mar. 1 Marlin Kimle
3 Nancy Schroeder
7 Sara Linde

In the Service: Austin Applegate, Alec Applegate,
 Trevor Stickels, Julian Tucker,
 Hannah Panwitz, Danielle Burr
 Darren Woodside (brother of Chelsey Jacobitz)

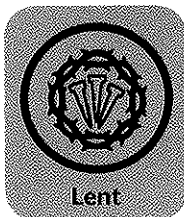
Missionaries: Sharon Owens, Macau, China
 Pastor John Reehl, Russia and the Baltics

Our Expression of Love

February 22, 2015	Attendance 109	
Current Envelope		\$ 772.00
Current Plate		402.50
Fellowship		<u>75.00</u>
Total		\$1,249.50

Our Expression of Love

February 25, 2015	Attendance 65	
Current Envelope		\$175.00
Current Plate		<u>29.00</u>
Total		\$204.00



About the Cover: By seeking to turn Jesus from the path to the cross, Peter demonstrated that his mind was not set "on the things of God" but "on the things of man." It is the way of fallen human reason to avoid suffering, pain, and death. But God turns human reason on its head by embracing these to obtain salvation for our lost race, and He invites us to trust Him and follow.