

*The heavens proclaim His righteousness, and all the peoples see His glory.
For You, O LORD, are Most High over all the earth; You are exalted far above all gods.*

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 22, 2023

9:30 a.m.

This Morning's Hymns

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For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in Heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the Mediator of a New Covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better Word than the blood of Abel.

Hebrews 12:18–24

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread . . . For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is My Body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup, after supper, saying, "This Cup is the New Covenant in My Blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

1 Corinthians 10:16–17; 11:23–29

Who receives this sacrament worthily? Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

Luther's Small Catechism: The Sacrament of the Altar

Falsely are our churches accused of abolishing the Mass; for the Mass is retained among us and celebrated with the highest reverence. Nearly all the usual ceremonies are also preserved . . . For ceremonies are needed to this end alone: that the unlearned be taught what they need to know of Christ . . . The people are accustomed to partake of the Sacrament together, if any be fit for it, and this also increases the reverence and devotion of public worship. For none are admitted except they be first examined.

Augsburg Confession XXIV: Of the Mass

A Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church. We are glad that you have joined us this morning to receive from our gracious God and to offer Him your prayer, praise, and thanksgiving. If this is your first visit to St. Paul, or you have never received the Lord's Supper from Pastor Proctor, we ask that you speak with him or one of the elders before receiving Holy Communion. Children and adults who are not permitted to the Sacrament of the Altar may come forward and cross their arms against their chest to indicate they would like to receive a blessing at the rail.

✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✠

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

C who made Heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O Almighty God, Merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Introit

Psalm 97:1, 10–12; antiphon: Psalm 97:6, 9



The heavens proclaim His | righteousness,
and all the peoples see His | glory.*

For You, O LORD, are Most High over | all the earth;
You are exalted far a- | bove all gods.*

**The LORD reigns, let the | earth rejoice;*
let the many coast- | lands be glad!**

O you who love the LORD, hate | evil!*

He preserves the lives of His saints; He delivers them from the hand of the | wicked.

**Light is sown for the | righteous,*
and joy for the up- | right in heart.**

Rejoice in the LORD, O you | righteous,*
and give thanks to His | Holy Name!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

**The heavens proclaim His | righteousness,*
and all the peoples see His | glory.**

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You are exalted far a- | bove all gods.**

Kyrie



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



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

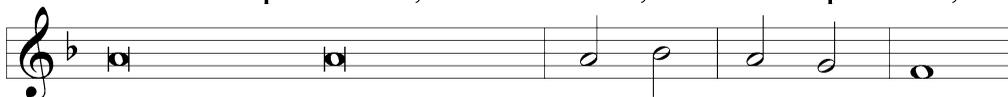
Gloria in Excelsis



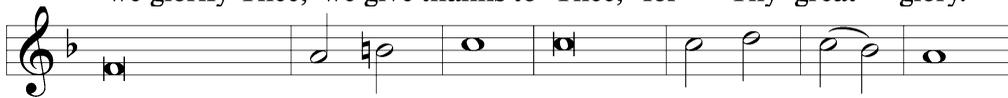
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



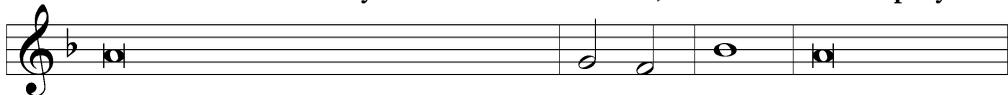
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



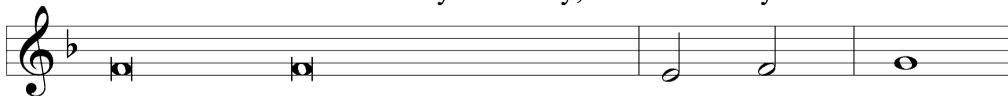
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

saying, “Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean.” ¹¹But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, “Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the Name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?” So he turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants came near and said to him, “My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, ‘Wash, and be clean?’” ¹⁴So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

¹⁵Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him. And he said, “Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 102:15–16



Nations will fear the Name | of the LORD,*
and all the kings of the earth will fear Your | glory.

For the LORD builds up | Zion;*

He appears in His | glory.

Epistle

Romans 12:16b–21

Brethren: ¹⁶Never be wise in your own sight. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” ²⁰To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L This is the Word of the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia & Verse

Psalm 97:1



C Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The LORD reigns, let the | earth rejoice;*
Let the many coast- | lands be glad!



C Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 8:1–13

P The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

At that time: ¹When Jesus came down from the mountain, great crowds followed Him.

²And behold, a leper came to Him and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, if You will, You can make me clean." ³And Jesus stretched out His hand and touched Him, saying, "I will; be clean." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. ⁴And Jesus said to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a proof to them."

⁵When He entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to Him, appealing to Him, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, suffering terribly." ⁷And He said to him, "I will come and heal him." ⁸But the centurion replied, "Lord, I am not worthy to have You come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹For I too am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. And I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." ¹⁰When Jesus heard this, He marveled and said to those who followed Him, "Truly, I tell you, with no one in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹I tell you, many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the Kingdom of Heaven, ¹²while the sons of the Kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness. In that place there will be

weeping and gnashing of teeth.”¹³ And to the centurion Jesus said, “Go; let it be done for you as you have believed.” And the servant was healed at that very moment.

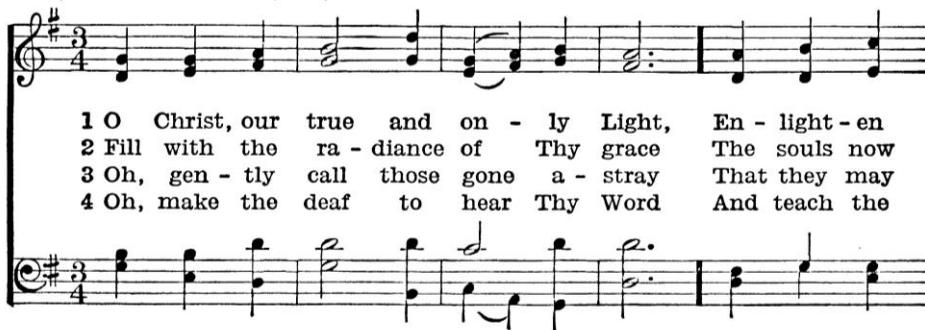
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



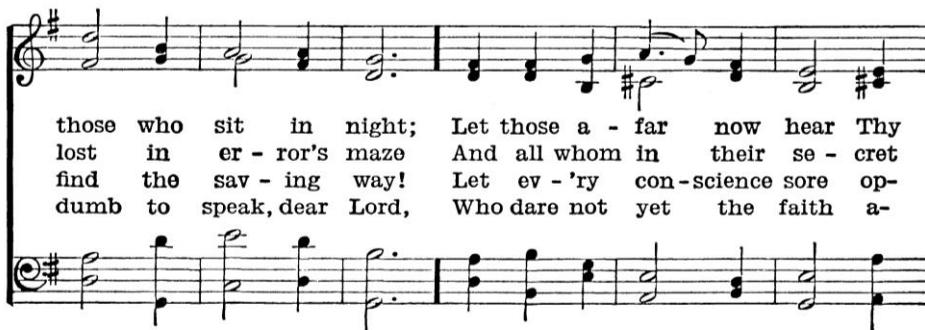
C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

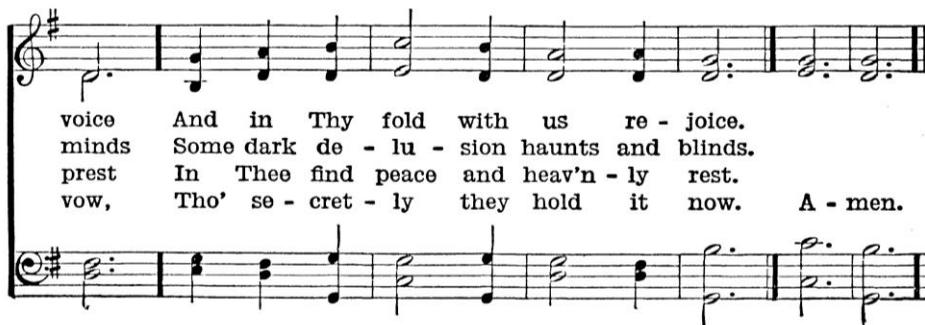
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven *and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man*; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose Kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is *worshiped and glorified*, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in One Holy Christian and Apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly Light, En - light - en
 2 Fill with the ra - diance of Thy grace The souls now
 3 Oh, gen - tly call those gone a - stray That they may
 4 Oh, make the deaf to hear Thy Word And teach the



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now hear Thy
 lost in er - ror's maze And all whom in their se - cret
 find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science sore op -
 dumb to speak, dear Lord, Who dare not yet the faith a -



voice And in Thy fold with us re - joice.
 minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
 prest In Thee find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
 vow, Tho' se - cret - ly they hold it now. A - men.

5 Shine on the darkened and the cold,
 Recall the wanderers to Thy fold,
 Unite all those who walk apart,
 Confirm the weak and doubting heart,

6 So they with us may evermore
 Such grace with wondering thanks adore
 And endless praise to Thee be given
 By all Thy Church in earth and Heaven.

Sermon

Offering

Stand

Offertory



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

At the end of each petition:

P Let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Preface

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven we laud and magnify Your Glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The 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.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C A - men.

Agnus Dei



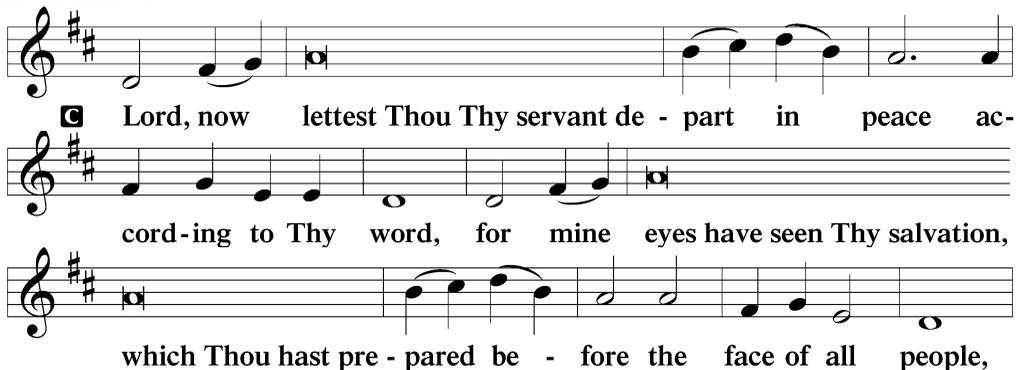
□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Sit

Distribution Hymns

All Depends on Our Possessing	732
Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me	756
God Loved the World So That He Gave	571
Rise, Shine, You People	825

Nunc Dimittis



□ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

P O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good.

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Hymn

Jesus Shall Reign

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"To Shine Forth the Light of God's Love into Our World"

BULLETIN NEWS

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, January 22	9:30am	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am	Adult Bible Class	Irmer Hall
		Sunday School	Mueller Hall
Wednesday, January 25	1:00pm	Bible Study	Library
	3:30pm	Confirmation	Pastor's Study
Saturday, January 28	10:30am	Matins	Sanctuary

BIRTHDAYS

01/24 – Jayden Wininger

01/28 – Kaylee Wininger

ANNIVERSARIES

01/28 – Pr. Jeff & Joan Proctor

VOTERS' ASSEMBLY & CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK – January 29, 2023

The Voters' Assembly to discuss matters pertaining to St. Paul's lease with Great Hearts/Maryvale Preparatory Academy has been rescheduled to Sunday, January 29, 2023, following the Divine Service. That Sunday is also our first 5th Sunday of the year, so we will enjoy spending time together with a meal and other fun activities. No Sunday School or Adult Bible Class that morning.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

We will be collecting canned food items for the next couple of months. These canned food items will be taken to the West Valley Food Pantry for distribution to benefit those in need. Please place your donations on the cart in the narthex.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

On Sunday, February 12, 2023, our congregation will participate in the "Souper Bowl of Caring". This will be an effort to address hunger issues on the day of the NFL Super Bowl.

THEOLOGY FOR WHITE COLLAR, BLUE COLLAR & CLERICAL COLLAR

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: I Am the Resurrection & the Life, Pastoral Visitation, The Nicene Creed, Pastoral Sabbaticals, and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

THANK YOU NOTE FROM DEBBIE DYJAK

Dear Members of Saint Paul Lutheran Church:

Please accept my thanks and love for your support during my time in Abu Dhabi. I truly appreciated the packages (the ones that didn't get lost), letters, and emails. Mostly, though, I enjoyed just watching the church recordings online—seeing your faces and hearing your voices. I would sit here in my room and sing along with you. Also, a big thanks to those who were able to help me with some of the expenses related to my last eye injection. By God's grace, my vision is good enough to travel and work. As many of you know, I've been seeking employment in the UAE the last several months after leaving my position at Kanad Hospital. I realized that God was leading me a different way, at least for now. By the time you get this note, I will be back in the States (Fort Wayne, IN) and beginning the Distance Deaconess program at Concordia Theological Seminary. I will be living on campus for now. While it is extremely difficult to leave my UAE "family," I know God has great plans for me. The opportunity to study Him and His Word is such a blessing in preparing me for service to come in His Kingdom. I look forward to seeing you all this spring and will catch you up on all my UAE adventures.

Love in Christ,

"Sister" Debbie (as I'm called here)

LET US PRAY FOR...

Please keep this list available for your daily devotions. *For prayer requests Church office (623) 846-2228, or email at info@stpaul Lutheran-az.com. Prayer requests are removed after three weeks.*

IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:

Cymantha Makeley – recovering from surgery
Charlie Cook – recovering at home.

Vi Redner – recovering from facial fracture.
Dennis Stonecypher – seeking employment.

ON-GOING CONCERNS:

Christopher Richards – ongoing health issues
Barbara Sand – diagnosed with MDS
Bea Hendricks – fell and currently in a care center
Michael Moreno – recovering from surgery
Kevin Stamm – suffering from back pain
Jon Brant – health problems
Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker, Pat Haas, Judith Kuhajda

Wayne Bartels – ongoing health issues
Suzanne Berna – on dialysis
Suzi Riley – suffering from sleep apnea
Rose Tressler – health issues
Jorge Jimenez – fighting cancer
Doc Dalbey – dealing with back pain

FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Maija Alise Jensen (great grandniece of Marci Brekken) born prematurely on oxygen and feeding tube.
Barbara Peterson (niece of Mary Howard) diagnosed with rare disease and currently in ICU on ventilator with double viral pneumonia and sepsis.
Pam Werdabaugh (mother of Dan Noggle) diagnosed with cancer and undergoing chemotherapy.
Jean Lorenzen (mother of Debbie Dyjak) cognitive function has worsened and has entered a care facility.

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, Joan, serving in Japan. **Deborah Dyjak** serving in Abu Dhabi.
Rev. Steven Massey and son, Marco, serving in Guatemala. **PSWD Missions**
Rev. Stephen Oliver and wife, Maggie, and children, serving in Taiwan and the Asia Region.

PRAY FOR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH/THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD:

The Rev. Jeff Proctor, his wife, Joan, and children, Christian, Olivia (Joseph), Nigel, Fiona & Siwan
Sunday School teachers & children LCMS officers, congregations & schools
Maryvale Preparatory Academy families & staff Lexington Life Academy families & staff

OUR NATION: For all elected and appointed public servants, and all who labor to maintain peace and order.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY (*members, friends, or relatives*): **Juan Garcia, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Gilmore, Ethan Peterman, Julian Perez, Robert Majewski, Mike Nguyen, Jacob Wilson, Lucas Butterfass, Nathanael Dyjak, Erich Dyjak**

OUR SHUT-INS: Anne Smith, Arbutus Wood