



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
ROOTED AND GROWING

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church!
We are glad you're here and pray you experience God's presence in worship today. For those visiting, please fill out a *visitor card* located in the pews and place it in the offering box. Large print bulletins are available. Blessings to you and we hope you join us again.

Baptism of June Wyatt Calvaresi

April 26, 2026 8:15 am

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Bold print indicates congregational responses.

WELCOME AND NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

PRELUDE

“Pastorale”

Edward Broughton

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We worship in the name in which we baptize, in the name of the Father, ✠ the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us together confess our sins.

Jesus, you died on the cross for us and for the world. We have sinned against you and against our neighbor, in thought, word, and deed.

Jesus is risen. Sin and death have been defeated. Your sins are forgiven!

Jesus, you showed the way of compassion and truth. We have not followed you as we ought. Give us strength.

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Jesus, you arose from the grave. Drive away our fears. Fill our hearts with joy!

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Forgiveness declared

***GATHERING HYMN #807 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

***APOSTOLIC GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting Minister, Cantor or Choir



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



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2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



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might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. (CONTINUED)

Final refrain

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READING

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Deacon Emily Myallis

SERMON

Rev. Robert J. Myallis

***HYMN OF THE DAY** #789 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

+ SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM +

We are washed, forgiven, and claimed as God's children forever

INTRODUCTION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. The power of sin is put to death in this holy flood, and we are raised with Jesus Christ to new life. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and sent out in mission for the world.

PRESENTATION

The sponsors, Kerri and Marc Storb, present the candidate for Baptism:

Sponsors: We present June Wyatt Calvaresi for Baptism.

The presiding minister addresses parents, Amber and Anthony Calvaresi:

Trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized?

Response: We do.

As you present June for Holy Baptism, you are entrusted with gifts and responsibilities:

- to bring her to services in God's house
- to teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles Creed and the Ten Commandments
- to provide her with the Holy Bible and instruction about it
- to remind her of her Baptism and bring her to the Lord's Supper
- to nurture her in faith, love and compassion

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: We do.

The presiding minister addresses the sponsors:

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture June in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: We do, with the help of God.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

People of God, do you promise to support June and to pray for her new life in Christ?

Response: We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The presiding minister addresses the parents and sponsors:

P: I ask you to reject sin, profess your faith in Christ, and confess, together with your sisters and brothers, the faith of the Church.

Do you renounce the devil, and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I do renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I do renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you away from God?

Response: I do renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

P: With the whole church in heaven and earth, let us confess our faith.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

**Response: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**Response: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**Response: I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks and praise.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth. You are the river of life. You led your people through the river Jordan and called them to life in covenant. Your Son was baptized in the river Jordan to begin his mission among us. Send your Holy Spirit into this water and into the baptized. Create us all anew that we may serve this needy world; for we trust in the name of Jesus, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

BAPTISM

Water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:

Beloved child of God, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

Child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **C: Amen.**

ADORNING OF ROBE

St. Paul writes that "You who were baptized with Christ have clothed yourselves in Christ." (*Galatians 3:27*)

PRESENTATION OF A CANDLE

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. (*Matthew 5:16*)

WELCOME

Through baptism June has been received into the household of God, entrusted with the good news of Jesus Christ, and strengthened to serve by the Holy and life-giving Spirit.

The Congregation offers a word of welcome:

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and as a fellow disciple.

***PRAYER**

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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***OFFERING SONG**

#377 “Alleluia! Jesus is Risen” Verse 5

**City of God, Easter forever,
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb.
River of life, saints and archangels,
Sing with creation to God the I Am!
Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Merciful God, accept the gifts we bring, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. Amen.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

In the night in which he was betrayed... ..Do this in remembrance of me.
For as often as we do this, we proclaim the great mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*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.

LAMB OF GOD



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



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COMMUNION MUSIC

“Shepherd of My Heart” Tina English, arr. John Purifoy
St. Paul Choir

The Lord is my shepherd, I have everything I need. He lets me rest in green pastures, he leads me to quiet streams. My strength he refreshes, bringing honor to his name. Though I walk through the valley, with him I am not afraid.

Shepherd of my heart, I can hear you calling me. You are there, beside me in the dark. Holding out your hand, you guide me safely home again. Close companion, dearest friend, shepherd of my heart.

The light of your glory goes before me on my way. You honor me with your goodness, your love will keep me safe. My cup brims with blessings from the kindness that you give. I'm secure in your presence as long as I live!

*BLESSING

***SENDING HYMN** #369 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia”

*SENDING

Alleluia! He is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Postlude on Llanfair”

James Mansfield

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CENTERING MUSIC

“Salvation Belongs to Our God”

St. Paul Praise Band

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peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain




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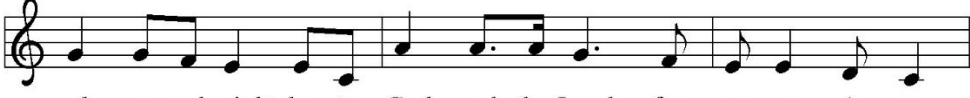
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*HYMN OF THE DAY

“Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me”



What gift of grace is Je - sus, my Re-
The night is) dark, but I am not for-
No fate I) dread, I know I am for-
With ev - 'ry) breath I long to fol - low



deem - er. There is no more for heav - en now to give. He is my
sak - en, for by my side the Sav - iour, he will stay. I lab - our
giv - en, the fu - ture sure, the price, it has been paid. For Je - sus
Je - sus, for he has said that he will bring me home. And day by



joy, my right - eous - ness and free - dom, my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less
on in weak - ness and re - joic - ing, for in my need, his pow - er is dis -
bled and suf - fered for my par - don, and he was raised to o - ver - throw the
day I know he will re - new me un - til I stand with joy be - fore the



peace. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my life is whol - ly bound to
played. To this I hold: my Shep - herd will de - fend me. Through the deep - est val - ley he will
grave. To this I hold: my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus now, and ev - er, is my
throne. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the glo - ry ev - er - more to




his. Oh how strange and di - vine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not
lead. Oh the night has been won, and I shall o - ver - come! Yet not
plea. Oh the chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not
him. When the race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not

1, 2, 3




I, but through Christ in me. The night is
I, but through Christ in me. No fate I
I, but through Christ in me. With ev - 'ry

4



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FAITH STEPSTONE PRESENTATION OF CATECHISM

Grade 6

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

- I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
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who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
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On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The word "catholic" in the creed means universal or world-wide. If you have any questions, the pastors are happy to discuss.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each portion of the prayers concludes with these or similar words:

... Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

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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.

LAMB OF GOD



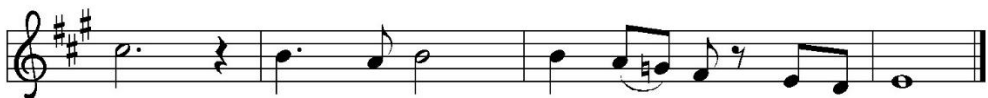
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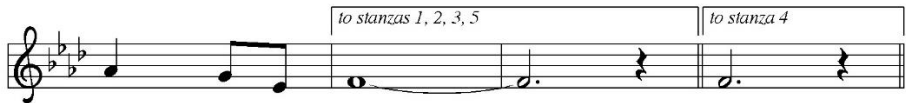
#780 "Shepherd Me, O God"

Refrain

All



Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be-yond my fears, from



death in - to life. life.

Leader or All



1 God is my shep-herd, so noth-ing shall I want, I
 2 Gent - ly you raise me and heal my wea - ry soul, you
 3 Though I should wan - der the val - ley of death, I



rest in the mead-ows of faith - ful - ness and love, I
 lead me by path-ways of righ - teous-ness and truth, my
 fear no e - vil, for you are at my side, your

Refrain



walk by the qui - et wa - ters of peace.
 spir - it shall sing the mu - sic of your name.
 rod and your staff, my com - fort and my hope.

Leader or All



4 You have set me a ban-quet of love in the face of

Refrain



ha-tred, crown-ing me with love be-yond my pow'r to hold.

Leader or All



5 Sure-ly your kind-ness and mer-cy fol-low me all the days of my life;



I will dwell in the house of my God for-ev - er - more.

*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN #369 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!"



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Chris-tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
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*SENDING

Alleluia! He is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
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