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**Sunday Worship**  
8:00am & 10:30am

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9:15am

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**St. Paul Lutheran WacoTx**



# **Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church**

*The Church on the Highway... Where Life and Jesus Intersect*

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## **5th Sunday of Easter**

### **May 19, 2019**

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*“Be thoughtful - be silent - be reverent; for this is the house of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord; During the service, let the Lord speak to you; After the service, speak to one another.”*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**REGISTRATION CARDS:** Welcome! We worship in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. May God bless you as we gather before the throne of heaven. Members, please remember to fill out a “White Registration Card” so we can have a proper soul-accounting, and Guests, please sign the guest book and complete a “Yellow Visitor Card” located in the hymnal rack. Please place your completed card in the card collection slot at the end of each pew (center aisle side).

**HOLY COMMUNION** is being celebrated in our worship this morning. If you are not a member a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and you desire to commune, we ask that you speak to a pastor or an elder before the service. An alcohol-removed wine (*distinguished by its lighter color*) is offered in the center of each communion tray as an option. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request during distribution at the altar. The Common Cup will also be offered with each table. If you do not take an individual cup, a pastor will serve the Chalice.

**LIVE STREAMING OF WORSHIP SERVICES:** Our 10:30 am Sunday worship service is streamed live on the Internet. To view this service, or previous 10:30 am services, go to the church Web site at [www.splcwaco.com](http://www.splcwaco.com), click on the link “LIVE STREAMING” on the home page, and select which service you would like to view.

**REMEMBER OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN PRAYER:**

Please contact the church office for a complete list of prayer needs.

**FLOWERS** were placed on our altar today to the glory of God by Jim Dutschmann in thankfulness for God’s many blessings.

## PRAYER BEFORE DIVINE WORSHIP

Almighty and everlasting God, because you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent, create in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily repenting of our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

*(Please silence your cell phones and mobile devices during our worship time.)*

### Pre-service Music

### Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: “Come, Now is the Time to Worship” (Adult Choir)

### Invocation

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Response: **Amen.**

### Confession and Absolution (based on Psalm 149, ESV)

**ALL: Praise the LORD!**

Pastor: Sing to the LORD a new song,

**Response: His praise in the assembly of the godly!**

Pastor: Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

**Response: Let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**

Pastor: Let the people of God rejoice. For the Lord is the God of our salvation. He sent His Son Jesus to die for our sins and to be raised again. He is the first fruits of our own resurrection. Therefore we humbly come before Him confessing our sins, desiring his forgiveness and imploring His good pleasure in our lives. Most merciful God:

**Response: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, by Christ's authority and command, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Response: Amen.**

**Litany of Response** (from Psalm 149, ESV)

Pastor: Let [the people] praise his name with dancing,

**Response: Making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!**

Pastor: For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;

**Response: He adorns the humble with salvation.**

**ALL: Praise the LORD!**

**Song of Response, 832: "Jesus Shall Reign"**

**Prayer of the Day**

**First Reading: Acts 11:1-18**

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle Reading: Revelation 21:1-7**

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading: John 16:12-22**

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Response: Praise to you, 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.**

**Hymn of the Day, 830: “Spread the Reign of God the Lord”**

**Sermon: “Ham Sandwiches and the Church” .....Acts 11:1–18  
Pastor Krueger**

**Offering**

**Prayer of the Church**

**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 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.**

## **Words of Institution**

### **The Peace**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Response: Amen.**

### **Distribution**

**Hymns during Distribution**

**Hymn, 850: “God of Grace and God of Glory”**

**Hymn, 644: “The Church’s One Foundation”**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

#### **Benediction**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**Response: Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn, 837: “Lift High the Cross” vv. 1, 4-6**

### **Post-service Music**

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## MEETING AND ACTIVITY NOTICES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 19-26, 2019

### SUNDAY, MAY 19

- 10:00 a.m.: Blood Drive
- 12:00 p.m.: NYG Youth Lunch/Meeting (Youth Room)
- 5:30 p.m.: New Member Recognition/Spaghetti Supper (Family Center)

### MONDAY, MAY 20

- 10:00 a.m.: Quilting Group (Parish Hall)
- 4:00 p.m.: Newsletter Deadline
- 6:00 p.m.: SPJST Meeting (Parish Hall)

### TUESDAY, MAY 21

- 6:30 a.m.: Men's Bible Study Group (Parish Hall)
- 9:00 a.m.: HSE/ELL Classes
- 10:00 a.m.: Tri-Cities Ministries
- 7:00 p.m.: EKKLESIA Bible Study (The Fountain, China Spring)

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

### THURSDAY, MAY 23

- 7:00 a.m.: Lawn/Building Maintenance
- 9:00 a.m.: HSE/ELL Classes
- 6:30 p.m.: Young Adults Bible Study (Panera, Central Marketplace)

### FRIDAY, MAY 24

### SATURDAY, MAY 25

- 1:00 p.m.: Shaw family (Family Center)

### SUNDAY, MAY 26

*The Church Offices will be closed Monday, May 27,  
in observance of Memorial Day.*

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

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| Sunday: Luke 22-24        | Thursday: 2 Samuel 19-21 |
| Monday: 2 Samuel 9-12     | Friday: 2 Samuel 22-24   |
| Tuesday: 2 Samuel 13-15   | Saturday: Psalms 49-51   |
| Wednesday: 2 Samuel 16-18 |                          |