



**St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church-Blue Point  
Easter Thursday April 16, 2020**

**Welcome to St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church!!**

**Prayer before the Service-**O God, creator of heaven and earth, grant that as the crucified body of Your dear son was laid in the tomb and rested on this holy Sabbath, so we await with Him the coming of the third day, and rise with Him to newness of life, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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## **Psalm 61 in unison**

Hear my cry, O God; Attend to my prayer.

From the end of the earth I will cry to You,

When my heart is overwhelmed;

Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

For You have been a shelter for me, A strong tower from the enemy.

I will abide in Your tabernacle forever;

I will trust in the shelter of Your wings.

For You, O God, have heard my vows;

You have given me the heritage of those who fear Your name.

You will prolong the king's life, His years as many generations.

He shall abide before God forever.

Oh, prepare mercy and truth, which may preserve him!

So I will sing praise to Your name forever,

That I may daily perform my vows.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without  
end. Amen**

## **Epistle Lesson-Acts 3:11-26**

Now as the lame man who was healed held on to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch which is called Solomon's, greatly amazed. So when Peter saw it, he responded to the people: "Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let Him go. But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses. And His name, through faith in His name, has made this man strong, whom you see and know. Yes, the faith which comes through Him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

"Yet now, brethren, I know that you did it in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled. Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be

blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before, whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began. For Moses truly said to the fathers, “The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear in all things, whatever He says to you. And it shall be that every soul who will not hear that Prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people.’ Yes, and all the prophets, from Samuel and those who follow, as many as have spoken, have also foretold these days. You are sons of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying to Abraham, “And in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed.’ To you first, God, having raised up His Servant Jesus, sent Him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from your iniquities.”

## **Sermon**

**Text: Acts 3:11-26**

**Theme: Preaching the truth to the Church and the world**

**I. How would Peter do in one of our pulpits?**

**II. Peter preached the living Word to sinners so that they might be saved**

## **Prayers**

## **Benediction**

**Easter Service** has been postponed until the church can gather again. Watch the facebook page, the bulletin and website [www.stpaulbluepoint.org](http://www.stpaulbluepoint.org) for further news. There will continue to be **daily sermons** posted with brief bulletins each day on the internet.

We await the work of state officials to decide when it is safe for us to gather again. We stand ready to offer opportunities for communion for those who desire it, in groups up to 10. Please call the pastor if you desire to take advantage of this service. Pastor is available to talk at any time. If you would like the church to know of prayer needs, please let the pastor know, and he will include it in the daily bulletins.

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