

St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church-Blue Point

2nd Sunday after Epiphany January 19, 2020

Welcome to St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church!!

Prayer before the Service-Almighty and Everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Holy Communion will be celebrated in this service. If you are a Communicant member of a Missouri Synod congregation and wish to partake of the sacrament, please fill out a Communion Registration Card and give it to the usher who invites you to the Lord's Table. If you are not an LC-MS member but wish to commune, please speak with the pastor or the head usher before coming to the Sacrament.

Opening Hymn402
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Psalm 40 (responsively whole verse by whole verse)

Old Testament Lesson-Isaiah 49:1-7

“Listen, O coastlands, to Me,

And take heed, you peoples from afar!

The LORD has called Me from the womb;

From the matrix of My mother He has made mention of My name.

And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword;

In the shadow of His hand He has hidden Me,

And made Me a polished shaft; In His quiver He has hidden Me.”

“And He said to me,

‘You are My servant, O Israel, In whom I will be glorified.’

Then I said, “I have labored in vain,

I have spent my strength for nothing and in vain;

Yet surely my just reward is with the LORD,

And my work with my God.’”

“And now the LORD says,

Who formed Me from the womb to be His Servant,

To bring Jacob back to Him,
 So that Israel is gathered to Him
 (For I shall be glorious in the eyes of the LORD,
 And My God shall be My strength),
 Indeed He says,
 “It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant
 To raise up the tribes of Jacob,
 And to restore the preserved ones of Israel;
 I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles,
 That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.”
 Thus says the LORD,
 The Redeemer of Israel, their Holy One,
 To Him whom man despises,
 To Him whom the nation abhors, To the Servant of rulers:
 “Kings shall see and arise, Princes also shall worship,
 Because of the LORD who is faithful,
 The Holy One of Israel; And He has chosen You.”

Epistle Lesson-1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Lesson-John 1:29-42

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

This is He of whom I said, “After me comes a Man who is preferred before me, for He was before me.’ I did not know Him; but that He should be revealed to Israel, therefore I came baptizing with water.”

And John bore witness, saying, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and He remained upon Him. I did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, “Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.”

Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples. And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, “Behold the Lamb of God!”

The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, “What do you seek?” They said to Him, “Rabbi” (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), “where are You staying?”

He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour).

One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Now when Jesus looked at him, He said, “You are Simon the son of Jonah. You shall be called Cephas” (which is translated, A Stone).

Hymn.....688

Sermon

Text: John 1:29-42

Theme: John’s witness

I. Began with ignorance

II. Was enlightened, through the Word and Work of God

III. Bore fruit, as His disciples followed Jesus

Prayers

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Communion Hymns.....537, 550, 545, 555

Benediction

Closing Hymn.....540

The Men's Club has placed the slips for help for the Annual Pancake and Sausage Supper in the mailboxes. If you didn't receive one and want to help, please contact Larry Wachtel or Leon Wendte to volunteer. All help and assistance is deeply appreciated by the Men's Club.

Men's Club Sausage Supper, next Sunday, here at Blue Point beginning at 4 PM. Sausage for sale, carryouts, and of course, dine in!

The LCC annual meeting will take place on Monday, January 27th at the Gathering Place at 7pm. All are invited, please call the LCC if you intend to attend, as they have refreshments, and would like a count.

Celebrate 70 years of outdoor adventure at Camp CILCA's 3rd Annual Banquet on Sunday, January 26th from 5-8pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Springfield. The evening includes a live brass ensemble, dinner from Nelson's Catering, guest speaker Rev. Jonathan Fisk, and a look at CILCA's future. Tickets are \$40 and must be reserved by January 23rd by contacting the camp office at [217-487-7497/](tel:217-487-7497)
camp@cilca.org.

You are invited to attend an informational meeting Sunday, February 2, 1:30 in the Immanuel Parish Hall. We will talk about forming a **Lutherans For Life** chapter with the four congregations that belong to ALIS.

Pastor will be attending Doxology II from Monday, January, 27- Wednesday, January, 29. Call pastor's cell if you need pastoral care.

Prayers-Shirley Wachtel, as she recovers from surgery; Ralph Stuckemeyer; Karen Vollmer, as she continues treatment for cancer; Allan Soltwedel, who is having surgery this week; for Chad Soltwedel who is being deployed to Afghanistan;

This Week at St Paul

Sunday: Adult Instruction 1:00 PM; Adult Instruction 3:30 PM
Adult Instruction 6 PM Jer. 20-22
Monday: ALIS BOD Meeting 7:30 PM Jer. 23-25
Tuesday: Jer. 26-28
Wednesday: Bible Class 10 AM; Catechism 5:45 PM
LYF 7 PM Jer 29-31
Thursday: Greek Study 10 AM
Pastor at LCC 2 PM Jer. 32-34
Friday: Jer. 35-37
Saturday: Catechism 9:00 AM Jer. 38-40

Those participating-

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