Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Red Hill
Sharing Our Faith, Spreading God's Love
Rev. Kevin Compton - Pastor

SUNDAY – November 22, 2026 – Christ the King Sunday

"All are welcome in this place!"

St. Paul's Lutheran Church has embodied the love and welcome of Christ in the Upper Perkiomen Valley since 1739. No matter who you are, if you are seeking a loving community of people following Christ, if you are curious about this man named Jesus that we call savior, or even if you are not sure what you are looking for, know that you are welcome. You are created in the image of God, and you are welcome.

Pastor Kevin Compton

We believe the sound of children in worship is not a distraction. It is evidence of life, growth, and the future of the church. If your child makes noise, you are not bothering us. You are blessing us.

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The Altar Flowers Given to the Glory of God to celebrate the fall season with thankfulness & gratitude, presented by the McPherson Family

The Chancel Flowers Given to the Glory of God in loving memory of a wonderful brother, Jarred Ziegler, presented by Kip & Kristen Langenback,

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS
(Please rise in body or in spirit)
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Compassionate God,
we confess that we have trusted in our preparation
instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven.
Blessed are you.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN – Crown Him with Many Crowns - Green Book 170

PRAYER OF THE DAY
O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen. (Please be seated)

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Psalm: Psalm 95:1-7a (Assistant)

Please join me in a responsive reading from Psalm 95.

1 Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
2 **Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving**
and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms.
3 For you, Lord, are a great God,
and a great ruler above all gods.
4 **In your hand are the caverns of the earth;**
the heights of the hills are also yours. R
5 The sea is yours, for you made it,
and your hands have molded the dry land.
6 **Come, let us worship and bow down,**
let us kneel before the Lord our maker.
7a For the Lord is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

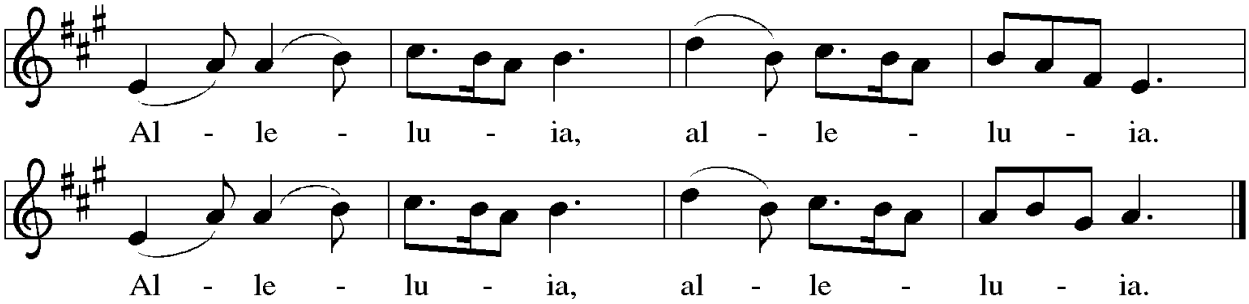
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23 (Assistant)
Our second reading is from the book of Ephesians, the First chapter.

15 I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, 18 so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his

great power. [20]God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places [21] far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. [22] And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the heard over all things for the church, [23] which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please rise in body or in spirit)



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GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46 (Pastor)
The Gospel is from Matthew, the Twenty-fifth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples] [31] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. [32] All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. [33] and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. [34] Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. [35]for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36] I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' [37] Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? [38] And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? [39] And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?'

40 And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of
the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.’ 41 Then he
will say to those at his left hand, ‘You who are accursed, depart from me into
the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, 42 for I was hungry and
you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43 I
was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me
clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ 44 Then they also will
answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger
or naked or sick or in prison and did not take of you?’ 45 Then he will answer
them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these,
you did not do it to me,’ 46 And these will go away into eternal punishment
ut the righteous into eternal life.”

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ (Please be seated)

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE MESSAGE – Pastor Kevin Compton

SONG OF THE DAY - Above All
Lenny LeBlanc & Paul Baloche 1999 Integrity’s Hosanna Music/LenSongs Publishing

Above all powers above all kings
Above all nature and all created things
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man
You were here before the world began

Above all kingdoms above all thrones
Above all wonders the world has ever known
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth
There's no way to measure what You're worth

Crucified laid behind a stone
You lived to die rejected and alone
Like a rose trampled on the ground
You took the fall and thought of me
Above all

Repeat song

CREED (Assistant)*:*
Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith, sharing together the words of the Apostles' Creed.
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Assistant)
United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.
(Allow for a brief silence.)

Prepare your people for your reign to come among us. Where the church is wary, make us bold; where we are complacent, stir us to action; where we are anxious, assure us of your endless, loving care. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

All the heights, depths, and expanses of the earth belong to you. Deliver every corner of your creation from disaster. Restore lands ravaged by floods, fires, drought, or contaminations. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Gather all the nations at your side and teach them the ways of your kingdom of wholeness and abundant life. Empower judges, juries, and legal advocates to create and uphold pathways toward transformative justice. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Bind up the wounds of all your people. Give courage to all who experience uncertainty, guide all people facing difficult decisions, and lift the spirits of any who are in need. We pray especially for the people on our prayer list and those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.
(Allow for a brief silence)

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Accompany communities struggling with conflict. Help us to listen deeply to one another, that we might know one another more fully and release any hurt or anger. Create ways of healing and reconciliation among us. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Fill us with the spirit of wisdom and perseverance that you grant to all the saints, and bring us, at the last, into the hope of your promised new day.
God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.

THE PEACE
The Peace of the Lord be with you all!
And also with you!
(Please greet your neighbor with a sign of peace and return to your seats for the offering)

MEAL
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING We begin our celebration of communion by returning a portion of the blessings we have received from God to sustain the body of Christ.

OFFERTORY SONG – For The Fruit of All Creation – Blue Book 760

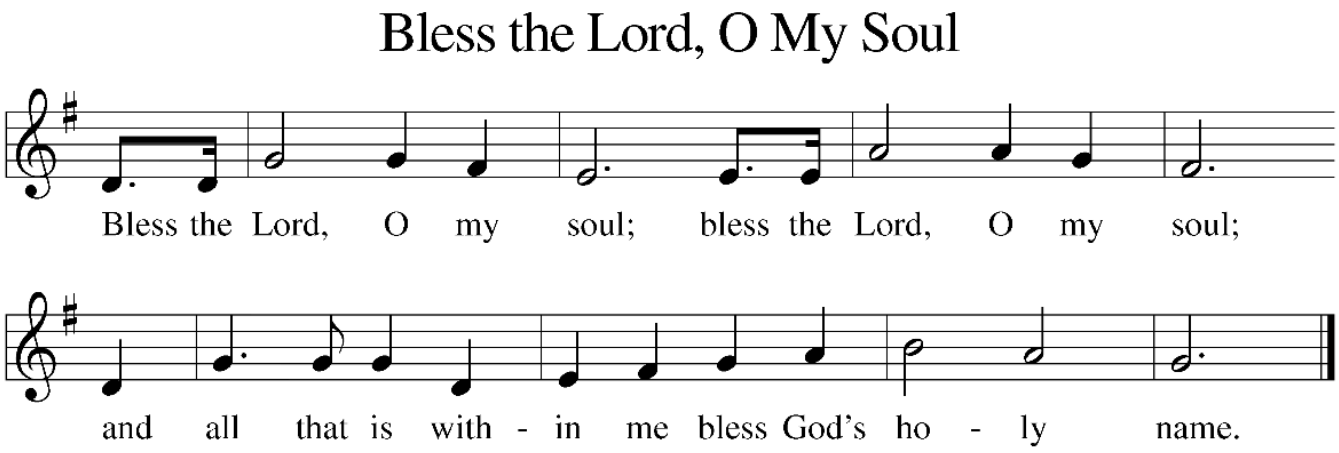
For the Fruit of All Creation



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Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional
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OFFERTORY SONG – Bless the Lord, O My Soul



Text: Ps. 103:1
Music: PRAISE PSALM 103, traditional

OFFERING PRAYER
Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

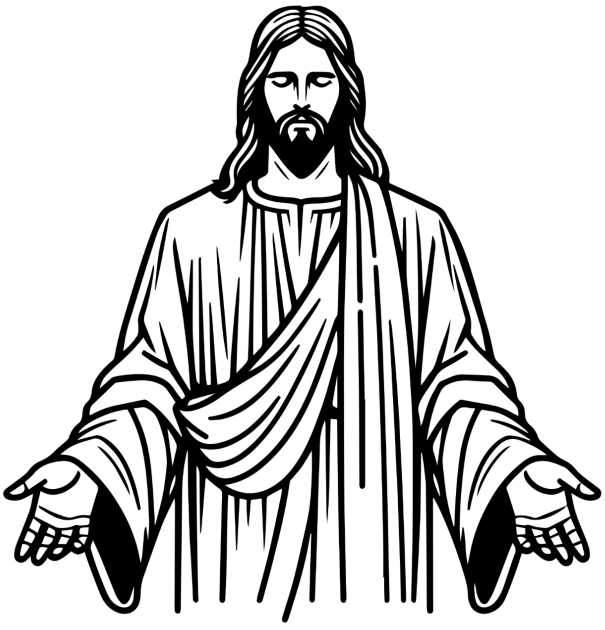
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Pastor)
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

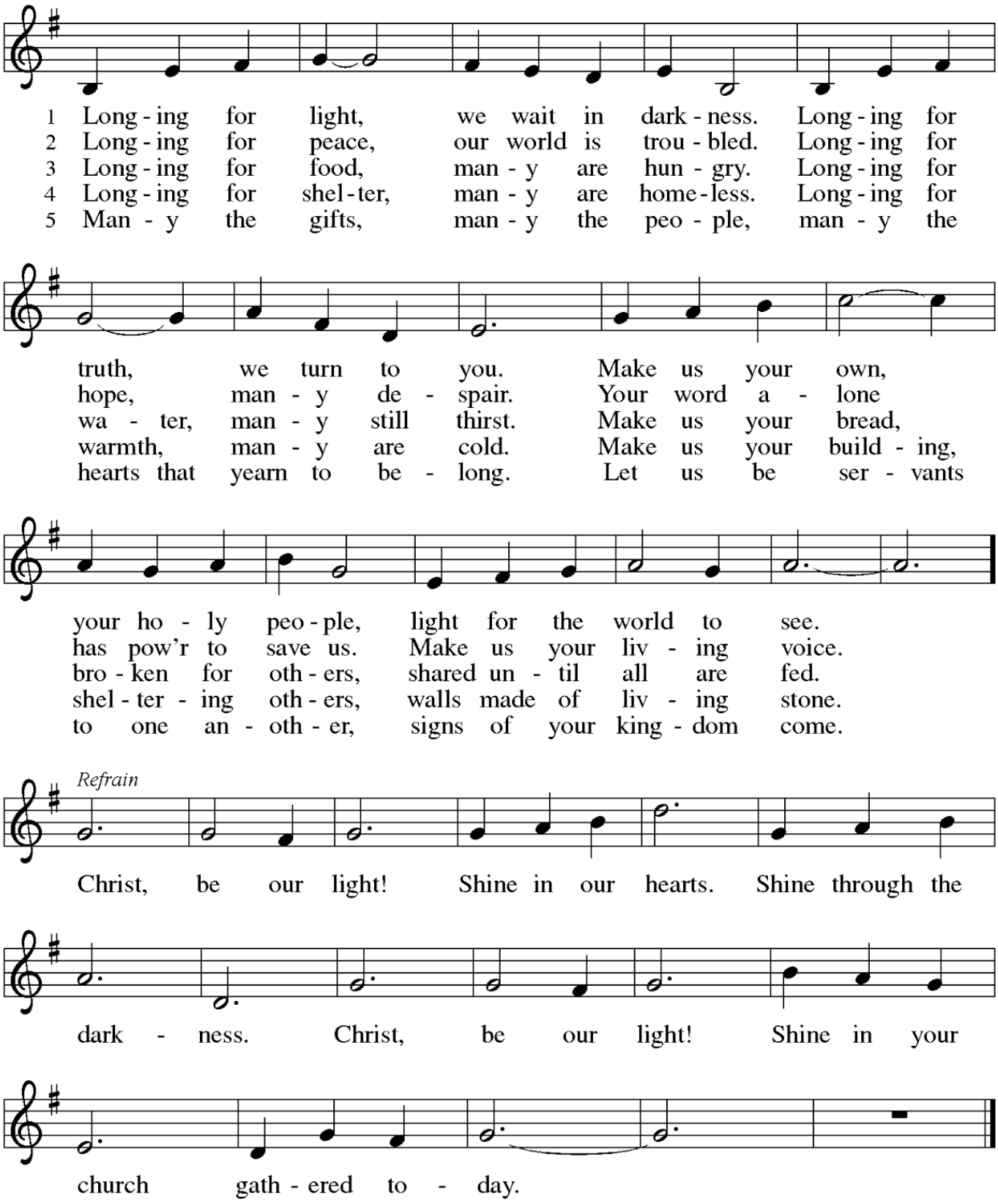
INVITATION TO COMMUNION
In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

COMMUNION
All are welcome at the Lord's table. Follow the usher's directions. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request. Blessings are available in lieu of communion or for any young person who has not yet received communion instruction.

SONG DURING COMMUNION - Christ Be Our Light
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Christ, Be Our Light



SONG DURING COMMUNION - Will You Let Me be Your Servant

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant



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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Please rise in body or in spirit.)

Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost,
bind the injured,
and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence,
now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

THE BLESSING

The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always,
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CONGREGATION

SENDING SONG - Mighty To Save

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Everyone needs compassion, love that's never failing.
Let Mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior.
The hope of nations.

Chorus: Saviour, He can move the mountains.
My God is mighty to save.
He is mighty to save.
Forever Author of Salvation.
He rose and conquered the grave.
Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures.
Fill my life again. I give my life to follow, everything I believe in.
Now I surrender. ***Chorus***

Bridge: Shine your light, and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.
Jesus, shine your light, and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.



DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Our music today is led by St. Paul's Music Director, Eve Keane. Thank you Eve for your talents and your leadership!

Thank you to our worship assistant Anne Gabel; ushers, Debbie Gryshuk & Katie Robbins; live streaming team Nicole Walter & Eric Virus; Communion set up team, Pat Walter; sacristy team, Barbara Nace and Pat Walter; flower sponsors and all who help with worship.

We Remember in Prayer

Jason Adamczyk
Joyce Allebach
Sadie Brandt
Anita Breyer
Nancy Esterly
Rev Dr. David Genszler
Dave and Gail Gerhard
Barbara Green
Janet Hill
Jerry Landis
Frances Lechner
Melissa Leinback
Becky McIntosh
Jeff McMurtrie
Becky McNeilly
Dennis Renninger
Alan Richard
Kirk Robinson
Donna Rodenberger
David Sands
Tom Sands
Diane Schantz
Serena Sellers
Margarita Serbia
Linda Shagg
John Sheeran
Floyd Treffinger
Arlene Vandenburgh
Ryan Weaver
The Family of Jackie Hager
Janet Zylinski

St. Paul's Warm Heart Tree

The Warm Heart Tree has been set up in the hallway next to Fellowship Hall!

Gifts from the Warm Heart Tree support the Victory House, Open Link and The Upper Perkiomen Homelessness Coalition. Select a tag from the tree to support your neighbor! Unwrapped gifts are due Friday, December 13th.

SAVE THE DATES!!!

- **Sunday, December 6, 2026 Budget Presentation to the Congregation - in the Sanctuary after service.**
- **Sunday, December 20, 2026 - Congregation vote on the council approved budget - in Fellowship Hall after service.**

WELCA

The Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America hosting monthly events at St. Mark's
The next event is Tuesday, December 8th at 11:30am.

This is a learning event and the topic will be
the symbols depicted in Christmon ornaments.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE!

St. Pauls is hosting a Red Cross
Blood Drive on Saturday, December 5!

Sign-up on your Red Cross donor app,
or follow this QR Code to the Red Cross
schedule for our blood drive!

A heartfelt thank you to Avah Virus for taking the lead in organizing this important event!

TONIGHT at 4pm!

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY MEAL

This year we are gathering at **St. John's Sumneytown (Green Lane)** to give thanks and worship together as a community.
Our **FREE Community Thanksgiving Dinner** will follow right after worship! Everyone is invited! Everyone is welcome!
And everyone is invited to bring their favorite dessert to share!
This event is hosted by the Reformation Sister Churches of Upper Perkiomen Valley – which includes St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Red Hill!