

GOD ON TRIAL

THIS WEDNESDAY WE CONTINUE OUR LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES UNDER THE THEME "GOD ON TRIAL". THIS WEEK'S THEME IS "TRUTH" WHERE JESUS CONVEYS TO PILATE THAT HIS KINGDOM IS "NOT OF THIS WORLD.". THIS SERIES TAKES US BACK TO THE MOMENTS WHEN GOD WAS LITERALLY ON TRIAL BEFORE MEN IN THE PERSON OF CHRIST. IN THESE INSPIRED EPISODES, WE FIND FORGIVENESS FOR US AND ALL PEOPLE, LOVE FOR OUR ENEMIES, STRENGTH FOR OUR FAITH, AND COURAGE TO TESTIFY TO THE TRUTH.

CARDS & EGGS in March

Pick up an Easter Card or two in the lobby to send to a friend or church member who has lost a dear loved-one to Heaven since last Easter.

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 28th, 1 pm Pick up a flier and invite a friend!



Last Chance: Order Easter Lilies by Monday, March 16h, 2026

If you wish to order a lily(s) for the church sanctuary on Easter Sunday, please fill out the form found in the Narthex, return to the basket provided & include \$9 for each plant ordered. Thank you!



Eve's Restoration Ministries UPCOMING EVENTS:

"Through the Decades" TRIVIA NIGHT Fundraiser
Thursday, March 26, 2026 6:00 pm
(doors open at 5:30 pm)

\$25 per person \$150 for table of 6

Get together with some friends - pick up a registration flier in the foyer. Call, text or email **Amanda Douglas** 314-221-6700 or evesrestorationhome@gmail.com.

Interested in St. Paul's

If you or someone you know is interested in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, please call Pastor Krenz at 618-363-0121. Classes are offered periodically throughout the year. This class usually runs 10-12 weeks.



The quilters are in need of any material remnants you have, including flat bed sheets size full and larger, and fitted size queen and larger. Place your donations in the closet under the stairs off the hallway to the fellowship hall.

Church Council

We will be meeting in the church fellowship hall this Tuesday (March 17th) at 6:30pm.



Newsletter Articles, Pictures, Calendar Items due March 16 for April Newsletter.



3/18 Midweek 5

"Truth"

John 18:33-40

Pastor Troup

Meal: **B of Finance & B of Education**

Passion Reading:
Mark 14:66-72

3/25 Midweek 6

"Sympathy" Luke 23:26-34

Pastor Krenz

Meal: **B of Youth & B of Outreach**

Passion Reading:
Mark 15:1-20

April 2 6:30 pm

Maundy Thursday "Respite"

Luke 22:7-10 Pastor Krenz

April 3 Noon & 6:30 pm

Good Friday "Evidence"

Matt 27:38-54 Pastor Krenz

April 5 8 & 10:30 am Easter

"Vindication" Mark 16:1-8

Pastor Krenz

Easter Sunday Breakfast**

**Plan to join in fellowship between services for Easter Breakfast, April 5, 9:00-10:20. Continental breakfast of egg casseroles, pastries, fruit, orange juice, milk and coffee will be served. Free will donation to benefit Eve's Restoration Home.

Welcome both members and visitors to worship. If you are a visitor and do not have a church home, we invite you to consider this congregation as a place for you to grow through God's Word in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Contact Pastor Krenz (618-363-0121) with any questions on this congregation, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and/or the process of church membership. If you are a visitor, feel free to leave us your address in the attendance folder. It is also in that folder you can see our belief and practice concerning the Lord's Supper.

Sunday, March 15

8 am Divine Service

9:15 am Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

SS Children, Youth Bible Study

10:30 am Divine Service

Monday, March 16 Newsletter Articles & Lily Orders

Count Team **3:J. Rahn; D. Nowak; S. Roessler;**

5:15 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm Divine Service

Tuesday, March 17

7:15 am Men's Bible Study

9 am Quilters

6:30 pm Church Council

Wednesday, March 18

10 am Women's Bible Study w/ Nancy

11 am Lenten Week 5 Service

1:30—3 pm Food Pantry Open

5 pm Lent Services Meal: B of Finance & B of Ed

6 pm Lenten Week 5 Service

6:45 pm Handbell Choir

7 pm Jr. Confirmation

Thursday, March 19

9 am Newsletter Folders

Friday, March 20

2 pm Bria Nursing Home Worship

3:30 pm Garden Place Worship

Saturday, March 21

Sunday, March 22

8 am Divine Service

9:15 am Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

SS Children, Youth Bible Study

10:30 am Divine Service

Based on Divine Service III

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 8 & 10:30 am; March 16, 6:30 pm

Pre-Service Music

Ring of the Bells, Greeting, Announcements, Sharing the Peace

Opening Hymn LSB 427

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Invocation, Confession, Absolution

Introit, Kyrie, Salutation

Collect/Prayer of the Day

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 42:14-21

Epistle Ephesians 5:8-14

Holy Gospel John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

Apostles' Creed, Children's Message

Hymn of the Day LSB 396

"Arise and Shine In Splendor"

Sermon Isaiah 42:14-21 Pastor Stephen Krenz

"The Gift of Divine Sight"

Presentation of Offerings "Create in Me"

Prayer of the Church,

Service of the Sacrament, Proper Preface,

Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer, The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini, Agnus Dei

Distribution Hymns

"Jesus Comes Today with Healing" LSB 620

"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" LSB 435

Nunc Dimittis, Post-Communion Canticle,

Post-Communion Collect, Benediction

Closing Hymn LSB 919

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

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Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class: 9:15 am to 10:15

Luke Bible Class: From 9:15 am to 10:15 am Pastor Krenz will continue a verse-by-verse study of Luke by looking at chapter 18 and 19.

Children's Sunday School:

This week, we study "The Gentile Cause." A disagreement arises in the Church concerning the Gentile believers. Some want to make the Gentiles follow the Jewish laws. Peter, Paul, and Barnabas give testimony to the Jerusalem Council concerning their work among the Gentiles. The Council sends a letter to the Gentile believers, encouraging them and welcoming them as God's chosen people.

Youth
8th -12th grade
Sundays:
9:15 - 10:15 am
Meet in the Loft upstairs



Middle School Youth Event:

On Saturday, March 28th from 6:30pm-10:30 pm a Middle School Youth event will take place here at church. This event will include baking items to deliver to shut ins, devotions, and various youth activities. Contact Mary Colyer (618)-334-2321 or Erin Schmoll 314-603-8654 if interested in attending.



Pre-School Registration
is now open for
the 2026-2027 school year!

If you know a family looking for a nurturing, high quality, Christ-centered preschool experience, they may contact our preschool Director, Shelly Augustin for more details about our program. 618-281-4190

Holy Cross Lutheran Church of Wartburg will host Good Friday services in the German language on April 3, 2026. The service begins at 10 am. The service folder with Scripture readings and hymns will be printed in the German language.

KFUO at 850 AM will broadcast and live stream the service.

We invite the community, students and friends to join us to experience worship in the language of our forefathers.

Holy Cross/Ladies Aid will be hosting a luncheon after the German service.

HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that helped, donated &/or shopped at the rummage sale. We could not have done it without everyone's help. 15 adults and 7 students worked the sale on Saturday, and numerous folks helped setup on Thursday and Friday. **Great job St. Paul's Team!!**



THANK YOU Thank you to **Steve and Mitzi Ottwell** who recently re-upholstered the choir chairs, varnished the church window seals, and painted the main level restrooms.

Thank You! To our volunteers...

Sunday, March 15th 8 am

Organist: Sarah Koester
Elder: Scott Moeslein
Greeter/Usher: Mitzi Ottwell
Screens: Kyva Meyers
Video: Kaylee Grandt

Sunday, March 15th 10:30 am

Organist: Sarah Koester
Elder: Levi Ottwell
Acolyte: Lennon Ottwell
Screens: Campbell Ottwell

Monday, March 16th 6:30 pm

Organist: Karen Shimkus
Elder: Bob Thoma
Greeter/Usher: Brenda Appel

Wednesday, March 18th 11 am

Elder: Charlie Consolino

Wednesday, March 18th 6 pm

Elder: Scott Peery

Sunday, March 22 8 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Mark Eischer
Greeter/Usher: Stefanie Newbill
Acolyte: Evy Colyer
Screens: Josh Colyer
Video: Aiden Colyer

Sunday, March 22 10:30 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Charlie Consolino
Greeter/Usher: David Jestus,
Carole Hancock

Acolyte: Brooke Quevreaux
Screens: Dane Quevreaux

Monday, March 23 6:30 pm

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Glenn Grebing
Usher: Sue Champion

Wednesday, March 25 11 am

Elder: Toby Search

Wednesday, March 25 6 pm

Elder: Glenn Grebing

Special Prayers

- † Paul Lemay- Relative of Stefanie Newbill who has severe health problems.
- † Kyle Coats, friend of Sandy Roessler, is living with heart issues
- † Larry Sifford, friend of Sandy Roessler, blood clot in his lung
- † Ryan Drevicki , friend of Sandy Roessler, tumor on his leg
- † Deanna Roessler, daughter-in-law of Sandy Roessler, having tests done
- † Gordon Moeckel, uncle of Randy Moeckel, on hospice
- † Mark Helmkamp, brother-in-law of the Consolinos, recovering from shoulder surgery
- † Dennis Crump- recovering from recent hospitalization
- † Leah Douglas, recovering from knee injury
- † Linda Stevens, Jay Stevens's mother, recovering from surgery
- † Joe Locastro, Cousin to Charlie Consolino, recovering at home

Additional Prayers

- † Barb Schneider, hospice care
- † Chris Schoenhoff, friend of Mike Arras, health issues
- † For the DCE Call process
- † For Eve's Restoration Home

For Those Living With Cancer / Undergoing Cancer Treatments...

- Patti French, friend of congregation
- Harold Thoma, brother of Bob Thoma
- Jeffrey Gruber, son of Don & Pat Gruber
- Kip Quevreaux
- Nancy Puhi, sister of Mike Arras
- Robert Ebner, friend of Bob Thoma
- Tara Menard, granddaughter of Don & Pat Gruber
- Gwen Shreeman, niece of Janet Kenney
- Virginia Schweigert, Theresa Mancarella's sister
- Sandy Cates, friend of Susan S. & Mona N.
- Katie Pernoud, co-worker of Beth Niehaus.

**Prayers for
Care Home/Homebound**

Rick Gulin (Home)
Virginia Jeffery -
(Cedarhurst in Waterloo)
Judy Kellenberger (Home)

Quilts of Valor: TODAY: Following the 10:30am March 15th service a representative from Quilts of Valor will be presenting **Ray Bense** with a quilt. Quilt of Valor is an organization that makes specially designed quilts to cover Service Members and Veterans touched by war with comforting and healing. Those who receive this award have stood out in their service within the military community. The ceremony will last approximately 10 minutes, and we encourage those at the 10:30am service to stay for this service which will take place in the sanctuary.

Congregational Call Meeting:

On **Sunday, March 29th at 11:45am** (following the late service) we will be having a **congregational call meeting to call a DCE.** The call committee will be presenting two candidates for the congregation to consider. Information on these candidates will be made available before this meeting, and hopefully by March 22nd. If you have any questions feel free to contact any of the DCE call committee members. Those members are Mitch Essert, Patrick Grandt, Carleigh Ottwell, Becky Stevens, Scott Peery, and Pastor Krenz.



Next Pantry:
March 18th
1:30-3 pm
Pantry Needs:
Brownie Mix, Pineapple, Chili
3/4 Served: 12 Families
27 Adults & 8 Children

Our Response To His Love With Attendance

3.8/26	8 am	63
3.8	10:30 am	58
3.9	6:30 pm	<u>19 = 140</u>
3.11	Wed 11 am/ 6 pm	24 + 43 = 67
3.8	SS Children/Youth	15
3.8	Adult Bible Study	20
3.10	Men's Bible Study	5
3.11	Women's Bible Study	10

**Our Response To His Love W/ Our Finances
General Fund**

Weekly Budgeted Amount Needed	\$ 8,400
Received 3.8/26	\$ 5,195
Building Repair Fund	
Received 3.8/26	\$ 200