

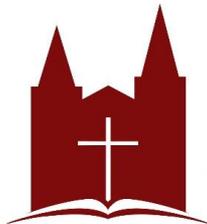
Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026



# It Is Finished

*The Holy Week Prophecies of Zechariah*

**The Truth, the Whole Truth,  
& Nothing but the Truth**



**St. Paul**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH



*As Christians united in common faith, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to nurture believers and bring the lost to faith in Jesus through God's Holy Word and Sacraments.*

**Welcome!**

- Restrooms are in the church basement located just at the bottom of the front stairs. Changing tables are available to parents.
  - An elevator is available on the north side of the church entrance.
  - The basement is available to parents needing to quiet small children. The area is equipped with closed circuit TV.
  - Out of respect for all who worship today, please silence all electronic devices.
  - Children's Activity Bags are available in the narthex. Please return them to the 'used' bin after service.
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# The Truth, the Whole Truth, & Nothing but the Truth

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Hymn

Christ, the Life of All the Living

CW 396 sts. 1-3

## Confession

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**the maker of heaven and earth.**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for personal reflection*

## Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
**we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life.

**Amen.**

## To You, O LORD, I Lift My Soul

Psalm 25A

*Refrain*

To you, O LORD, I lift my soul; in  
you I trust, O LORD my God.

*Tone*



In you, LORD my God, I / put my trust.  
I trust in you; do not let me be / put to shame.  
Show me your ways, LORD, teach me / your paths.  
Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my /  
Savior.

Remember, LORD, your great mer- / cy and love,  
for they are / from of old.  
Do not remember the sins of my youth and my re- / bellious ways;  
according to your love remember me, for you, LORD, / are good.

*Refrain*

LORD, forgive my iniquity, though / it is great.  
Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and af- / flicted.  
Look on my affliction and / my distress  
and take away / all my sins.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.   *Refrain***

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**Prayer**

Lord, do not remember the sins of our youth and our rebellious ways.  
Remember instead the great mercy and love that you have shown your  
people for hundreds of generations. Forgive our sins and teach us to  
live lives of integrity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**Hymn**

**Jesus, I Will Ponder Now**

*CW 420 st. 1*

## Reading

Matthew 26:57–75

<sup>57</sup>Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the teachers of the law and the elders had assembled. <sup>58</sup>But Peter followed him at a distance, right up to the courtyard of the high priest. He entered and sat down with the guards to see the outcome.

<sup>59</sup>The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death. <sup>60</sup>But they did not find any, though many false witnesses came forward.

Finally two came forward <sup>61</sup>and declared, “This fellow said, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.’”

<sup>62</sup>Then the high priest stood up and said to Jesus, “Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?” <sup>63</sup>But Jesus remained silent.

The high priest said to him, “I charge you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.”

<sup>64</sup>“You have said so,” Jesus replied. “But I say to all of you: From now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

<sup>65</sup>Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, “He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? Look, now you have heard the blasphemy. <sup>66</sup>What do you think?”

“He is worthy of death,” they answered.

<sup>67</sup>Then they spit in his face and struck him with their fists. Others slapped him <sup>68</sup>and said, “Prophecy to us, Messiah. Who hit you?”

<sup>69</sup>Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. “You also were with Jesus of Galilee,” she said.

<sup>70</sup>But he denied it before them all. “I don’t know what you’re talking about,” he said.

<sup>71</sup>Then he went out to the gateway, where another servant girl saw him and said to the people there, “This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth.”

<sup>72</sup>He denied it again, with an oath: “I don’t know the man!”

<sup>73</sup>After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, “Surely you are one of them; your accent gives you away.”

<sup>74</sup>Then he began to call down curses, and he swore to them, “I don’t know the man!” Immediately a rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup>Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: “Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times.” And he went outside and wept bitterly.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ.**

## Hymn

## Christ, the Life of All the Living

CW 396 sts. 4-7

## Sermon Text

*Zechariah 8:14-17*

<sup>14</sup>This is what the LORD Almighty says: “Just as I had determined to bring disaster on you and showed no pity when your ancestors angered me,” says the LORD Almighty, <sup>15</sup>“so now I have determined to do good again to Jerusalem and Judah. Do not be afraid. <sup>16</sup>These are the things you are to do: Speak the truth to each other, and render true and sound judgment in your courts; <sup>17</sup>do not plot evil against each other, and do not love to swear falsely. I hate all this,” declares the LORD.

## Sermon

**Pastor Tim Priewe**

## Offering

**Gr. 5-8 Anthem** (*3:30 service*)

**My Song Is Love Unknown**

CW 397

## Prayer

Hear my prayer, O Lord;  
**listen to my cry.**

Keep me as the apple of your eye;  
**hide me in the shadow of your wings.**

In righteousness I shall see you;  
**when I awake, your presence will give me joy.**

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## Blessing

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him. Amen.

## Hymn

## How Deep the Father's Love for Us

CW 523 sts. 1–2

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Preacher: Tim Priewe

Presiding Minister: Justin Shrum

Accompanist: Stacey Kraus

Service Teams:

3:30 p.m. Butch's & LES students; AV: LES student

6:00 p.m. Team Paulson; AV: Chad Woehler

# Welcome

**In an age of anxiety** we still believe that peace comes from Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

**In an age of confusion** we still believe that the Bible is the word of God, inerrant and infallible.

**In an age of doubt** we still believe that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

**In an age of guilt** we still believe that Jesus died on the cross to pay for the sins of the world, bringing complete pardon and joy to all believers.

**In an age of reason** we still believe that God is at work in the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion.

**In an age of change** we still believe in one unchanging God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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