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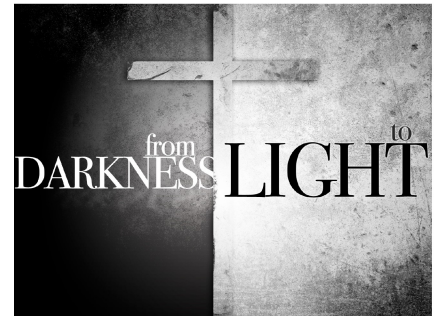
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Newsletter of St. Paul & Immanuel Lutheran Church-April 2025

Our Lententide has been spent walking our way towards Calvary and the Garden where we find our Savior dying and rising for our salvation, forgiveness & redemption. This year our theme is "Faith in the Midst of Darkness," and we have joined with circuit 13 in a round-robin where each week another pastor reveals both the situation we find ourselves in and the God who has saved us from it. The final two weeks schedule is:

April 2-Vicar Kaiser, St. James

April 9-Pastor Conradt, Hermansfort/Stony Hill



Worship is at 11 am @ St Paul & 7 pm @ Immanuel, with lunch/snack after @ SP & supper @ IM.

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Holy Week (**April 13-20**) is the most intense, yet rewarding week in the Church calendar, offering and giving us various chances to spend particular time to devote our attention and worship on the work and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ. Pastor Craig has always been one to offer more opportunities for worship and reflection.

We will hold Matins (morning prayer) at **IM on Mon, Tues, Wed and SP on Thurs & Fri @ 9 am**

We will hold Vespers (evening prayer) at **IM on Mon & Wed and SP on Tues @ 5:15 pm** where we will read through the Passion narratives of Matthew, Mark & Luke.

On Maundy Thursday (April 17) we gather for a joint service at **St. Paul at 7 pm**, where we will celebrate the Lord's Supper, ending the service by stripping the church and preparing for Good Friday.



On Good Friday (April 18) you will have 2 separate and different times and opportunities to place your devotion on the Passion on our Lord. We meet at for the **Main Service, with the Lord's Supper at St. Paul @ 1 pm**. We will then hear the Passion Story from all 4 Gospels read at **Immanuel @ 7 pm**. You can attend both services and experience Good Friday in two different ways.

We will hold the Easter Vigil again on Holy Saturday (April 19), "*the culmination of the Triduum (Latin for "the three days"), an ancient and holy service, ushering in the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord acting as a bridge between Holy Week and Easter morning.* We will celebrate this at **Immanuel @ 7 pm, with the Lord's Supper.**

On Easter Sunday (April 20) at Immanuel we will greet the rising Son with our **Sunrise Service @ 6 am**, with the Lord's Supper. They will then hold their annual **Easter breakfast @ 7 am**. Then we will hold our normal **Sunday services: IM @ 8:30 & SP @ 10:00 am, each with the Lord's Supper.**

Pastor Craig would like to challenge you to make all or as many services as you can during these days. Seek to allow our corporate worship become part of your routine during Holy Week, experiencing-in full-the immensity of the beauty of our Lord's Passion & Resurrection.



50th Birthday celebration @ SP

Kids-start making plans to attend the annual Easter egg hunt at St. Paul on April 12 starting at 9 am. If you know you will be attending, you need to register with Cindy so we can make sure to have enough prizes. We do need people to donate candy or prizes (money will also work)-please help out to continue this fun event.



Movie outing in GB

In keeping with the Confessions and historic practice in Lutheranism, Pastor Craig will be offering a time for private confession during the season of Lent. He will be at Immanuel on Sunday's from 3-3:45 pm in the chancel. There will be devotional materials in the mother's room for your preparation and if you need to wait. You can also make an appointment with him.



Youth Bowling

Be sure to check out Pastor's sermon on the radio each Sunday morning at 7:30 am on WTCH. Cost to sponsor a week is \$60 and can be signed up and paid at either congregation. Tell others who may be interested in listening to tune in



Pastor & Wendy will be taking a quick vacation to OKC, April 10-12. Pr. Buhrke is on call if you would need a pastor. He can be reached at 414-807-5571

Welcome to Elsie Irene



**Luther on...the Resurrection:** Know ye, then-sin, death, devil and everything that assails me-that you are missing the mark. I am not one of those who are afraid of you. For Christ, my dear Lord, has presented to me that triumph and victory of His by which you were laid low. And from this very gift of His I derive my name and am called a Christian. There is no other reason. My sin and death hung about His neck on Good Friday, but on the day of Easter they had completely disappeared. This victory He has bestowed on me. This is why I do not worry about you.

-Easter Sermon on Mark 16:1-8, 1530