

# *Misericordias Domini*



*The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alleluia!  
By the Word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alleluia!*

## **The Second Sunday after Easter**

**April 23, 2023**

**9:30 a.m.**

This Morning's Hymns

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For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in Heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the Mediator of a New Covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better Word than the blood of Abel.

*Hebrews 12:18–24*

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread . . . For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is My Body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup, after supper, saying, "This Cup is the New Covenant in My Blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

*1 Corinthians 10:16–17; 11:23–29*

*Who receives this sacrament worthily?* Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

*Luther's Small Catechism: The Sacrament of the Altar*

Falsely are our churches accused of abolishing the Mass; for the Mass is retained among us and celebrated with the highest reverence. Nearly all the usual ceremonies are also preserved . . . For ceremonies are needed to this end alone: that the unlearned be taught what they need to know of Christ . . . The people are accustomed to partake of the Sacrament together, if any be fit for it, and this also increases the reverence and devotion of public worship. For none are admitted except they be first examined.

*Augsburg Confession XXIV: Of the Mass*

#### A Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church. We are glad that you have joined us this morning to receive from our gracious God and to offer Him your prayer, praise, and thanksgiving. If this is your first visit to St. Paul, or you have never received the Lord's Supper from Pastor Proctor, we ask that you speak with him or one of the elders before receiving Holy Communion. Children and adults who are not permitted to the Sacrament of the Altar may come forward and cross their arms against their chest to indicate they would like to receive a blessing at the rail.

# ✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✠

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

**C** who made Heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**P** O Almighty God, Merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

## Introit

*Psalm 33:1, 18–20; antiphon: Psalm 33:5b, 6a*



*The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.\**

*By the Word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.*

**Shout for joy in the LORD, O you | righteous!\***

**Praise befits the | upright.**

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who | fear Him,\*

on those who hope in His | steadfast love,

**that He may deliver their | soul from death\***

**and keep them alive in | famine.**

Our soul waits | for the LORD;\*

He is our help | and our shield.

*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.

*The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.\**

*By the Word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.*

## Kyrie

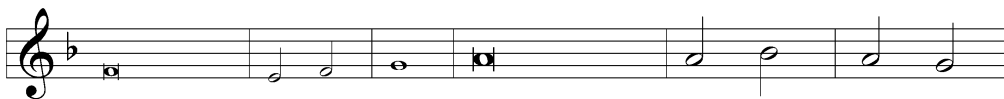


☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

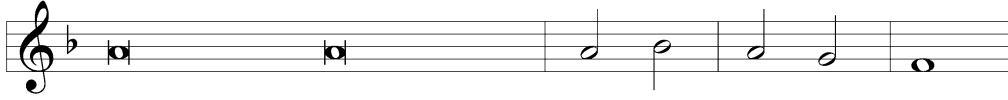
## Gloria in Excelsis



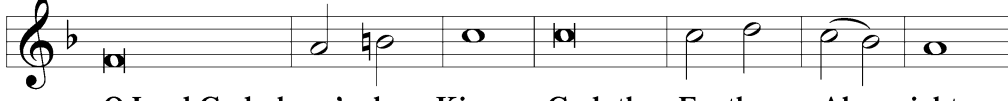
☐ Glory be to God on high: ☐ and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



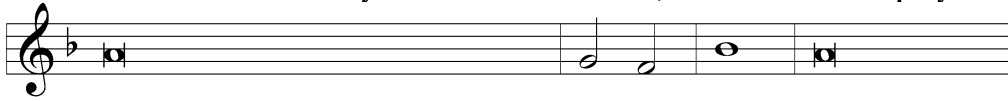
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



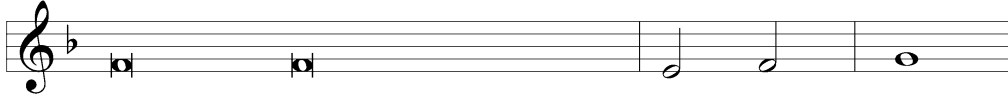
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray. O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

Sit

## Old Testament

*Ezekiel 34:11–16*

*In those days the prophet Ezekiel said:* <sup>11</sup>“For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I Myself will search for My sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out My sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I Myself will be the Shepherd of My sheep, and I Myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia & Verse

Luke 24:35b; John 10:14



Alle- | luia!\*

Alle- | luia!

**The Lord was | known to them\***

**in the breaking | of the bread.**

**"I am the Good Shepherd. I know My own and My | own know Me."\***

Alle- | luia!

## Epistle

1 Peter 2:21–25

*Dearly beloved:* <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in His steps. <sup>22</sup>He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. <sup>23</sup>When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

# Sequence Hymn

# Christians, to the Paschal Victim

*Cantor/Choir*



Chris-tians, to the Pas-chal Vic-tim Of-fer your thank-ful prais-es!



The Lamb the sheep has ran-somed: Christ, who on-ly is sin-less,



Rec-on-cil-ing sin-ners to the Fa-ther. Death and life have con-tend-ed



In that com-bat stu-pen-dous: The Prince of life, who died, Reigns im-mor-tal.

*Congregation*



1 Christ is a-ris-en From the grave's dark



pris-on. So let our joy rise full and free;



Christ our com-fort true will be. Al-le-lu-ia!

*Cantor/Choir*



“Speak, Mar-y, de-clar-ing What you saw when way-far-ing.”



“The tomb of Christ, who is liv-ing, The glo-ry of Je-sus' res-ur-rec-tion;





Bright an - gels at - test - ing, The shroud and nap - kin rest - ing.



My Lord, my hope, is a - ris - en; To Gal - i - lee He goes be - fore you."

*Congregation*



2 Were Christ not a - ris - en, Then death were still



our pris - on. Now, with Him to life re - stored,



We praise the Fa - ther of our Lord. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Cantor/Choir*



Christ in - deed from death is ris - en, Our new life ob - tain - ing.



Have mer - cy, vic - tor King, ev - er reign - ing!

*Congregation*



3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Now let our joy rise full and free;



Christ our com - fort true will be. Al - le - lu - ia!

## Holy Gospel

John 10:11–16

**P** The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John:



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

*At that time Jesus said to the Pharisees:* <sup>11</sup>I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the Good Shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to My voice. So, there will be one flock, one Shepherd.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven *and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man*; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose Kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is *worshiped and glorified*, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in One Holy Christian and Apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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## Sermon

## Offering

*Stand*

## Offertory



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church

*At the end of each petition:*

**P** Let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

## Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven we laud and magnify Your Glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
 bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## Exhortation to Communicants

### The Lord's Prayer

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.

### The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

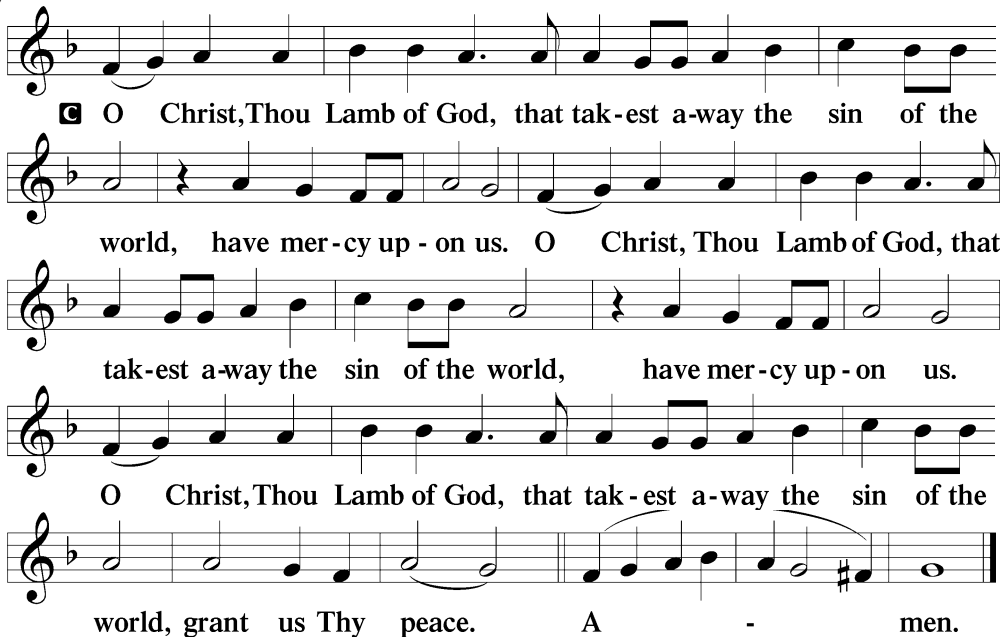
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** A - - - - - men.

## Agnus Dei



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

*Sit*

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Stand

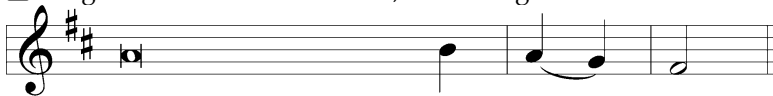
## Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

**P** O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good.



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

### Hymn

### O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe

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*"To Shine Forth the Light of God's Love into Our World"*



# BULLETIN NEWS

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, April 23	9:30am	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am	Adult Bible Study	Library
		Sunday School	Mueller

## BIRTHDAYS

04/27 – George Dixon  
04/28 – Daniel Noggle

## BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAY

04/26 – Joel Moreno Jr.

## VOTERS' MEETING

All voting members of St. Paul Lutheran Church are encouraged to attend the meeting on Sunday, May 7, 2023. The meeting will follow the Divine Service.

## PASTOR PROCTOR OUT OF TOWN

Pastor Proctor will be attending a conference in Fort Wayne, IN in early May. He will be out of town Wednesday, April 26—Saturday, May 6. No midweek Bible study, Confirmation, or Saturday morning Matins while he is away.

## CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK—Sunday, April 30, 2023

The next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the year is Sunday, April 30, 2023. After the Divine Service we will enjoy spending time together with a meal. Please bring a dish to share. No Sunday School or Adult Bible Class that morning.

## LAST DAY TO RENEW ANNUAL LUTHERAN WITNESS

Lutheran Witness renewal for the new subscription year is July 2023. The price is \$19.20 for 11 issues. If you are interested in receiving the Lutheran Witness Magazine, please use the pew envelopes, and designate for Lutheran Witness.

## LUKE BIBLE STUDY

The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon is leading a study this week in Luke 22 on The Institution of the Lord's Supper, Who Is the Greatest?, Jesus Foretells Peter's Denial, Scripture Must Be Fulfilled in Jesus, Jesus Prays in the Mount of Olives and The Betrayal & Arrest of Jesus. You can listen at your convenience at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

## LET US PRAY FOR...

Please keep this list available for your daily devotions. *For prayer requests Church office (623) 846-2228, or email at [info@stpaul Lutheran-az.com](mailto:info@stpaul Lutheran-az.com). Prayer requests are removed after three weeks.*

### IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:

**Kevin Stamm** – recovering from surgery and spinal infection

**Christopher Richards** – recovering from fall and receiving physical therapy

### ON-GOING CONCERNS:

**Beulah Richards** – for health concerns

**Charlie Cook** – recovering at home

**Bea Hendricks** – fell and currently in a care center

**Michael Moreno** – recovering from surgery

**Rose Tressler** – health issues

**Jon Brant** – health problems

**Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker, Pat Haas, Judith Kuhajda**

**Barbara Sand** – multiple health issues

**Dennis Stonecypher** – seeking employment

**Suzanne Berna** – health concerns

**Wayne Bartels** – ongoing health issues

**Suzi Riley** – suffering from sleep apnea

**Jorge Jimenez** – fighting cancer

### FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

**Lu Albanese** (friend of Vickie Hulteen) will be undergoing surgery for an intestinal growth on April 14.

**Robin Proctor** (mother of Pastor Proctor) broke her wrist and recovering from surgery.

**Pam Werdabaugh** (mother of Dan Noggle) diagnosed with cancer and undergoing radiation treatment.

**Jean Lorenzen** (mother of Debbie Dyjak) cognitive function has worsened and has entered a care facility.

### MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, Joan, serving in Japan.

Rev. Steven Massey and son, Marco, serving in Guatemala.

PSWD Missions

Rev. Stephen Oliver and wife, Maggie, and children, serving in Taiwan and the Asia Region.

### PRAY FOR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH/THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD:

The Rev. Jeff Proctor and family

Sunday School teachers & children

Maryvale Preparatory Academy families & staff

LCMS officers, congregations & schools

Lexington Life Academy families & staff

**OUR NATION:** For all elected and appointed public servants, and all who labor to maintain peace and order.

**FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY** (*members, friends, or relatives*): **Juan Garcia, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Gilmore, Ethan Peterman, Robert Majewski, Mike Nguyen, Jacob Wilson, Lucas Butterfass, Nathanael Dyjak, Erich Dyjak**

**OUR SHUT-INS:** Anne Smith