

# Paul's Story

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# Our Story

February 9, 2020

**5th Sunday of Epiphany**

**February 9, 2020**

**Setting Eight**

*Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.*

**PRELUDE**

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**GATHERING**

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**C Almighty God, by the preaching of your servant Paul, you caused the light of the Gospel to be spread to all peoples of the world. May we celebrate and follow in his foot steps to speak of our own faith in you. May we be examples of your love in all the world showing in our lives the word of the Gospels. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** Let us remember Paul's teaching to the Galatians, that we are all children of God this day.

**C We are all God's children through faith in Jesus Christ. All who are baptized into Christ are clothed with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek; there is neither slave nor free; nor is there male or female, for all are one in Jesus Christ. (*Galatians 3:26-28*)**

**P** We are all children of God. Yet, we fail in many ways to live into this promise. Therefore, let us turn to the Lord and confess our ways.

**P** Gracious God,

**C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**P** God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C Amen.**

# GATHERING HYMN

*Gather Us In*

ELW 532

## GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

## KYRIE

*Refrain*



Congregation Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

Solo

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the

2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the

3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for

4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for  
hun-gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam-i-ly; for  
wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

*Refrain*



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the  
Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be  
peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and  
*Refrain*  
hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. This is the feast of  
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-  
le-lu-ia. 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and  
join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,  
glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the  
Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

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**WORD**

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**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:1-9A**

*Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.*

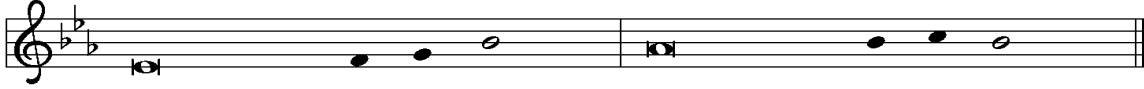
<sup>1</sup>Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. <sup>3</sup>“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? <sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9a</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God

Psalm 112:1-9 [10]

*Sung responsively*



<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD  
and have great delight in | God's commandments!  
<sup>2</sup>**Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;  
the generation of the upright | will be blessed.**  
<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be | in their house,  
and their righteousness will | last forever.  
<sup>4</sup>**Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;  
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.**  
<sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending  
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.  
<sup>6</sup>**For they will nev- | er be shaken;  
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.**  
<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;  
their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD.  
<sup>8</sup>**Their heart is established and | will not shrink,  
until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.**  
<sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands | fast forever;  
they will hold up their | head with honor.  
[<sup>10</sup>**The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and |  
pine away;  
the desires of the wick- | ed will perish.]**

**SECOND READING: 1ST CORINTHIANS 2:1-12 [13-16]**

*Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.*

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

<sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him”—<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [<sup>13</sup>And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. <sup>14</sup>Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God’s Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else’s scrutiny. <sup>16</sup>“For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.]

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel, according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

#### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:13-16

*In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God’s commandments.*

<sup>13</sup>Jesus said to his disciples: “You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. <sup>14</sup>You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY

HYMN OF THE DAY

*This Little Light of Mine*

ELW HYMN 677

*Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.*

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles’ Creed.

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.**

THE PRAYERS

A Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

A Holy God, it is your desire that all people might come to know you intimately. Lead our communities, especially Peace Lutheran in Albert, Emmanuel Lutheran in Hoisington, and Hope Lutheran in Rush Center, Kansas into deeper relationship with you. May your church radiate your righteousness to all whom we encounter. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A God of creation, you quench the dry ground, bringing water that sustains life. Satisfy the needs of all the earth, so that all living things bear witness to your verdant grace and continue to shout your praise. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**



A God of glory, during your time here on earth you were crucified by powerful rulers who did not understand you. Grant leaders in our day wisdom and discernment, that they may recognize you in the lives of the people they serve. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A God of justice, you free us from the oppression that binds us and exhort us to serve one another. Liberate us from all fear, bigotry, and greed, and set our hearts and minds on love, equality, and justice. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A God of life, you reveal your saving love to us through the power of your Spirit. Bless those among us who are preparing to encounter your invigorating will in a new way, especially those preparing for or affirming baptism. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A God of joy, we celebrate with Martha Nemeth as she remembers her baptism. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P God of all eternity, we give you thanks for the lives of the saints who have pointed us towards faithfulness in you. May we trust in your endless mercy and grace. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

#### **THE PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another with God's peace.*

*Please be seated.*

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## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

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OFFERING

*Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P 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. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with Paul and all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

#### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P 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.

P 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.

C Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C **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

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*Please be seated.*

#### LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

*We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share with us in Holy Communion. All are welcome to join us at the Lord's table. White grape juice is available as an alternative to wine. Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate a desire to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing. We now have gluten-free communion wafers available. If gluten-free is your preference, please let the pastor know when you are at the communion rail.*

<b>COMMUNION HYMNS</b>	<i>One Bread, One Body</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 496</b>
	<i>Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 712</b>

*Please stand as you are able.*

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A** God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen**

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**SENDING**

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**BLESSING**

**P** May God bless you and send you in mission to the world. In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C Amen.**

<b>SENDING HYMN</b>	<i>Rise, Shine, You People!</i>	<b>ELW 665</b>
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**SENDING**

**A** Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

***Welcome to worship at Trinity!***

***Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you, members and visitors, found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767***



**LUTHERAN FINE ARTS COUNCIL OF TOPEKA**

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### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Feb. 9 .....Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM

Mon., Feb. 10 ..... Women's AA..... 5:00 PM

Tues., Feb. 11 ..... Quilters .....9:00 AM  
 .....Church Council Meeting..... 5:30 PM

Wed., Feb. 12 ..... Women's AA..... 5:30 PM  
 ..... Historic Old Town NIA Meeting..... 6:30 PM

Thurs., Feb. 13 ..... Men's AA ..... 7:00 PM

Sunday, Feb. 16.....Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM

Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Musicians	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
February 9, 2020	<b>Sam &amp; Charlotte Blenden</b>	<b>Walt Laughlin</b>	<b>Laurie Jackson</b>	<b>Ted Murphy</b>	<b>Ted Murphy</b>	<b>Cindy McGinnis &amp; Team 1</b>	<b>Dean McGinnis</b>	<b>Mary Heald</b>	<b>Pr. Andrew Patty</b>
February 16, 2020	<b>Martha Nemeth</b>	<b>Duane Pomeroy</b>	<b>Mitch Bean</b>	<b>Duane Pomeroy</b>	<b>Rosie Nichols</b>	<b>Cindy McGinnis &amp; Team 1</b>	<b>Duane &amp; Debbie Pomeroy</b>	<b>Ted Murphy</b>	<b>Pr. Andrew Patty</b>
February 23, 2020	<b>Marilyn Hypse</b>	<b>Ted Murphy</b>	<b>Laurie Jackson</b>	<b>Debbie Pomeroy</b>	<b>Cindy McGinnis</b>	<b>Cindy McGinnis &amp; Team 1</b>	<b>Walt &amp; Helen Laughlin</b>	<b>Rosie Nichols</b>	<b>Pr. Andrew Patty</b>

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
Jan. 12	\$2,626.00	\$130.00	\$2,756.00	-\$2,648.00	\$108.00	24/21
Jan. 19	\$1,741.00	\$190.00	\$1,931.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$717.00	41/37
Jan. 26	\$1,856.00	\$100.00	\$1,956.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$692.00	44/43
Feb. 2	\$3,544.74	\$460.00	\$4,004.74	-\$2,648.00	\$1,356.74	31/32
The money shown in the "Other" column is restricted and not available for our general fund.						
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		Dec 2019	\$23,177.25	-\$10,912.91	\$12,264.34	
		Jan. - Dec	\$133,387.14	-\$133,318.79	\$68.35	



The mission of  
**Trinity Evangelical  
 Lutheran Church**  
 is to

- worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- serve those in need, and
- reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!

**T**ogether in Community • **L**iving with Christ • **C**aring for Neighbors

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