

# Paul's Story

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Malatya • Nene  
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Paphlagonia • Perga  
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Thessalonica • Throni  
Troglyium • Tyre

January 26, 2020

# Our Story

*Third Sunday of Epiphany*

*January 26, 2020*

**Setting Eight**

*Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.*

**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

*We Are Marching in the Light*

ELW 866

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, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

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**WORD**

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**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 9:1-4**

*The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them.*

<sup>1</sup>There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
on them light has shined.

<sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.

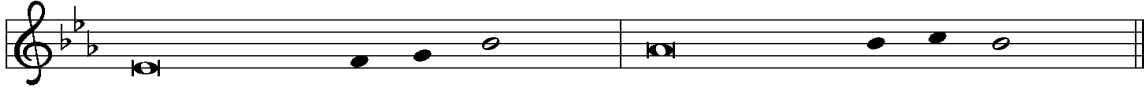
<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God**

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

*Sung responsively*



<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then | shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

<sup>4</sup>**One thing I ask of the LORD; one | thing I seek;**

**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God | in the temple.**

<sup>5</sup>For in the day of trouble God will | give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up- | on a rock.

<sup>6</sup>**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies | who surround me.**

**Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music | to the LORD.**

<sup>7</sup>Hear my voice, O LORD, | when I call;

have mercy on me and | answer me.

<sup>8</sup>**My heart speaks your message— | “Seek my face.”**

**Your face, O LORD, | I will seek.**

<sup>9</sup>Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- | vant in anger.

Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of | my salvation.

**SECOND READING: 1ST CORINTHIANS 1:10-18**

*Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God’s salvation.*

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters.

<sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, “I belong to Paul,” or “I belong to Apollos,” or “I belong to Cephas,” or “I belong to Christ.” <sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

<sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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 fourth chapter.

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

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-23**

*Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God's reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.*

<sup>12</sup>When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>that what had been said through Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled:

<sup>15</sup>"Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,  
the way to the sea, beyond the Jordan,  
Galilee of the Gentiles,

<sup>16</sup>the people who sit in darkness  
have seen a great light,  
on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death  
light has arisen."

<sup>17</sup>From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." <sup>18</sup>As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of

men.” <sup>20</sup>At once they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them, <sup>22</sup>and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him. <sup>23</sup>He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

**PASTOR ANDREW C. PATTY**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Will You Come and Follow Me*

**ELW HYMN 798**

*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 Called together through water and the Word, we boldly pray for the church, the world, and all who long to hear God’s voice.

*A brief silence.*

A Holy One, your voice calls us to follow. Thank you for raising up missionaries in every generation and for all who create communities of grace today, especially St. Andrew Lutheran in Columbia, Holy Cross Lutheran in Creve Coeur, Redeemer Lutheran in Desoto, and Community Lutheran in Eagle Rock, Missouri. Open our hearts to serve you near and far. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Maker of all, we rejoice in the beauty and abundance of the earth. Unite us in our shared calling to be stewards of creation, to reduce waste, and to simplify our lives for your sake. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Ruler of all, thank you for those who run for local and national office, and all who serve as elected leaders. Gather wise and courageous voices together, that



your mercy and justice would dawn upon all people and nations. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Healer of all, thank you for sanctuary and safety. Uplift all who live where fear governs and evil divides. Give refugees and all who seek safety a path toward hope and new life. Grant healing and wholeness to all who are grieving, lonely, or sick, especially Walt Laughlin, Dorothy Strom, and Martha Nemeth. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of courage, thank you for faithful teachers and evangelists in this and every place. Inspire our faith formation efforts with all generations as you call us to follow you. Bless our children, youth, and adults who engage in learning. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of joy, we celebrate with Zane Kennedy and Keith Springer as they celebrate their birthdays and with Matthew Kobbeman as he remembers his baptism. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Risen Lord, we marvel at the meaning of your resurrection. Give us faith to place all hope in you as we give thanks for the faithful departed. May their witness help us follow your call. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P We place our prayers before you, God, united in your Spirit; through your beloved Son, 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.

**COMMUNION HYMNS** *One Bread, One Body* **ELW HYMN 496**  
*You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore* **ELW HYMN 817**

**C Amen.**

## *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*

Jesus prepared a meal for the multitudes to remind us that we feed people not because we believe they deserve it, but because they're hungry.

Since November 26, we have handed out 85 bags of food. Here is a list of the items that we need to fill each bag. Thanks for your help!

- 1 Canned Meat (Chicken, Tuna, Spam)
- 1 Pasta/Noodles & Spaghetti Sauce or 2 Canned Pastas
- 2 Mac & Cheese
- 1 Canned Vegetables
- 1 Canned/Dried Beans
- 1 Rice
- 1 Instant Potatoes
- 1 Canned Fruit/Applesauce/Fruit Cup
- 1 Peanut Butter
- 1 Canned Soup
- 4 Ramen Noodles
- 1 Breakfast Item (Bars/Instant Oatmeal/Cereal/Pop Tarts)

### *Remember our shut-ins!*

Lucille Brill	Marlene Hassan	Keith Springer
Peggy Buchholz	Roy O'Neil	Naomi Walker
Don Longren	Ron Owensby	



As a reminder...Due to HIPPA and Privacy Laws, hospitals and care facilities are not allowed to notify us when patients are admitted. Therefore, we ask that you or a friend or family member contact the church office if you will be entering a hospital or care facility, if you are unable to attend worship due to illness or mobility, or if you would like your name or that of a friend or family member included in the prayers. Call 233-0767 or email [office@topekatlc.org](mailto:office@topekatlc.org).

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Jan. 26 .....Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM  
 .....**Annual Meeting ..... after worship**

Mon., Jan. 27 ..... Women's AA..... 5:00 PM

Tues., Jan. 28 ..... Quilters ..... 9:00 AM

Wed., Jan. 29 ..... Women's AA..... 5:30 PM

Thurs., Jan. 30 ..... Men's AA ..... 7:00 PM

Sunday, Feb. 2.....Adult Sunday School.....9:15 AM  
 .....Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM

As we begin to tire of winter in late January, come celebrate the Epiphany season in song. EPIPHANY! LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE- a hymn fest- will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 2021 SW 29th, at 3:00 p.m. this afternoon, January 26th. The bell choir from Prince of Peace will be featured along with a mass choir of members from First, Faith, Our Savior's and Trinity Lutheran churches from Topeka and St. John in Alma. A freewill offering will be accepted. A reception will follow. Hosted by The Lutheran Fine Arts Council of Topeka.

Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Musicians	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
January 26, 2020	<b>Mike &amp; Shelley Andrews</b>	<b>Bob Horton</b>	<b>Laurie Jackson</b>	<b>Linda Longren</b>	<b>Marcy Carlson</b>	<b>Charlotte Blenden &amp; Team 3</b>	<b>No coffee hour</b>	<b>Mary Heald</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
Dec. 29	\$7,315.00	\$506.00	\$7,821.00	-\$2,648.00	\$5,173.00	29/25
Jan. 5	\$2,765.00	\$625.00	\$3,390.00	-\$2,648.00	\$742.00	35/32
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
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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