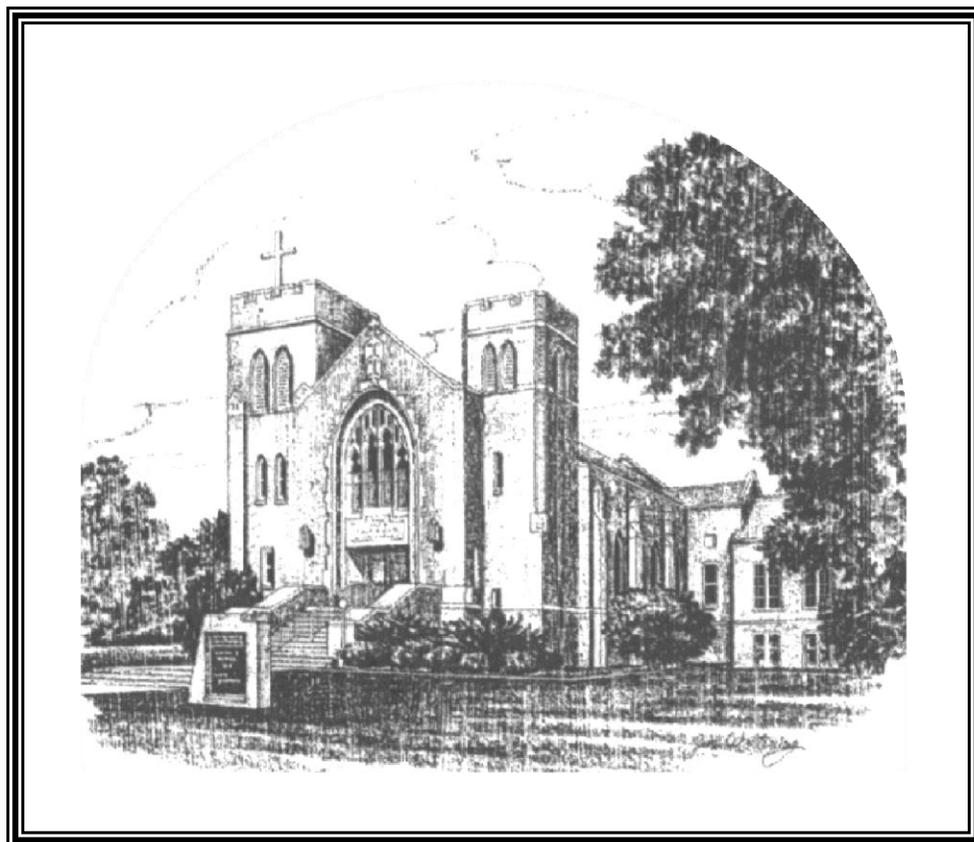


St. Paul Lutheran Church

Yorktown, TX



Saturday and Sunday

Holy Communion Services

3rd Sunday of Epiphany

January 23, 2022

Silent Prayer

O still, small voice, speak to us this hour, that we might become makers of your peace in our homes, in our communities, in our world. We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea. Amen.

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please take a moment to fill out an Attendance Card. You may leave them in the pew by the center aisle or drop them in the basket at the church entrance. (*) Indicates times in worship when you are invited to stand as you are able. (+) Indicates when it may be appropriate to make the sign of the cross.*

*OPENING HYMN

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

WOV #651

Shine Jesus Shine

- 1** Lord, the light of Your love is shining -
in the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the World,
shine upon us
Set us free by the truth
You now bring us,
Shine on me, shine on me. (Chorus)
- 2** Lord, I come to Your awesome
presence.
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your
brightness,
Search me, try me,
consume all my darkness,
Shine on me, shine on me. (Chorus)
- 3** As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirror'd here may our lives tell Your
story,
Shine on me, shine on me. (Chorus)
- Chorus:**
Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow, flood the nations
With grace and mercy;
Send Forth Your Word,
Lord, and let there be light.

***GREETING and DIALOGUE**

L: 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.

L: In the beginning was the Word,

C: And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

L: In the Word was life,

C: And the life was the light of all people.

L: The Word became flesh and lived among us,

C: And we have seen his glory, full of grace and truth.

*** CONFESSION**

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.

C: Amen.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day.

C: **Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit, that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HYMN

“We Three Kings”

WOV #646

We Three Kings of Orient Are



1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing
2 Born a king on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I
3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense
4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a
5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and



gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,
bring to crown him a - gain; king for - ev - er,
owns a de - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,
life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
God and Sac - ri - fice; heav'n sings al - le -



moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to reign.
glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God Most High.
bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.



Oh, star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright;



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

Text: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891, alt.
Music: THREE KINGS OF ORIENT, John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891

FIRST LESSON: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Lector: A reading from _____.

¹All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 19

¹The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

²**One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

³Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,

⁴**their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the world.**

⁵In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun;
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again;**

nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

⁷The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

- ⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- ¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**
- ¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹²**Who can tell how often he offends?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**
- ¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- ¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Lector: A reading from _____.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ^{31a}But strive for the greater gifts.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN of the DAY

“Softly and Tenderly”

WOV #734

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing,
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised,



call - ing for you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's
plead - ing for you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and
prom - ised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has



wait - ing and watch - ing, watch - ing for you and for me.
heed not his mer - cies, mer - cies for you and for me?
mer - cy and par - don, par - don for you and for me.



Refrain
“Come home, come home! You who are wea - ry, come home.”



Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly, Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, “O sin - ner, come home!”

Text: Will Thompson, 1847–1909
Music: THOMPSON, Will Thompson, 1847–1909

*** CONFESSION OF FAITH**

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,**

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
 Through Him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven;
 by the power of the Holy Spirit
 He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
 For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 He suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day He rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
 He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified.
 He has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***PRAYERS**

P: ... Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
 all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first-fruits give.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you embrace our lives with your great love for humanity. With joy and gladness we ask that these gifts may be for many a sign of that love, and that we may continue to share in your divine life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***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.

DISTRIBUTION of the ELEMENTS

All those who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the sacrament are welcome at His table. Those who are unable to receive communion, for any reason, may come forward to receive a blessing, and may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest. Parents, please indicate if children are to receive communion. If they are not yet receiving communion, children are encouraged to come to the table to receive a blessing. Available in the center of each tray is juice for those choosing not to drink wine. If you are unable to come to the altar and wish to receive communion, please inform the ushers so that the sacrament may be brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN: “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.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with spiritual food, the body and blood of Christ. All who come to you will not hunger, all who believe in you will not thirst. Empowered by this sacrament, send us back into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to share the gospel and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***BLESSING:**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and +give you peace.

C: Amen.

* **CLOSING HYMN** “We are Marching in the Light of God”

WOV #650

We Are Marching in the Light of God

We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching, We are marching,
We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching, We are marching,
We are marching in the light of God,

- 2 Dancing
- 3 Praying
- 4 Singing
- 5 Marching

***DISMISSAL**

P: As you go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

* Indicates times in worship when you are invited to stand as you are able.

ANNOUNCEMENT BULLETIN
3rd Sunday of Epiphany
Saturday, January 22, 2022 – 5:00 PM
Sunday, January 23, 2022 - 9:00 AM

HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES:

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad

Reader: Laurie Stevenson

Acolytes: Ty Fehner and Kendall Sievers

Musicians: Saturday – PT & Friends

Sunday – PT & Friends/Luellen

Saturday Altar Guild: Laura Kaiser

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad

Reader: Christopher Gohmert

Acolytes: Addison Corpus & Piper Peyton

Musicians: Saturday – Beverly Bruns

Sunday – Beverly Bruns

Saturday Altar Guild: Beverly Bruns

Helping with Worship during the month of January:

Head Usher: Darren Seifert

Ushers: John Frels, Braden Hahn, Chad Hahn, and Scott Stevenson

Altar Guild: Sharon & Callen Matejek and Laurie Stevenson

Saturday Usher: Albert Metting

KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:

Thank you to all who have been helpful in keeping the Pastor informed of members who are hospitalized.

PRAYERS FOR GOD’S PEOPLE Below is a list of individuals Pastor has been asked to include in our prayers during worship. We list these people in our bulletin to encourage you, the members, to include them in your daily prayers. *Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless the request is renewed.*

Aggie Arnold	Phillip Hoefling	Ryon Preslar
Warner & Anna Borth	Steven Hoefling	Gail Riedesel
Katherine Brown	Kenny Jacob	John & Ruth Roller
June Buchhorn	Lois Kelch	Pam Roth
Family of Lawrence Ckudre	Kermit Koehler	Kitty Sievers
Alicia Croy	Joyce Lamprecht	Joan Smith
Beverly Feller	Family of Terry Lamprecht	Lori Nelson Stenger
Verda Mae Foerster	Chelsea Lyssy	Mike & Deborah Stern
Karen Gaida	Lin Migura	Scott Sullivan
Daniel Goehring	Cole Ohrt	Fred Villarreal
Elaine Henze	Michael Pattillo	Ron & Marjorie Wilhelmsen

ST. PAUL OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:

Sunday (23rd)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	6:00 pm	AA Meeting
Wednesday (26th)	9:00 am	TLG Chapel
	4:30 pm	Children's Music Ministry
	6:00 pm	AA Meeting
Saturday 29th)	Fellowship Hall Reserved – I. Amador	
	5:00 pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday (30th)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:30 am	Confirmation Class
	6:00 pm	AA Meeting

THANK YOU! To all my Christian family and loved ones: Your thoughtfulness and cards are greatly appreciated. Love, Joyce Lamprecht

FATHER-DAUGHTER V-DAY DINNER: Daughters and Fathers join us in the fellowship hall for a delicious homemade spaghetti dinner! Sign up sheets in the basement. Call or Text Nicholas to also sign up. 02/09/22 630PM - 800PM

SUNDAY SCHOOL – We will still be having Sunday school during the congregational meeting.

RATIFICATION TO CHANGES TO THE NALC CONSTITUTION will be voted on at our Congregational Meeting on January 30, 2022. A copy of the ballot will be printed in the Annual Report which should be available by January 23. More information is in the complete Ratification Packet available in the entrance to the Education Building.

COVID SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS have been relaxed for our Worship Services. Masks are optional, but please respect each other in social distancing.

NOTICE: The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, January 30, 2022 - immediately following the Worship Service.

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