

## **GOSPEL: John 21:1-19**

<sup>1</sup>After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup>Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup>But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. <sup>9</sup>When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. <sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." <sup>18</sup>Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." <sup>19</sup>(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

## **PSALM 30**

<sup>1</sup>I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me. <sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. <sup>3</sup>O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. <sup>4</sup>Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. <sup>5</sup>For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning. <sup>6</sup>As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." <sup>7</sup>By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed. <sup>8</sup>To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication: <sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?" <sup>10</sup>Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!" <sup>11</sup>You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, <sup>12</sup>so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Next — Fourth Sunday of Easter: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

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# **Third Sunday of Easter May 1, 2022**

## **St. Paul's Lutheran Church**

**Sunday Service at 9:30AM**

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## Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Join us for worship on Sundays at 9:30am

While LA County has formally rescinded the masking order as of 3/4/22, masks are still being recommended for use in public settings, such as our worship space. For the safety of our at-risk members and our current visiting pastor, please wear a mask and maintain social distancing for the time being.

If you have forgotten a mask, we do have extras, in both adult and kid sizes, in the Narthex.

### News and Needs

- **The Lord's Supper**, our sharing of the bread and wine as Jesus invites us to do, is open to all who accept the presence of Jesus in this simple meal. Jesus comes to us with forgiveness independently of our human understanding. We continue to use pre-filled communion chalices for a sanitary, safe, and traditional communion experience. We rejoice in our opportunity to join together in praise and thanksgiving to God. Newcomers among us are invited to participate in every aspect of our worship. Any questions? Please ask.
- Today we are happy to welcome back **Pr. David Berkedal**, who will preside over our worship this morning and next Sunday.
- **Coffee Hour & Fellowship will be held in the lounge following today's service.** Today's refreshments are provided by The Cortez Family, in honor of Julianna's 9th Birthday. There is a sign-up sheet on the board in the lounge for volunteers to host for the coming Sundays.
- **Concerts Return to St. Paul's:** The All American Boys Chorus will present their tribute to Mothers' Day on Saturday, May 7th at 6 pm in our sanctuary. There is no charge, but a free-will offering will be taken in support of this wonderful program. Flyers inviting the community are available in the Narthex. We hope you will be able to attend & bring family & friends.
- **The City of Monterey Park will be hosting a few events in honor of their 106th birthday celebration.** Festivities will start on May 5th with the 38th Annual Cinco de Mayo festival at Barnes Park from 5-10PM. There will be a carnival, food, and live music with a Vicente Fernandez tribute band. On May 6th, there will be a concert performed by Cici Lau and Danny So (Little Beetle) at 6PM. For a list of other events, please see our community bulletin board or visit the website <https://www.montereypark.ca.gov/709/City-Birthday-Celebration>.
- **The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments** is collecting donations to help out the homeless communities in our area as well as items for welcome kits for the new housing village opening in Montebello on May 18th. Items on the wishlist are posted in the Narthex and can either be brought to church by May 15th or bought directly from Amazon. The link to their wishlist is <https://amzn.to/3FiP60W>
- **Thank a teacher!** Today begins National Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you to all the educators in our congregation, our friends at Meher Montessori, and those in our community for doing an amazing job!
- **May 4th is International Firefighter Appreciation Day.** This is a day to not only remember and honor the fallen, but to show appreciation for those who continue to serve their communities. We thank firefighters worldwide and especially thank our neighbors at Fire Station 62 for all the work they do for us and for Monterey Park.

### FIRST READING: Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

<sup>1</sup> Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup> He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" <sup>5</sup> He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup> But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."


### SECOND READING: Revelation 5:11-14

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup> singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup> Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup> And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

### Prayer of the Day

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Pray for these we know to be in need of resolution, healing, support and comfort:

 The Cisneros family; Ivy & John Conklin; Austin Marsh; Ewalani Odachi; Brian Kurihara; George Aspeitia; Jim Gagne; Ed Sais; Carol & Larry Sullivan; Celia Torres; Hazel Booth; Maxine Miller's son, Leonard; Aki Fukui; Lily Fukui; Karri Padilla; Susan & Gene Ramirez; Margarete Schwall; Millie Powell; Mai Madrigal & her family; Phil Stanton; Meher Montessori School; and all who are still being affected by COVID-19 in our nation; for those who face discrimination; for our country, our military and first responders; watch over those who are affected by the war in Ukraine. May all families be reunited and let there be a peaceful resolution.



### Birthdays in May:

- **Julianna Cortez (May 5)**
- **David Cisneros (May 17)**
- **George Sais (May 29)**