

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C a people holy to the LORD our God.

Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

C Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

One does not live by bread alone,

C but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

KYRIE

Refrain



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



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



- 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

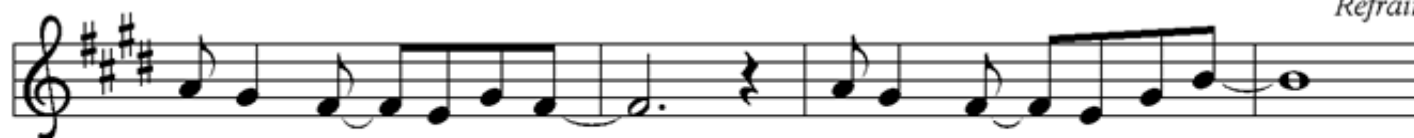


u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



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.

GREETING

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.

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

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24

¹⁸Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light; ¹⁹as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. ²⁰Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? ²¹I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. ²²Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. ²³Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. ²⁴But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 70

(Refrain: You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, do not tarry.)

¹Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O LORD, make haste to help me.

C ²Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.
(Refrain)

³Let those who say to me “Aha!” and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.

C ⁴Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, “Great is the LORD!”

⁵But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God. You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, do not tarry.

C *(Refrain)*

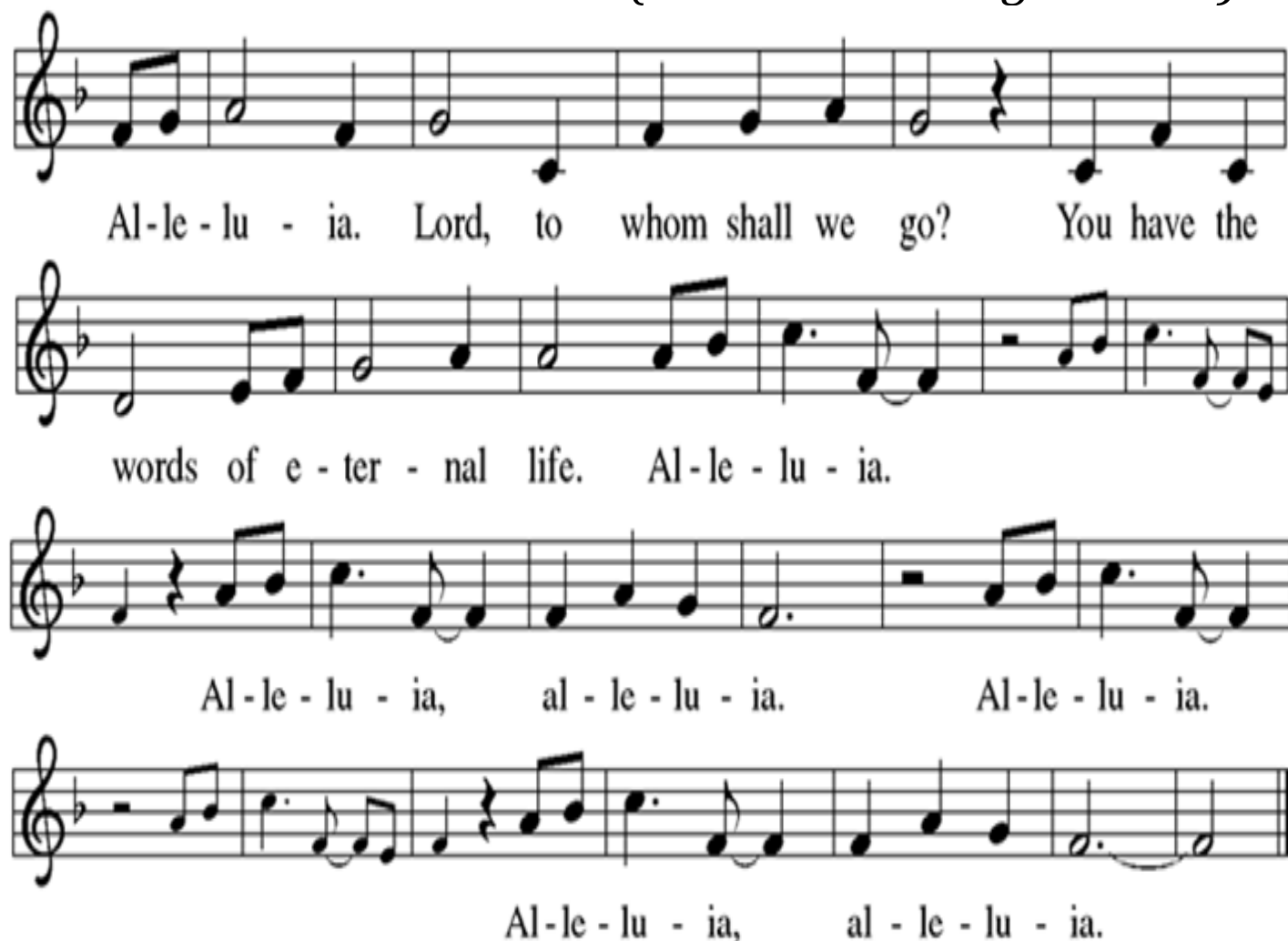
SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(10 measures organ intro)*



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.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a 10-measure organ introduction. The lyrics are: '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.' The score ends with a double bar line.

GOSPEL: John 5:1-9

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ²Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. ³In these lay many invalids — blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight

years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" ⁷The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." ⁸Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." ⁹At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *Tim Padgett*

HYMN OF THE DAY *LBW 31* *"Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying (vs. 1 & 3)"*

APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under

Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

O God for whom we wait, come quickly to your people, bring your salvation, and center us in hope found only in you. Deepen our faith through meaningful worship and send us out with your justice and truth. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

O God for whom we watch, we glimpse your power in rushing water and your beauty in the darkening night. Restore this creation, and provide clean water

to all people and animals. Save us from foolish, wasteful living. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

O God for whom we long, let justice roll down like waters on all nations. Bless citizens with wise leaders; save your children from war. We pray for the veterans of this community, that they are supported and loved. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

O God, in whom we hope, we pray for all who are in need. Provide for those who experience homelessness or hunger, support the under or unemployed, and comfort any who are suffering this day. *(We pray especially for Rob Ballard, Leroy Bleemel, Keith Freyberger, Jane Harris, Juanita Hembree, Cheri Kieffner, Eugene Keller, Zach Leinenbach, Judy Lorey, Logan Musgrave, Steve Rothgerber, Dolores Russell, Annette Schepers, Donnie Schwenk, Becky Seibert, Jim Seitz, Cindy Seng, Dana Senninger, Martha Jane Tucker and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. *(We pray especially for Austin Breitwieser, Luke Himsel and Cooper Uebelhor.)* Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

O God for whom we listen, inspire the music ministry of our congregation. Fill our worship with songs to proclaim your greatness. Help us to sing and dance with joy and tell boldly of your salvation. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



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 your pres - ence, and take



not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

C God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich

blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN *WOV 763* *"Let Justice Flow like Streams"*

DISMISSAL

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Mission Statement: *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship,
Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: Tim & Julie Hoffman
Comm. Asst: JoAn Breitwieser
Video: Geoff Stallwood
Organist: Arlene Vonderheide
Lay Reader: Melanie Freyberger
Audio: Doug Wiseman
Acolytes: Jake Lottes & Kogan Kalb
Altar Guild: Donna Rasche & Shirley Stallwood

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 161 SS: 20

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Nov. 12th – Nov. 19th, 2023

Sun. Nov. 12 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service (no communion)
	10:00 AM	LYO Meeting
Tues. Nov. 14 th	6:30 PM	Property Meeting
Wed. Nov. 15 th	6:30 PM	Confirmation
Thurs. Nov. 16 th	5:30 PM	Worship & Music Meeting
Sun. Nov. 19 th	7:30 AM	Church Council Meeting
	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a short LYO meeting in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning worship service today.

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The annual congregational meeting-part 1 will be held immediately following the morning worship service on Sunday, November 26th. At this meeting we will vote on approving the budget as well as vote on five new members for the 2024 church council (*Barb Schnarr, Jeff Schmitt, Terry Seitz, Shirley Stallwood and Doug Wiseman*). Breakfast will be served by the LYO immediately following the meeting.

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WELCA BOOK SIGN-UPS

There are sign-up sheets on the welcome center desk for committees for the 2024 year. Committees include flower, visiting, birthday cakes for members 85 and older, and refreshments for our monthly meetings. Please review the list and faithfully consider one of these projects.

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Annual reports for each committee will need to be dropped in office or emailed to Jenny Begle at secretaryst.paul@frontier no later than December 3rd. Contact Jenny if you need assistance.

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CHRISTMAS WREATHS HONORING VETERANS

Wreaths Across America is a program dedicated to the placement of Christmas Wreaths on the gravesites of Veterans buried in Arlington Cemetery and elsewhere in our nation.

St. Paul's is participating in a similar program this year. Through donations to the cemetery, artificial wreaths with bows have been purchased to be placed on the gravesites of the Veterans buried in our cemetery.

The Cemetery Board is asking for individuals to help place the wreaths on the graves. Volunteers are asked to meet at St. Paul's Cemetery by 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 16th.

We believe this will be a very touching event and we are inviting all of you to come to participate. Observers are also encouraged to come and can even remain in the car to watch if desired.

The event will go on rain or shine since it is in conjunction with the national event being held on this same date.

Wreaths will be removed from the graves at 12:30 PM on Saturday, January 6, 2024.

Please plan to participate or observe this patriotic event to honor our Veterans. The date and time, again, is ***SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th AT 2:00 PM.***

If you have any questions call Marvin, Harvey or Tom.



St. Paul's will be collecting food items for our local food bank during the month of December. This would be a great way to get the whole family involved in giving this Christmas season. Create a box for the whole month or add single items to the grocery cart in the welcome center.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

**EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX.
ON CHRISTMAS EVE DONATE THE CONTENTS TO A
FOOD BANK.**

- December 1 - box of cereal
- December 2 - peanut butter
- December 3 - stuffing mix
- December 4 - boxed potatoes
- December 5 - macaroni and cheese
- December 6 - canned fruit
- December 7 - canned tomatoes
- December 8 - canned tuna
- December 9 - dessert mix
- December 10 - jar of applesauce
- December 11 - canned sweet potatoes
- December 12 - cranberry sauce
- December 13 - canned beans
- December 14 - box of crackers
- December 15 - package of rice
- December 16 - package of oatmeal
- December 17 - package pasta
- December 18 - spaghetti sauce
- December 19 - chicken noodle soup
- December 20 - tomato soup
- December 21 - can corn
- December 22 - can mixed vegetables
- December 23 - can carrots
- December 24 - can green beans

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EMMANUEL LUTHERAN HILL CHURCH

Invites you to join us
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD
3:30 in the afternoon

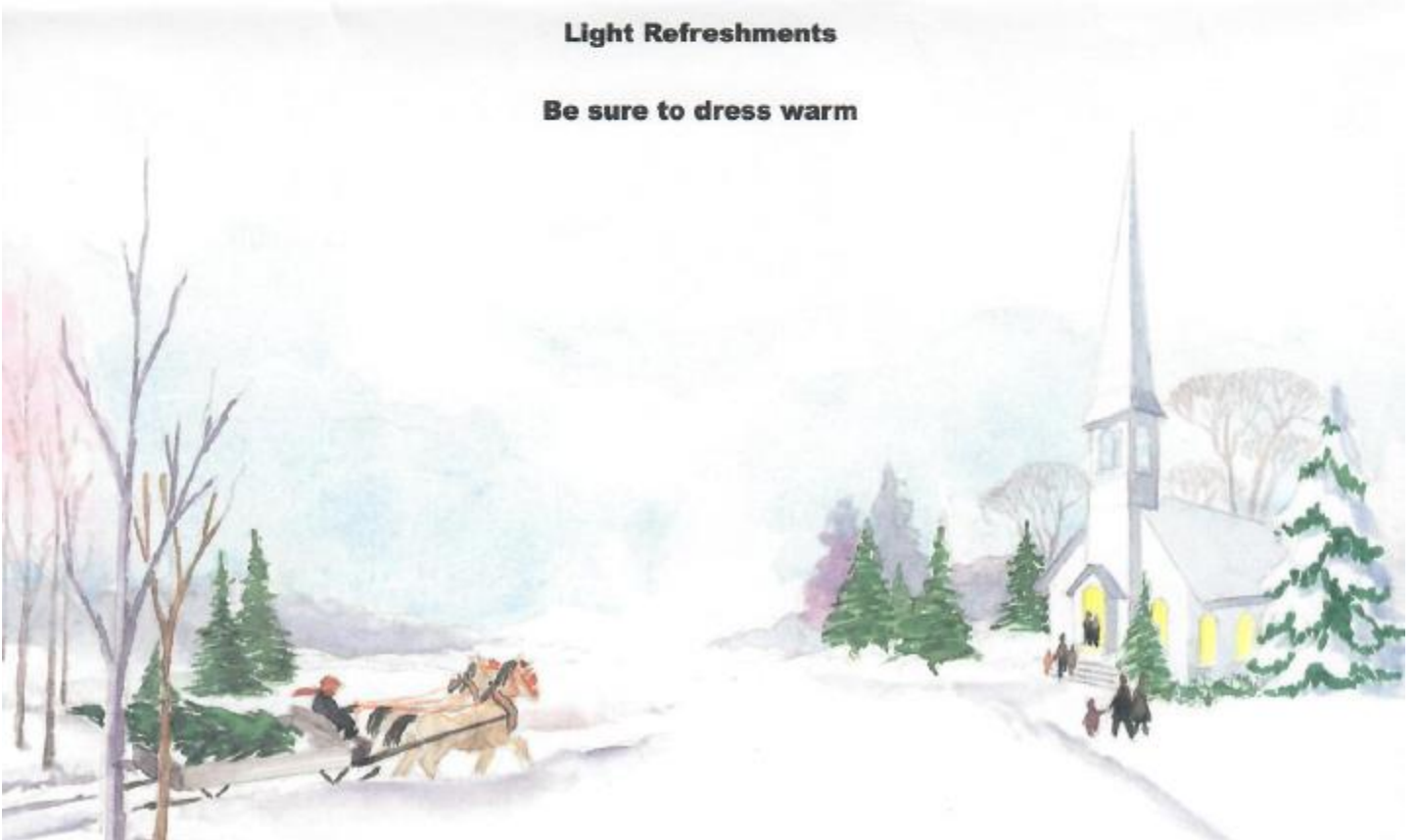
Come participate in singing old fashioned Christmas hymns at Hill Church

Church will be decorated in the Christmas spirit

Fellowship

Light Refreshments

Be sure to dress warm





Visit With Santa

Sunday December 3

11:00 – 1:30

At Firehouse

Join the Fun

Sponsored by Haysville Ruritan Club

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CEMETERY DUES REMINDER: Active members, desiring burial rights, are required to pay cemetery dues of a minimum of **twenty dollars** per family. This includes all members in immediate family, including non-member spouses, and children under the age of eighteen. Every member over eighteen years of age shall be required to pay the minimum cemetery dues

as an individual. No additional charge for gravesites shall be made to members of St. Paul's whose dues are current.

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In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser	Redzikowo, Poland
AM-1 Luke Himself	Virginia Beach, VA
Cooper Uebelhor	Colorado Springs, CO

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