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**HIGHLY FAVORED
I TREASURE YOUR BEAUTY**
May 21, 22, and 25, 2022

We opened the series intro with the question, what makes a woman beautiful? Today, more than ever, we need the scriptures to guide and clarify those standards. We also need Christian individuals, especially men, to hold up and unflinchingly promote those standards with words and actions!

BELLS AND WELCOME

OPENING HYMN 168

With High Delight Let Us Unite

**With high delight Let us unite
In songs of sweet jubilation.
You pure in heart, Each take your part,
Sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.
To set us free Forever, he Is ris'n and sends To all earth's ends
Good news to save ev'ry nation.**

**True God, he first From death has burst
Forth into life, all subduing.
His enemy Shall vanquished lie;
His death has been death's undoing.
"And yours shall be Like victory O'er death and grave,"
Said he, who gave His life for us, life renewing.**

**Let praises ring; Give thanks and bring
To Christ our Lord adoration.
His honor speed By word and deed
To ev'ry land, ev'ry nation.
So shall his love Give us above, From misery And death set free,
All joy and full consolation.**

L O Lord, o - pen my lips.

C And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.

L Hasten to save me, O God.

C O Lord, come quickly to help me.

L Give glory to God, our light and our life.

C Come, oh, come, let us wor - ship.

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① Come, oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,

② let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;

③ come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,

Repeat for use with canon

come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.

Verses

1. You are a great and a won - drous God,
2. Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,

cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.

You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
You are the God whom we call our own,

to Refrain

you made the seas and the dry land.
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, your Word teaches us that you do not look at the outward appearance, but at the heart.

Teach us to revere most highly the true beauty of the inner fruits of your Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness and self-control.

Then, grant us these gifts that we may display them in our lives
to your glory and praise.

We pray in Jesus' name. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Ruth 1:6-18, Bible page 263

Ruth's beauty is demonstrated in her love for, support of, and faithfulness to her mother-in-law, Naomi.

PSALM OF THE DAY (Saturday and Wednesday)

Psalm 71, Hymnal page 92

In you, O Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

MEDITATION MUSIC (Sunday)

How Majestic Is Your Name

By Michael Smith arranged by Linda Lamb

GOSPEL

Luke 1:26-38, Bible page 1025

Mary's beauty is demonstrated in her faith as well as her humble submission to God's will.

RATIFICATION OF BAPTISM (Sunday 9:15 am)

Natalie Joy Strutz

Daughter of Randall and Christel (nee Frey) Strutz, born May 6, 2022

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY 497, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5

This Is My Will

This is my will, my one command,
That love should dwell among you all.
This is my will, that you should love
As I have shown that I love you.

"No greater love can any have
Than that one die to save his friends.
You are my friends if you obey
What I command that you should do.

"You chose not me, but I chose you,
That you should go and bear much fruit.
I chose you out that you in me
Should bear much fruit that will abide.

"All that you ask my Father dear
For my name's sake you shall receive.
This is my will, my one command,
That love should dwell in each, in all.

SERMON

1 Timothy 2; 1 Peter 2:11-12; 3:1-7, 13-17

Pastor Pete Panitzke

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

"I call you now no longer slaves;
No slave knows all the master does.
I call you friends, for all I hear
My Father say, you hear from me.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

With all our hearts and with all our minds, we pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our community of Muskego, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth that God has given us and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For _____, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 491

O Master of the Loving Heart

O Master of the loving heart,
The friend of all in need,
We pray that we may be like you
In thought and word and deed.

Your days were full of kindly acts;
Your speech was true and plain;
Of those who ever sought you, Lord,
None came to you in vain.

Your face was warm with sympathy;
Your hand God's strength revealed;
Who saw your face or felt your touch
Were comforted and healed.

Oh, grant us hearts like yours, dear Lord,
So joyous, free and true,
That all your children, ev'rywhere,
Be drawn by us to you.

CLOSING PRAYER

Let us pray.

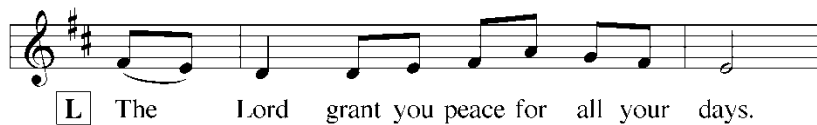
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we have found in your Word and in your assurance of love and forgiveness the rest that you have promised.

Refreshed, renewed, and revived, we are ready to work in your kingdom.

We gladly take on this burden, for it is no burden at all for those who live in your love. We bless you now and forevermore.

Amen.

BLESSING



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ST. PAUL'S CONNECTION

WORSHIP TIMES CHANGE NEXT SUNDAY

From Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, we are trying a different Sunday worship schedule.

Traditional services – 8:00 and 9:30 am

Bridge service – 10:15 with communion at 9:45 am

Grace Room Bible study at 9:15 am

The Saturday and Wednesday service times remain unchanged. Near the end of the summer, we will evaluate this change and seek feedback from the congregation.

FAREWELL TO OUR CALLED WORKERS

We thank Mrs. Julie Shevey, Ms. Kristen Miller, and Ms. Lindsay Schneider for their service to St. Paul's. Our school's ministry has been blessed through their teaching, and we pray that they experience a smooth transition into their new roles.

Our LES school teachers will be hosting an Under the Canopy this Sunday, 8:45 – 9:15 am and 10:15 – 10:45 am, to say farewell to Julie, Kristen, and Lindsay. We invite you to enjoy a time of fellowship as well as a treat!