



Worship Anew

Weekly Scripture Readings & Sermon Summaries

May 2025

The Conversion of Paul

May 4, 2025 – Third Sunday of Easter

Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

Paul was a fierce enemy of Christianity, so his conversion to faith in Jesus was an amazing event. This was totally unexpected. But God can do anything because of His almighty power and because of His awesome grace, mercy, and love.

Sermon Text: Acts 9:1-9, 17-20

Readings: Psalm 30:1-5; Acts 9:1-9, 17-20; John 21:1-14

Featured Choir: St. John Adult Choir, Indianapolis, IN

Featured Art and Architecture: Savior of All Lutheran Church, Cartersville, GA

Compassionate Pursuit

May 11, 2025 – Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

The Bible identifies Jesus Christ as both "The Lamb" and "The Good Shepherd." Jesus Christ, The Lamb, has endured every pain inflicted by a sin-broken world. Jesus Christ, The Good Shepherd, pursues us with goodness and mercy "all the days of my life" (Psalm 23:6 ESV).

Sermon Text: Psalm 23:6

Readings: Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

Featured Choirs:

- *St. Paul Singing Saints, St. Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia, MO*
- *Holy Cross Angelis Choir, Holy Cross Lutheran School, Fort Wayne, IN*
- *Junior Choir, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, IN*

Featured Art and Architecture: LCMS-U at Ball State, Muncie, IN

Hearts Will Rejoice!

May 18, 2025 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Shayne Jonker

"You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy" (John 16:20 ESV). You will have sorrow because this is a fallen world. But your sorrow will turn into joy because Jesus has taken your sorrow upon Himself

on the cross and to the grave. He is risen, victorious over sin death and the devil and yes, even your sorrow.

Sermon Text: John 16:20

Readings: Psalm 148; Revelation 21:1-7; John 16:12-22

Featured Choir:

- *Adult Choir, St. John Lutheran Church, Sherwood, OH*
- *LWML Indiana District Choir*
- *Jubilate, St. Paul Lutheran School, Munster, IN*

Featured Art and Architecture: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Indianapolis, IN

Here She Comes!

May 25, 2025 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Rev. William Mueller

Toward the end of the great revelation, the Lord Jesus gave His Apostle John a glimpse of the church (the totality of all who have believed in Jesus) after the return of Christ. What a glorious picture it is — a picture that gives hope and comfort to worn and worried Christians ... like you and me!

Sermon Text: Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

Readings: Psalm 67; Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27; John 16:23-33

Featured Choirs:

- *Adult Choir, St. Paul (Preble) Lutheran Church, Decatur, IN*
- *Junior Choir, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, IN*

Featured Art and Architecture: St. John Lutheran Church, Seward, NE