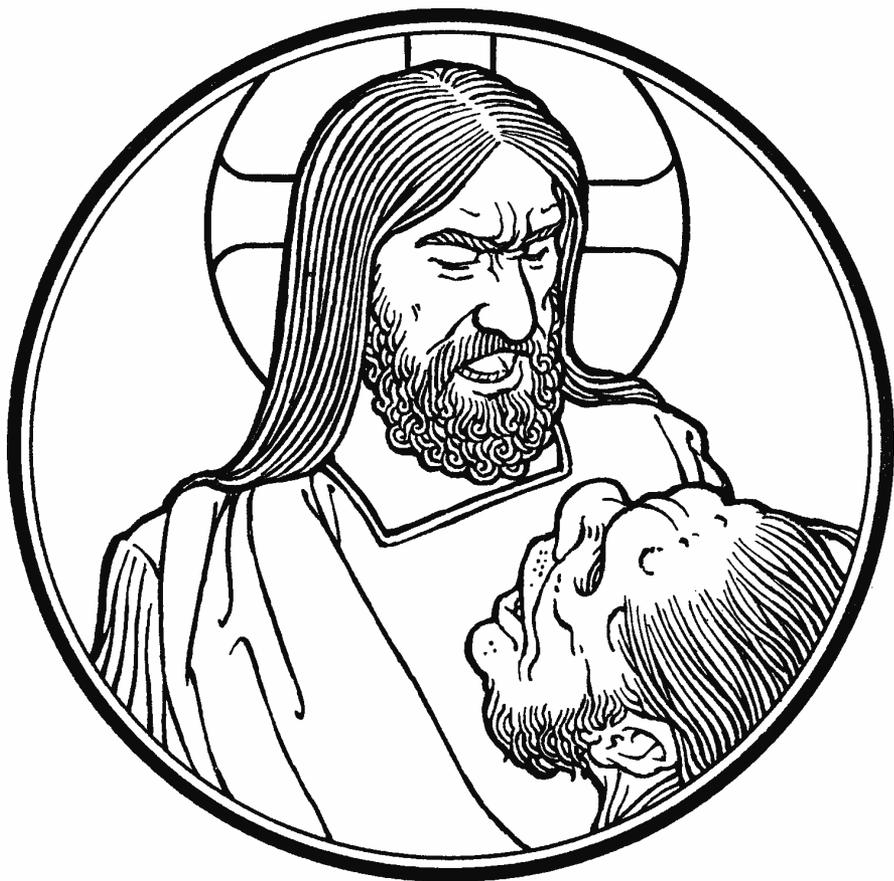


**4th Sunday
after Epiphany**



St. Paul Lutheran Church
January 30 & 31, 2021

January 30, 2021 - 5:30pm
January 31, 2021 - 9:00am

Welcome to All Who Worship

Jesus has invited you here today.

Here, Jesus stills quaking hearts. Here, Jesus forgives the unspeakable.

Here, Jesus comforts the lonely. Here, Jesus makes joy complete!

Here you will meet others Jesus has grabbed with His grace.

We invite you to sign a guest card in the pew rack, noting your attendance and place it in the offering plate as the offering is taken or you may sign the attendance book in the Fellowship Hall.

Our Mission

Gaining and nurturing disciples for Christ through the Word and Sacrament, and proclaiming to all people traditional Biblical truths as a congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Holy Communion

To Our Guests: We're glad you're here! Lutherans believe this sacrament is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine. Here he gives himself and all that he promises. Receiving the sacrament is also an expression of full unity in faith with those with whom you are communing. Based on this theological principle, if you are a member of a congregation that shares the confession of faith of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have been instructed concerning the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to commune with us today. We continue to pray for the day when all divisions in the body of Christ will cease. Anyone who wishes may receive a pastoral blessing by kneeling at the altar rail with your arms folded across your chest. If you desire to commune at St. Paul and would like to learn more about the Lutheran Church, please speak with the pastor.

To Those Communing Today: God's Word instructs those who come to the Lord's Table to first examine themselves. You may use the material in this bulletin under "For Meditation During The Distribution" to guide you in self-examination.

Special communion procedures have been developed to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please follow the instructions of the pastor and ushers. Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the pastor or an usher before the service.

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Four

Prelude

Hymn of Invocation

"Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure"

Words are printed for silent meditation. Please refrain from singing for the sake of your neighbor.

- 2 *Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder!
Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear.
See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder!
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,
Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor.
Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God's thunder!*
- 3 *Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,
Brings forth the prisoners triumphant, unharmed.
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!*
- 4 *Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast-fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!*

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Stand

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite

mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7; antiphon: verse 10

P Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

C **Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.**

P Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit!

C **I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you
forgave the iniquity of my sin**

P Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when
you may be found;
Surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

C **You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Kyrie

Lord Have Mercy

C Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

Gloria In Excelsis

Glory to God in the Highest

C **1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

- 2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
 O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
 Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
 Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—
- 3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
 Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
 You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
 In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

¹⁵"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— ¹⁶just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' ¹⁷And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. ¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. ²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die."

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

A Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
 in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

C Great are the works of the LORD,
 studied by all who delight in them.

A Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
 and his righteousness endures forever.

C He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
 the LORD is gracious and merciful.

- A** He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.
- C** **He has shown his people the power of his works, In giving them the inheritance of the nations.**
- A** The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy;
- C** **they are established forever and ever, To be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**
- A** He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!
- C** **They fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!**

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

¹Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God. ⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. ⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? ¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

After the reading

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Verse of the Day

- C** **Alleluia. They were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel Reading

Mark 1:21-28

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the first chapter.
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²¹And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

After the reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostle's Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

"Away from Us! the Demon Cried"

Words are printed for silent meditation. Please refrain from singing for the sake of your neighbor.

- 1 *"Away from us!" the demon cried
When Christ, the Lord, drew near.
"Our dark, disordered world is lost
When You, the Light, appear!"*
- 2 *But Jesus spoke with God's own pow'r;
"Come forth!" was His command;
For evil cannot bear the Light
Nor sin the Truth withstand.*

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Sermon

"Authority"

Mark 1:21-28

Hymn of the Day

"Away from Us! the Demon Cried"

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- 3 *O risen Christ, God's living Word,
To us, we pray, draw near.
Come, speak the truth that cleanses sin
With love that conquers fear.*
- 4 *Drive out the doubt that cripples faith;
Expel our pride and greed
That we, from pow'rs that threaten us,
May, by Your grace, be freed.*

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Prayer of the Church

Offering & Attendance Cards

- An offering plate will be placed near the door as you exit
- To give online, go to stpauldbq.com/give
- You can also mail in or drop off your envelope in the mail slot next to the office entrance of the building

Offering Prayer

P Merciful Father,

C We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, our income, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You...Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

The Words Of Institution

Pax Domini *The Peace of the Lord*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

- C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

For Meditation During The Distribution

Luther's Small Catechism: The Nature of Baptism

What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (*Matt. 28:19*)

Psalm 138:1-8

- 1I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;
- 2I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your
faithfulness,
for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.
- 3On the day I called, you answered me;
my strength of soul you increased.
- 4All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD,
for they have heard the words of your mouth,
- 5and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,
for great is the glory of the LORD.
- 6For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he knows from afar.
- 7Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,
and your right hand delivers me.
- 8The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

Prayer

Gracious Father, thank You for the gift of Baptism, which Your Son has established by His Word and promise. Teach us to treasure all that Jesus has done for us in His cross and resurrection. Give us confidence that through our Baptism we bear Your holy name and so are Your holy children for time and eternity; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Nunc Dimittis

Song of Simeon

- C** 1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
- 2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

- P** We give thanks to You ... one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

- 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.
- G** Amen.

Closing Hymn "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Words are printed for silent meditation. Please refrain from singing for the sake of your neighbor.

- 1 *Praise the One who breaks the darkness
 With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the prisoners,
 Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
 Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands
 With the very Bread of peace.*

- 2 *Praise the One who blessed the children
 With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the One who drove out demons
 With the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
 To the desert's burning sand;
From this Well comes living water,
 Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.*

- 3 *Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
 Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious
 That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
 Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
 Praise the One who makes us one.*

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The Ushers Will Dismiss Each Pew Starting From The Back Of The Sanctuary

Postlude

Preparing Yourself For Worship

In order to help prepare your selves for our worship services, we are listing below the scripture readings for the coming week.

February 6 & 7 - 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31, 1 Corinthians 9:16-27, Mark 1:29-39

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Schedule for the Week

4th Sun aft Epiphany Sat. Jan 30	5:30pm	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
4th Sun aft Epiphany Sun. Jan 31	9:00am	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
	10:30am	Bible Study and Sunday School in-person
Mon. Feb 1		
Tues. Feb 2		"Prayers from the Parsonage" with Pastor & Katy (Facebook)
Wed. Feb 3	2pm - 3:30pm	Confirmation via Zoom
Thur. Feb 4		
Fri. Feb 5		
5th Sun aft Epiphany Sat Feb 6	5:30 pm	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
5th Sun aft Epiphany Sun. Feb 7	9:00 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
	10:30am	Voters Meeting

Prayers from the Parsonage will take place sometime between 5pm & 7pm depending on the kids feeding schedule that day. Thank you for your flexibility.

Prayer Requests

Mindful of the Father's great mercy shown to us in Jesus, we pray on behalf of those who are in need.

For those undergoing cancer treatment:

Roger Riechmann (father of Teri Riechmann & Sheila Zasada)
Rae Ann Wegner (sister of Kim Weed)
Jayme Niemeier (relation to Dave & Sue Krause)
Donna Sue LeTendre (niece of Delores Lindsay)
Christa Wubben (daughter of Jerry & Jan Anderson)
Raymond Kruser (brother-in-law of Dave & Sue Krause)
Tom Engler (brother of Nancy Clark)
Zeke Pergande (son of Dan & Doris Pergande)
Martha (godmother of Will Wehrspann)
Deana Miller (friend of Jerry & Jan Anderson)
Sally Bennett (sister to Delores Lindsay's son-in-law)
Jill Adams (daughter of Becky Clark)
Mike Howes, Dan Pergande, Merlin Bartels

For our members who are homebound:

Laverne Ball (Ennoble Manor), Katheryn Moyer (Care Initiatives), Jean Henningsen (Sunnycrest Manor), Marlene Lenaburg (Luther Manor), Doris Pergande, Nancy Clark, Judy Pergande, Dusty Colby,

For our Healthcare Workers, Teachers and Paraprofessionals:

Laura Ayers, Elizabeth Capacchione, Erica Frey, Brianna Fry, Sue Hagemann (daughter of John & Marlene Weber), Angela Kelley, A.J. Osterkamp, Lauren Rusch (granddaughter of Dan & Carol Rusch), Stephanie Schap, Lydia Wehrspann, Sheila Zasada, Deanna (daughter of Bill & Sandi Heller), Becky (daughter-in-law of Bill & Sandi Heller), Jon Barz (University of Dubuque), Laura Bee (UW Platteville), Trudy McLaughlen (Eisenhower), Laura Walker (UW Platteville), Lisa Wehrspann (Table Mound)

Additional Prayer Requests

- Brenda Litka
- Lori Ollendick (daughter of Dick & Charlotte Tigges)
- Dennis Paar
- Randy Streif (friend of Margaret Fox)
- Laura Walker
- The Wollschlager family

**Note: The "additional" section of the prayer list will be cleared at the beginning of each month. If you would like a name to remain on the list into the next month, please contact the church office and we would be happy to continue praying for your intention.*



Flowers on the Altar are for

Dennis & Barb Waugh
Baptismal birthdays for grandchildren Milan & Milbry

January 23 & 24 Statistics

In-Person Attendance:	61
Views* on Facebook:	36
Views on YouTube:	6
DVD's Distributed:	6
Overall Participation:	109

*The number of devices playing our service for one minute or longer. This does not account for groups who watched together on the same screen.

Worship Assistants

	Sat., Jan 30 @ 5:30pm	Sun., Jan 31 @ 9:00am
Head Usher:	Dennis Fry	Jon Barz
Accompanist:	Laura Bee	Laura Bee

Anniversaries This Week

None

Baptismal Birthdays

5-Alex Calonder

Birthdays This Week

3-Jill Adams

3-Rod Henry

- **Food Pantry** - For the month of February, we are collecting the following items for the Food Pantry:

Spaghetti O's *Chili* *Crackers*
Liquid Hand Soap *Soup* *Ravioli*

- **Flower Chart** – There are a lot of weeks open to sign up for flowers for this year. Please consider signing up. The cost is \$25. We do ask that you make your check out to St. Paul Lutheran Church and on the memo line mark it "altar flowers". You can put your check in the envelope provided or place it in the offering plate. If you have any questions contact Charlotte Tigges 563-552-2351.
- Thank you for all the prayers, cards and kind words during this trying time. God bless you all. *The Paar Family*