

**THE COLLECT:** Almighty God, by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you turn us from the old life of sin: Grant that we, being reborn to new life in him, may live in righteousness and holiness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE GOSPEL LESSON:** Mark 16:1-8

16 Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary *the mother* of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. <sup>2</sup> Very early in the morning, on the first *day* of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. <sup>3</sup> And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" <sup>4</sup> But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away—for it was very large. <sup>5</sup> And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.

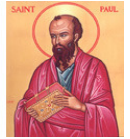
<sup>6</sup> But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell His disciples—and Peter—that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you."

<sup>8</sup> So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.



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**SUNDAY April 8<sup>th</sup> 2012 EASTER SUNDAY**

**Birthday = April 10<sup>th</sup> = Wendy Gordon**

**Keep on praying** every day for those who are sick or recovering from their illness. The prayers of this Church family are powerful. God hears and answers our petitions on behalf of each other. Let's agree together for the continued healing of Pat Bird, Elton Blair, Judy Gerard, Carol Acklin, Jean Dillon, Ted Hover and Kevin Helms. Thank God for their healing, let's envision all of them healthy, whole and strong.

**Please join us** on Wednesday night for the Revelation series with teaching #5. Come prepared to learn what you never knew about the Book of Revelation.

**The Henderson Heritage parade is April 21<sup>st</sup>.** We are using Jerry Anderson's tractor and wagon for our "float." We have the invitations ready, the music getting ready, the hand-out bead necklaces coming soon, and the decorating of the float with the banner and all the other decorations. We need people who will volunteer to hand out the bead necklaces/invitations, while accompanying the float for the duration of the parade route. This will require lots of walking. Please see Fr. Jerry after the service if you and or your children/grandchildren would be candidates for this fun time of opportunities and evangelism for St. Paul's.

**Easter Egg hunt**, for the children - right after the service.

### **FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43** (NIV)

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism <sup>35</sup> but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. <sup>36</sup> You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him. <sup>39</sup> "We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. <sup>41</sup> He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

### **THE PSALM 118:14-17 & 22-24** (NIV)

The LORD is my strength and my defense;

**\*he has become my salvation.**

Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the  
righteous:

**\*"The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!**

The LORD's right hand is lifted high;

**\*the LORD's right hand has done mighty things!"**

I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

**\*The stone the builders rejected has become the  
cornerstone;**

the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

**\* The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today  
and be glad.**

### **SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4** (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. <sup>3</sup> For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.



HE MAKES ALL THINGS NEW!