

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



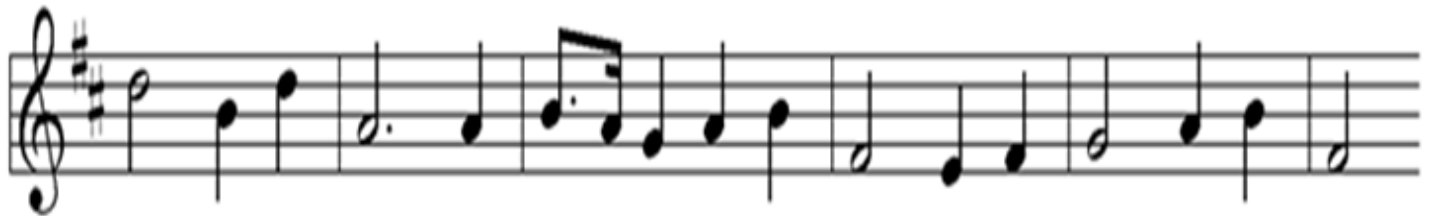
Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ³⁶ “Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” ³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the

other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?”
³⁸ Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” ⁴⁰ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” ⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-4, 12-19

(Refrain: I will call on the name of the LORD.)

¹ I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

C ² for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.

³ The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow.

C ⁴ Then I called upon the name of the LORD: “O LORD, I pray you, save my life.” (Refrain)

¹² How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

C ¹³ I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God’s people.

C ¹⁵ Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.

¹⁶ O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

C ¹⁷ I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD. (Refrain)

¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

C ¹⁹ in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah! (*Refrain*)

(Refrain: I will call on the name of the LORD.)

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23

¹⁷ If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹ Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God. ²² Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³ You have been born

anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



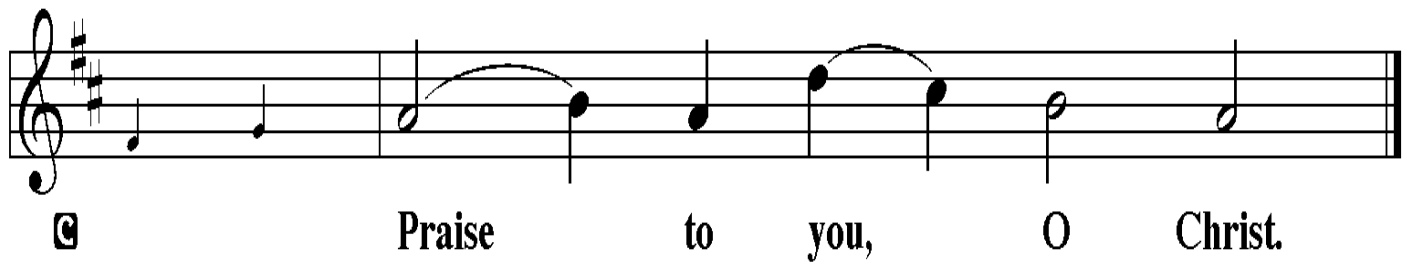
Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” ¹⁹ He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” ²⁵ Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the

Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY

WOV 674 "Alleluia, Jesus Is Risen"

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

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

Living Savior, just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting, and send favorable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is

corruption, bring integrity; where there is violence,
sow peace. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. Heal those who are sick. *(We pray especially for Alexis, Brenda, Donna, Ely, Katrina, Leroy, Wilma Buchta, Amy DeKemper, Elizabeth Hansen, Alice June Harker, Lana Hoffman, Mary Ann Jerger, Carol Keller, Zach Leinenbach, Barb Mehringer, Logan Musgrave, Bob Nugent, Susan Potts, Christine Probst, Doris Salmon, Annette Schepers, JoAnn Schnarr, Jim Seitz, Kaine Seitz, Patricia Sendelweck, Bob Shelton, family and friends of Juanita Hembree, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Eternal Light, we give thanks for all who have nurtured your church's life in ages past. Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

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 Himself, Joshua Hoffman, and Cooper Uebelhor.)* Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

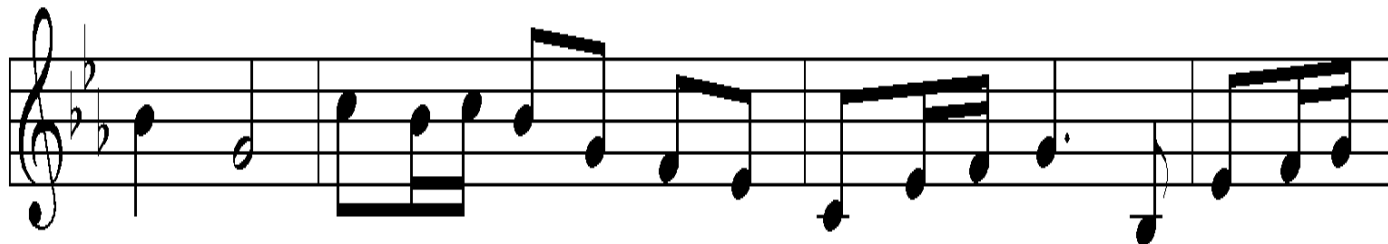
OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

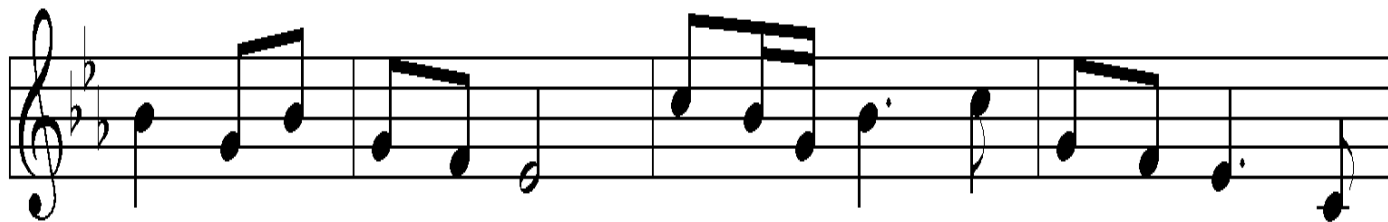
OFFERTORY RESPONSE



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION

All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

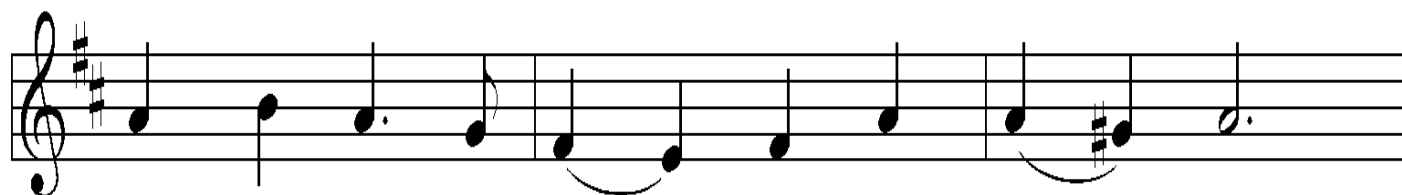
PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and ever-living God, but chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim, and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

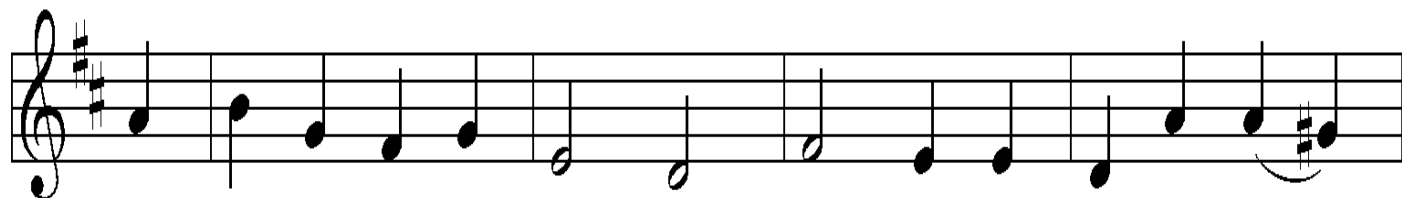
SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

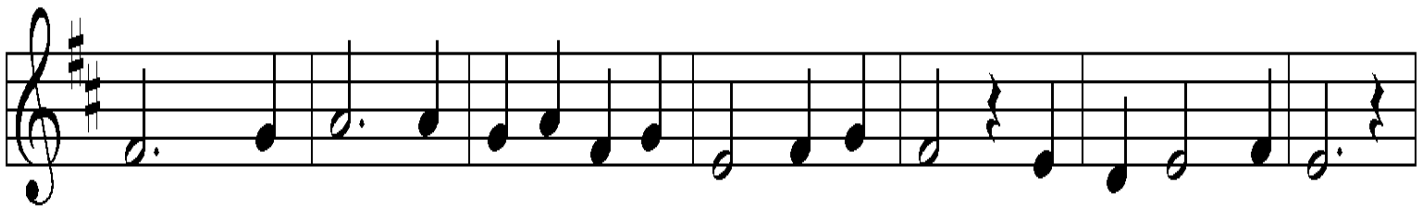
C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

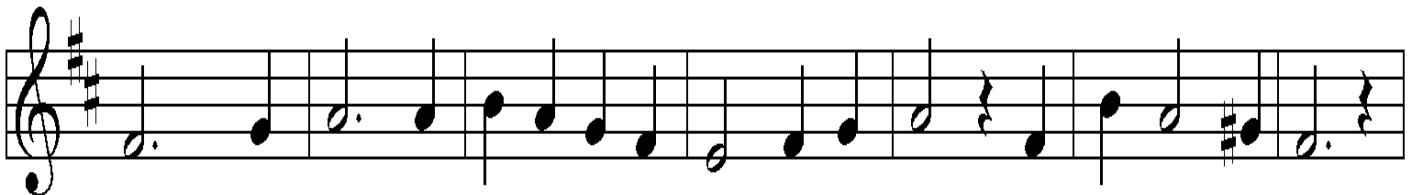
The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD



C Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW 214 "Come, Let Us Eat"

LBW 207 "We Who Once Were Dead"

WOV 766 "We Come to the Hungry Feast"

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

C Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.

Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

Gracious God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

BLESSING

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the
2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with
3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in
4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing
con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will
this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our
you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther



eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!
ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.
strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.
e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: David & Kamille Helming and family
Comm. Asst: Tina Terwiske
Video: Lori Keller
Pianist: Kaia Holt
Lay Reader: Doug Wiseman
Audio: Keith Keller
Acolytes: Trace Weisheit
Altar Guild: Brandi Dodd and Erin Kalb

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 155 SS: 12

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Apr. 19th – Apr. 26th

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| Sun. April 19 th | 7:30 AM | Church Council Meeting |
| | 8:00 AM | Chancel Choir |
| | 9:00 AM | Sunday Worship Service <i>(Sunday School following communion until 10:30 AM)</i> |
| Wed. April 22 nd | 6:30 PM | Handbells |
| Thurs. April 23 rd | 1:00 PM | Blanket Tacking |
| | 1:30 PM | Worship & Music Meeting |
| Sun. April 26 th | 8:00 AM | Chancel Choir |
| | 9:00 AM | Sunday Worship Service <i>(Sunday School following communion until 10:30 AM)</i> |

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations on the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Eisenhut, Case & Alexis, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on April 18, 2026. The parents of the bride and groom are Mike & Sheila Stafford and Gene & Kathy Eisenhut.

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The May WELCA meeting will be an offsite outing at the Azaela Path in Pike and Gibson counties on Sunday, May 3rd at 10:30 AM. Lunch following the tour. June's meeting will be on Tuesday, June 2nd at 6:30 PM. The program will be by Kena Robling from the Trotter House. There will be no blanket tacking in May. ~*Kathy Jarboe*

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The VFW/Legion will be visiting area cemeteries to honor past veterans on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th. They will be stopping at St. Paul's cemetery around 10:40 AM. Please arrive early to ensure you don't miss their stop. ~*Marvin Eisenhut*

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BRIGHT FUTURES



SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship applications for seniors are located at the visitors Center.

Due on May 10th.



St. Paul's will be doing the **SENIOR SPOTLIGHT** section again this year in the June newsletter. If you have a high school or college senior graduating in 2026, please submit a small article with a picture by May 10th. Pictures and articles can be submitted by hard copy or email. Please bring them to the church office or email them to:

secretaryst.paul@frontier.com

*WOMEN OF THE ELCA
EVANSVILLE CLUSTER
SPRING GATHERING*

*ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
DUBOIS CROSSROADS
DUBOIS, INDIANA*

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026

THEME: I AM WORTHY

*PHYSICAL OFFERING: ITEMS FOR
COMMUNITY FOOD BANK*

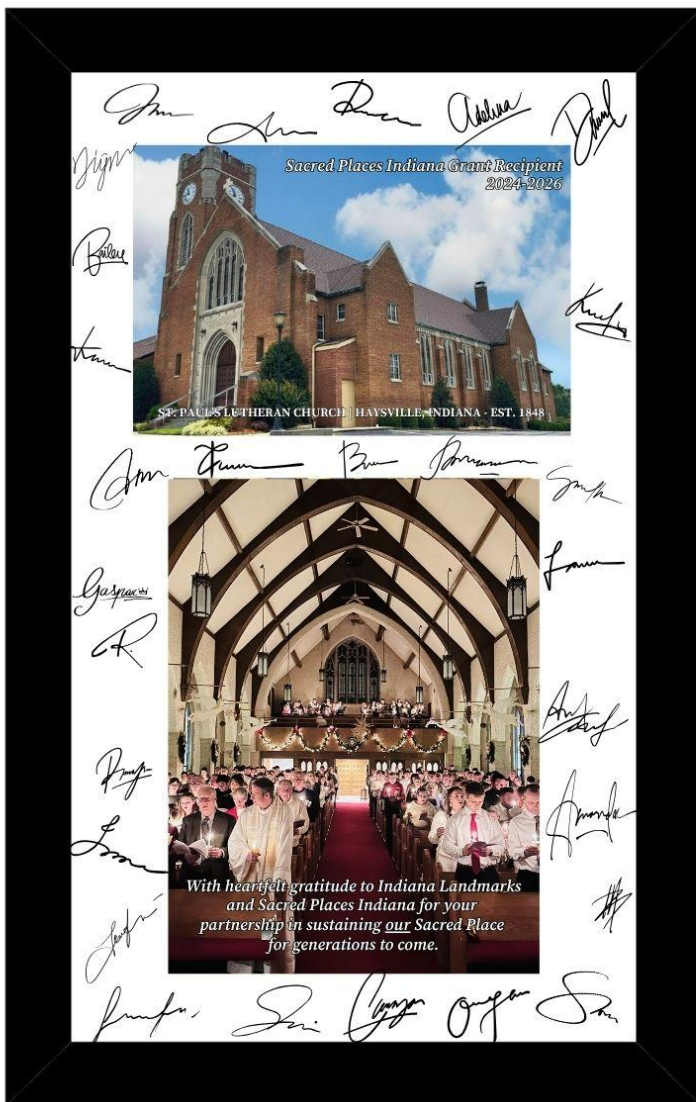
REGISTRATION \$8.00

PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 20, 2026 TO

DIANN ZEHNER PH# 812-481-0081

EMAIL: dkz91348@aol.com

ST. PAUL'S MEMBERS (OF ALL AGES!):
THE SACRED PLACES GRANT IS
NEARING COMPLETION - THANK YOU
FOR HELPING US REACH OUR GOAL!
PLEASE SIGN THE PHOTO MAT
LOCATED IN THE LOBBY THAT WILL
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INDIANA IN GRATITUDE FOR
SUPPORTING ST. PAUL'S.

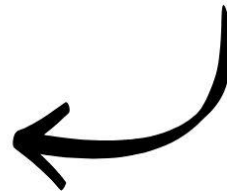


PLEASE only use the
black "Mr. Pen"
pen to sign.
Thank you!

All members are
invited to sign their
name!

This gift will soon be
presented to the
Sacred Places Indiana
team during their final
walk-through.

Example of how we
hope the gift will look -
only a lot more
signatures!



THANK
YOU!

23rd Annual
Chalk
WALK

May 16th at Thyen-Clark Cultural
Center from 8:00 AM—2:00 PM
<https://www.jasperarts.org/chalkwalk>



In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser

AMC Luke Himself

Joshua Hoffman

Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland

Virginia Beach, VA

San Diego, CA

Colorado Springs, CO

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April 8, 2026


St. Paul's Lutheran Women of the ELCA
556 W Haysville Rd.
Jasper, IN 47546

Dear St. Paul's Lutheran Women of the ELCA,

On behalf of the board of Directors and Staff of Crisis Connection, Inc., I would like to express my sincerest thanks for the donation of baby quilts. Crisis Connection works to address the needs of those impacted by domestic and sexual violence and create communities with zero tolerance for these crimes. Donations like yours fill funding gaps and enable us to provide essential and quality services across our service delivery area.

We are grateful that you chose to support Crisis Connection, Inc., and our efforts to address local needs with domestic and sexual violence. Thank you for making a difference in your community!

Sincerely,



Paula Rasche
Executive Director
Crisis Connection

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

April + May 2026

4/5

Easter Egg Hunt: No Class

4/12

PreK-1st: Jesus the Good Shepherd

2nd -6th: John the Baptist

4/19

PreK-1st: Go and Tell

2nd -6th: Jesus Heals the Sick

4/26

PreK-1st: Go and Tell

2nd -6th: Zacchaeus

5/3

Backpack Buddies + End of Year Party



Vacation Bible School 2026

Emerald Crossing: An Irish Adventure through Psalm 23



St. Paul's, Christ, Redeemer and St. John's Lutheran Churches invite all children of the area to attend Vacation Bible School.

When: June 22-26, 2026 5:30-8:15

Where: St. Paul's Church- Haysville

Who: all are welcome, especially children age 3 through the completion of 6th grade

An evening meal will be served each night

Please be on the lookout for sign-ups (student and volunteer) in upcoming weeks. Reach out to Linda Schmitt at 812-661-0299 for questions and volunteer opportunities.