

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,✙ one God whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C Amen.

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

Merciful God,

C we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. We confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of ✝ Jesus Christ.

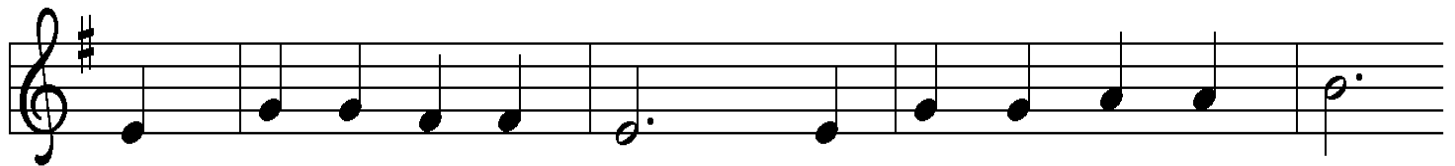
C Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.

2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.

3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE *(vs. 1 & 4)*



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,



all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



- 1 Each lit - tle flow'r that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
- 2 The pur - ple-head - ed moun - tains, the riv - er run - ning by,
- 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,
- 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell



God made their glow - ing col - ors, God made their ti - ny wings.
the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky.
the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - 'ry one.
how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear,

and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:9-18

⁹At [Horeb, the mount of God,][Elijah] came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁰He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”

¹¹He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; ¹²and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁴He

answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." ¹⁵Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 85:8-13

(Refrain: I will listen to what the LORD God is saying.)

⁸I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

C ⁹Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may dwell in our land. *(Refrain)*

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

C ¹¹Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

¹²The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

C ¹³Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway. *(Refrain)*

(Refrain: I will listen to what the LORD God is saying.)

SECOND READING: Romans 10:5-15

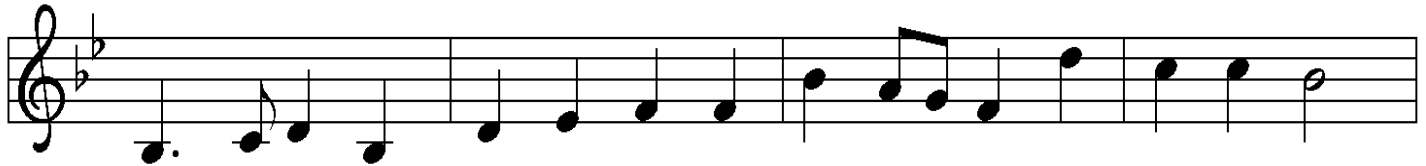
⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷“or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your

heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);
⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” ¹⁴But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

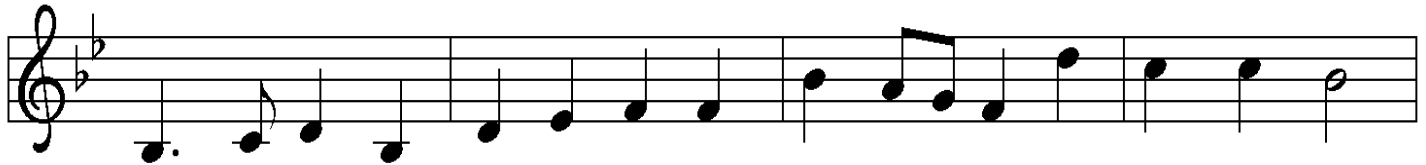
The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

C Glory to you, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds.²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came

walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” ²⁸Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY *LBW 467* *“Eternal Father,
Strong to Save “*

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

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

God of grace and faith, your faithfulness is never-ending, and your righteousness becomes ours through Christ Jesus. Send the church to proclaim the gospel both near and far, in church buildings and on street corners, in person and through digital means. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God of sky and sea, the plants, animals, mountains, and plains proclaim your glory. Prosper the work of ecologists as they teach us new ways to care for the environment. Bring relief to areas recovering from natural disasters. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God of peace and justice, you call us to live as your beloved community throughout the world. Instill in local, regional, national, and global political and civic leaders a desire to work for the well-being of all people. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God of care and compassion, you bring assurance when we are afraid. Bring calm to any who are anxious or fearful. Bless the work of therapists,

nurses, and other health care providers. Comfort all who grieve and soothe any who are sick. *(We pray especially for Bryan Buchta, Keith Freyberger, Juanita Hembree, Eugene Keller, Zach Leinenbach, Dennis Neukam, Steve Rothgerber, Dolores Russell, Annette Schepers, Roxanne Schepers, Donnie Schwenk, Becky Seibert, the family and friends of Radus Hembree and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

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 Himsel and Cooper Uebelhor.)* Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God of wonder, you accompany us in both joys and sorrows. We pray for children and teachers preparing for a new school year. Make your presence known in our work and play, in lively conversation and in quiet rest. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our 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 *(Verse 1 only)*

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were

gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from

all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
 2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

may we share the pres-ence of your love.
 all cre-a-tion shares this feast with you.

Refrain

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

C God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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.

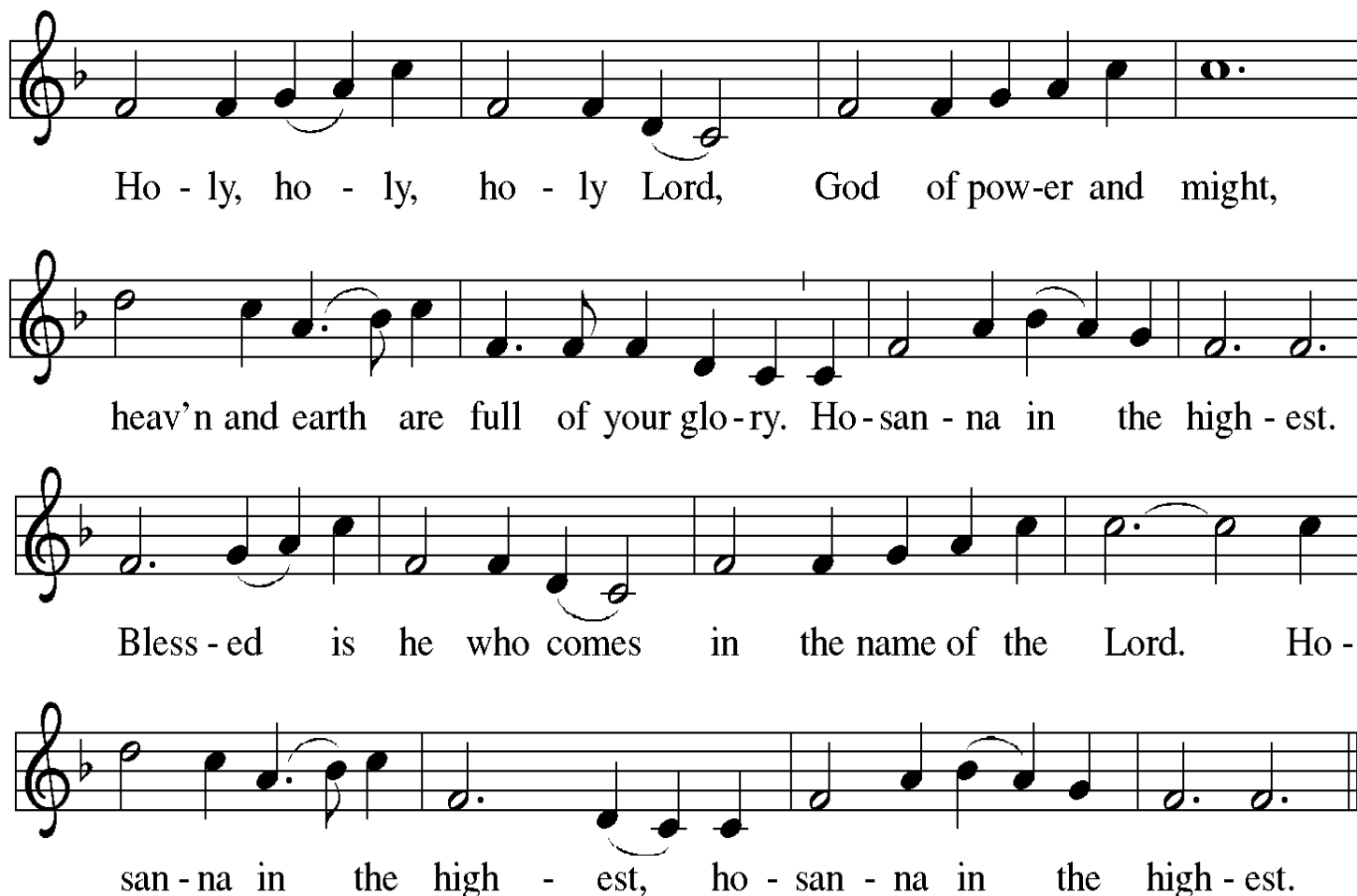
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, 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



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW 346 "When Peace, like a River"

WOV 781 "My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

WOV 731 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

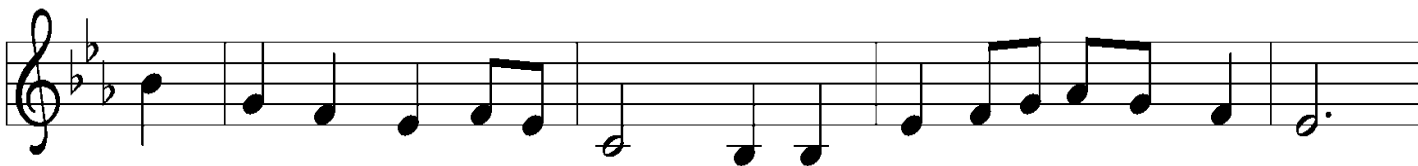
The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *(Verse 1 Only)*



1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
till rap-tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin-ing shore,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
where Christ, the bless-ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

May God ✝ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN *LBW 320*

*“O God, Our Help
In Ages Past”*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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

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175th Anniversary Heritage Sunday Spotlights

Charlene Mathilda Rasche

St. Paul's means so much to my family. Our church is "family". I was baptized and married there, I got to help with the mother/daughter banquet, serve communion, be a greeter with my mom (*one of our favorite things to do*), became a Godmother, and attended funerals to say said goodbye to family and friends.

I love the Christmas Eve service the most. Silent night is my favorite Christmas song (*I always cry*). The song means so much to me. I love when you walk into our church, it doesn't matter if you go every Sunday or once a year, you are ALWAYS greeted with smiles, hugs and hellos.

I love how our church reaches out in different ways. We use to do a plant sale once a year. Our church family would bring the flowers and garden plants to raise money. People would bring old fashioned and unique flowers, like what their grandparents or parents had. You could get tips on how to grow plants or get rid of certain garden pests and bugs. I still have a few plants from those sales.

Our church is a heartbeat that no matter what it endures it keeps going. To quote a line from one of my favorite movies: "*Love is not a big enough word, but it will have to do*".

I love my church! God Bless our church!

Love,
Charlene Mathilda Rasche

Marie Seitz Truelove

My name is Marie Seitz Truelove. My parents were Ralph and Elsie (Braun) Seitz. Ralph went to St. Paul's for 81 years.

One Sunday I went to church with mom and dad. I remember when we sat down after singing a song all I could hear was a "clunk", "clunk", "clunk" sound. After church I asked dad about the strange sound to which he replied, what clunking sound? About 6-8 months later I went back to church with them again. He asked me after if I heard the "clunk" sound and I said no. Mom and dad had purchased or were given carpet and they measured each song book holder, cut the carpet and installed a piece in each holder. No more clunking sound!

Memories are beautiful the older we get.

God's Blessings,
Marie Truelove

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: Amy Beckman
Comm. Asst: Bryan Fehribach
Video: Lori Keller
Organist: Arlene Vonderheide
Lay Reader: Kathy Jarboe
Audio: Keith Keller
Acolytes: Adalie Kalb & Dax Smith

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 117 SS:

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Aug. 13th – Aug. 20th, 2023

Sun. Aug. 13 th	8:15 AM	Evangelism Meeting
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service (<i>Heritage Sunday</i>)
Mon. Aug. 14 th	6:00 PM	175 th Anniv. Meeting
Tues. Aug. 15 th	6:30 PM	Property Meeting
Sat. Aug. 19 th	7:00 PM	Trivia Night (<i>doors open @ 6:30 PM</i>)
Sun. Aug. 20 th	7:30 AM	Council Meeting
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUDGET TIME

It is once again budget time for church committees. Your 2024 committee budgets need to be turned into the church office no later than September 1st. If you have questions concerning the budgets, please contact Todd Popp.

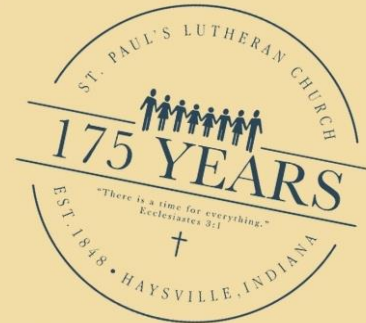
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EMANUEL LUTHERAN HILL CHURCH

Emanuel Lutheran Hill Church of rural Dubois, Indiana, will hold the annual homecoming on Sunday, September 17th at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Tim Kraemer of Christ Lutheran will conduct the service. Holy Communion will be celebrated during the service. After the service, there will be a carry-in meal in the old schoolhouse. The public is invited to come and join the activities at the old Hill Church.

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"There is a time for everything." And it's officially time for a ...



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



AUG 19, 2023



DOORS OPEN - 6:30 PM | TRIVIA BEGINS - 7:00 PM

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is celebrating 175 years as a congregation!
The Church's Evangelism Committee invites you to join them for a night
of trivia to help celebrate this great milestone.

Teams of 6 - \$30 per team | Pre-Registration is Required
Space is limited - registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis.
Raffle prizes throughout the night | Snacks & Drinks available
Cash donations will be made to the charity of choice for top 3 teams!

**RSVP with team name (please keep church appropriate), team captain name
and contact information, and team's charity of choice to
StPaulsEvangelism@gmail.com or 812-827-0552**

Pay night of event or mail check made payable to: St. Paul's Lutheran Church to
556 West Haysville Rd, Jasper, IN 47546

**St. Paul's Members: You will have the first chance to
reserve your team's place after church on July 2nd!
Reservations will be open to the public starting July 3rd.**

SCHOOL KITS

St. Paul's will begin collecting for school kits, for the Lutheran World Relief, through the entire month of August. Look for the display in welcome area. Take advantage of the back-to-school sales and shop now! These supplies mean the difference between getting an education or not.

Items to include in each School Kit:



×4 Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper



×1 One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other



×1 One pencil sharpener



×1 One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)



×5 Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band



×5 Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band



×1 One box of 16 or 24 crayons



×1 One 2½" eraser

Guidelines:

- Please give new items only, except where otherwise noted
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your congregation's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.



Bulletin Announcement

Contact: Martha Rasche, assistant CARE-ordinator, 812-630-8992

Boomers and Gen Z invited to Celestine Park

A game get-together for Baby Boomers and middle- and high-schoolers is set for Sunday, Sept. 10, at Celestine Park. The free activity, sponsored by Dubois County CARES, will take place from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Attendees are invited to bring playing cards or board games to share. Free snacks and refreshments will be served.

The Dubois County Coalition for Adolescent Resilience and Empowerment Strategies encourages youth to be alcohol- and drug-free through a variety of services, resources and activities. It is hoped that through activities such as the Get-to-Gamer, adolescents will realize how broad their community of support is. As a protective factor, that would help offset risk factors for substance and alcohol use.

Reservations are encouraged. To RSVP, call 812-827-8464 or email DuboisCountyCARES@gmail.com.

In Service to Our Country

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