SERVICE OF HEALING

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Let us remember that just as there are many members in one body,

C: So we, though many, are one body in Christ.

P: We are called to be Christ's body in the world;

C: We are called to be his hands and feet, blessing and serving others in love.

P: Truly, the spirit of the Lord is upon us.

C: We are privileged to be called and anointed to bring the Good News of Christ's healing love. Heal us too, Lord Jesus!

RESPONSE

P: We need one another when we mourn and will be comforted.

C: We need one another when we are troubled and afraid.

P: We need one another when we are in despair, in temptation, and need to be recalled to be our best selves once again.

C: We need one another to accomplish some great purpose, and cannot do it alone.

P: We need one another in the hour of success, when we look for someone to share our fulfillment and joy.

C: We need one another in the hour of defeat, with encouragement we might endure, and stand again.

P: We need one another when we come to die, and would have gentle hands prepare us for the journey.

C: All our lives we are in need of others, and others in need of us.

P: This is a profound truth, one that if we grasp it and live it but for a moment, our lives would discover meaning for all eternity.

C: For this we shall pray, and for this hope realized we shall praise our God!

Let us pray,

By your great power, our Lord Jesus Christ healed the sick and gave hope to the hopeless. Though we cannot command or possess your power, we pray for those who wish to be healed. Mend their wounds, soothe fevered brows, and make broken people whole again. Help us to welcome every healing as a sign that, though death is against us, you are for us, and have promised renewed and risen life in Jesus Christ the Lord.

C Amen

OPENING HYMN *LBW 398*

"Take Up Your Cross", the Savior Said"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

¹⁵God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

The word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 22:23-31

(Refrain: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD.)

²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

C ²⁴For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

C ²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever! *(Refrain)*

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

C ²⁸For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

C ³⁰Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

C (Refrain)

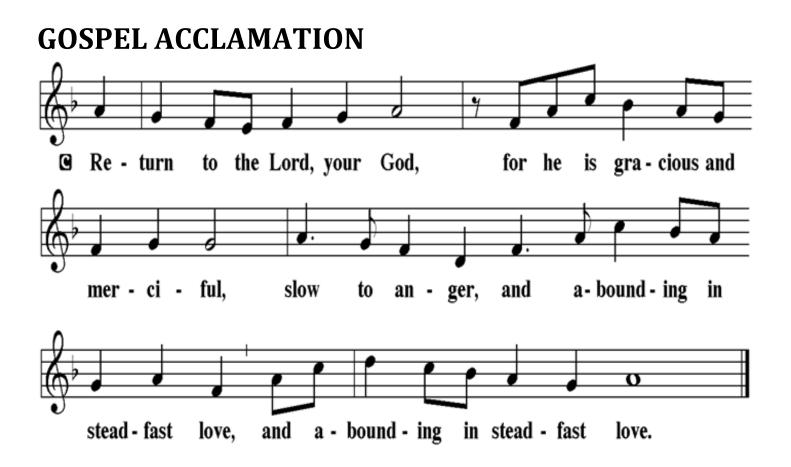
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SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew

strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38



³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be

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ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Timothy Holt

HYMN OF THE DAYWOV 782"All My Hope of GodIs Founded"

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING

The laying on of hand and anointing is an act of caring by God's people, an outward sign of his presence in the gift of healing, wholeness, and reconciliation. In healing, the separation between God and his people is set aside; we are made whole, holy, and are embraced eternally by the loving God who experienced the journey of life. At this time, all wishing to receive the laying on of hands and anointing may come forward and kneel if able. Return to your seat when you are ready.

(When near the altar)

P: I lay my hands upon you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, asking him to uphold you and fill you with grace, that you may know the healing power of his love.

People: Amen

P: O God, the giver of health and salvation: As the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, at his command, anointed many who were sick and healed them, send now your Holy Spirit, anointed with this oil, may your servant, in repentance and faith be made whole, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

(When all have returned to their seats.)

P: Let us pray,

God of Mercy, source of all healing, we give you thanks for your gifts of strength and life, and especially for the gift of your son Jesus Christ, through whom we gain salvation and healing. Help us by your Holy Spirit to feel your power in our lives and to know your eternal love; though Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

SHARING OF THE PEACE

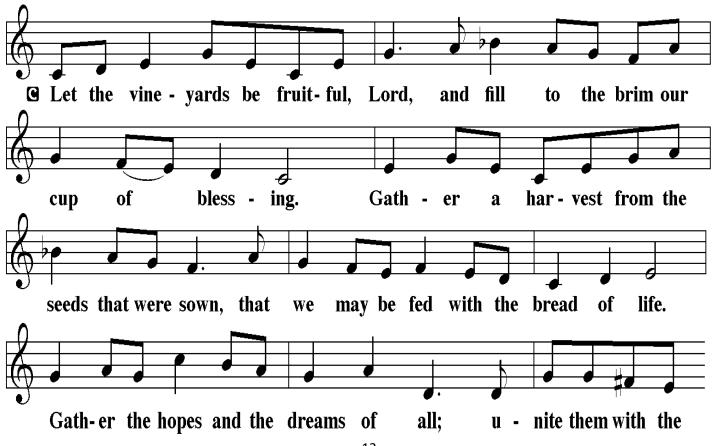
The peace of Christ be with you always.

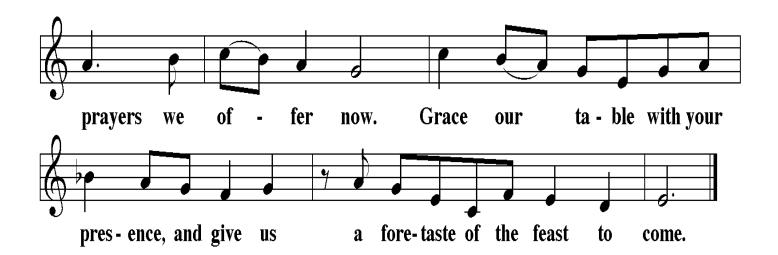
C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE





OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

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.

BLESSING

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and + give you peace. **C** Amen.



DISMISSALGo in peace. Share your bread.**C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

<u>Mission Statement:</u> Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship, Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters:	Ron & Debbie Bauer
Comm. Asst:	Julia Stenftenagel
Video:	Geoff Stallwod
Organist:	Arlene Vonderheide
Lay Reader:	Erin Kellar
Audio:	Bryan Buchta
Acolytes:	Reese Weisheit

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 86 SS:

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Feb. 25th – Mar. 3rd, 2024

Sun. Feb. 25 th	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Chancel Choir Practice Healing Service <i>(no communion)</i> The Chosen – Season 3
Wed. Feb. 28 th	5:30 PM 6:30 PM	Lenten Meal by Evangelism Holden Service
Sun. Mar. 3 rd	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Chancel Choir Practice Sunday Worship Service The Chosen – Season 3

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline for scholarship applications is March 31st. Any high school senior who is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church may apply for the \$500 Scholarship which is sponsored by Glenn & Marie Neukam. Applications are available on the welcome center desk and should be turned into the church office.

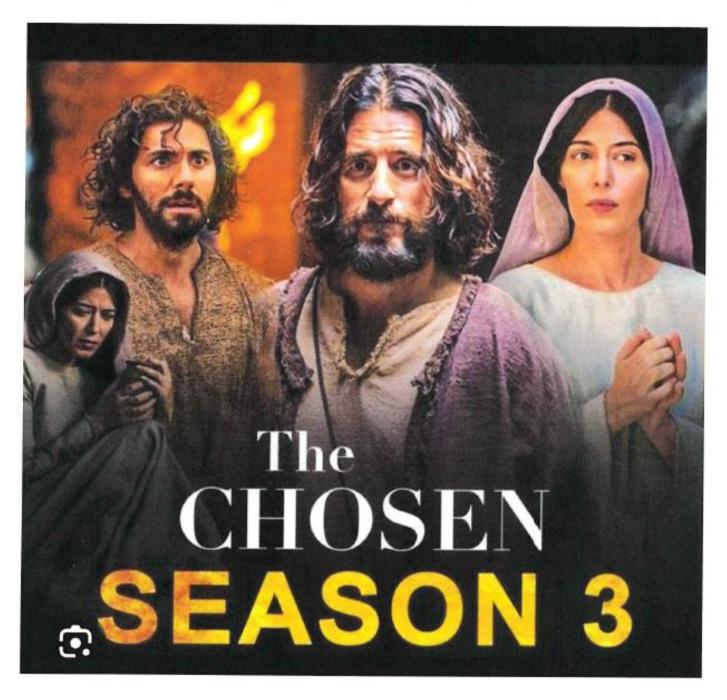
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WELCA will be making ham salad March 11th & 12th with pick-up on the 12th and 13th. There is a volunteer sheet on the welcome center desk for anyone interested in helping.

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We are looking for 3 people to attend the 37th Annual Indiana-Kentucky Synod. In Louisville Friday June 7th thru Sunday June 9th, 2024. If anyone is interested, please speak with a council member.

Coming February 2024



Join us for this 8-week video series discussion group on Sunday evenings beginning February 4, 2024 6:30 PM



Help spread God's love this Lent A SEASONOF Help spread God's love this Lent by donating items for Lutheran World Relief personal care kits. The kits will reach some of the poorest parts of the world. Collection will begin March 3rd through March 31st. There will be a container placed in the welcome center.

HERE'S OUR COLLECTION SCHEDULE:

WEEK 1 Bars of Soap (2-3 bars. 4 to 5 oz., any brand, in original wrapping)



WEEK 4 Combs

WEEK 2

Bath Towels (light-weight. maximum 52" x 27". dark color recommended)



WEEK 5 Nail Clippers (metal, attached file optional)



WEEK 3

Toothbrushes (adult size, in original packaging)

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

February 2024

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Preschool – 3rd: Story & Craft 4th – 6th: Backpack Buddies

2/11

Preschool - 3rd: Story & Craft

2/18

Preschool - 3rd: Story & Craft

2/25

Preschool - 3rd: Story & Craft

Strong From Within: Building Bone Health in Women



Christine Stairs, MD



Jill Seng, PA-C

A Deeper Look: Medical Imaging's Role in Health Screenings



Andi Oeding MHA, RT(R), RDMS(AB, OB/GYN)



Jenna Sermersheim MBA, BSN, RN, PCCN

Listen to Your Heart: Women & Heart Disease



Brian Price, MD

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2024

March 2

Promoting Women's Health

Saturday, March 2, 2024

9:00 - 11:30 a.m. (EST)

Venue 1408

1408 N. Main St. | Huntingburg

Admission Fee

Tax-deductible monetary donations will be accepted to benefit Heart and Women's Health Services at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center. Donors help keep MHHCC on the cutting-edge of technology, and help community members during their time of need. Cash, credit card or check will be accepted. Checks can be made payable to the Memorial Hospital Foundation.

RSVP

Register online at mhhcc.org and click on "Classes & Events" or call the Marketing Dept. at 812-996-2352.

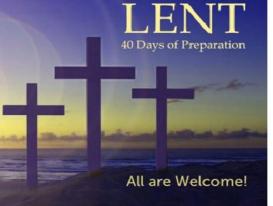
Registration is required by February 26, 2024. All women who attend will receive a gift certificate for a free blood screening including total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, triglyceride, and glucose levels at Memorial Hospital outpatient labs.

Bring your mom, sisters, and friends for a special morning devoted to women's health!

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Ash Wednesday Service @ 6:30 PM February 14th (Lenten Meal at 5:30 PM)

Mid-week Holden Services *@* **6:30 PM** February 21st, 28th & Mar. 6th, 13th and 20th *(Lenten Meal at 5:30 PM)*



February 14th — Women of the ELCA Chicken noodle soup, chicken salad sandwiches, hot dogs and dessert.

February 21st — LYO Spaghetti & Fettucine Alfredo, garlic bread, salad and desserts

February 28th — Evangelism Pulled pork, macaroni salad, baked beans, chips and dessert.

March 6th – Worship & Music Chili, cornbread, sandwiches and dessert

March 13th – Christian Ed. Taco bar and dessert.

March 20th — Council Hamburgers, hotdogs, potato salad, beans and dessert.



Breakfast with the Easter Bunny



SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM DUBOIS COMMUNITY PARK CENTER



February 12, 2024

St. Paul's Lutheran Church 556 W. Haysville Rd Jasper, IN 47546

Dear St. Paul's Lutheran Church,

Thank You! Because of you, Dove Recovery House for Women is helping women overcome the disease of Substance Use Disorder and a history of trauma. Thank you for your generous donation of mattress pads, sheets, Swiffer plus, detergent, pillows, etc. on 2/12/2024. Your gift and dedication to Dove House and the women accessing substance use services are making a difference.

In 2022, with your partnership, Dove House:

- Served 117 women with access to substance use disorder treatment programming and resources, including 32,690 nights of safe, sober housing;
- · Opened our second location in Dubois County, Indiana serving 7 women;
- 62 women discharged and reunited 33 women with family;
- · Conducted 3,567 case management and therapy sessions; and
- Provided 303,058 minutes of services to women on the waitlist, living onsite and to those
 participating in after care.

As one Dove said "Dove House gave me the opportunity to restart my life. They have stood by me."

On behalf of the women you help, thank you for your continued dedication and support. To learn more or get involved, please contact me at wnoe@doverecoveryhouse.org or (317) 972-4584.

Sincerely,

Wendy Noe

Chief Executive Officer

Dove Recovery House for Women is a 501c3 organization (EIN 35-2120680). Gifts are tax deductible as allowed to the extent of the law. Consult an attorney for questions regarding reporting. For IRS purposes, this letter serves as your receipt. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution.

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