St. Paul's Lutheran Church 3 Epiphany January 22, 2023

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Holy One, source of our renewal,

C we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

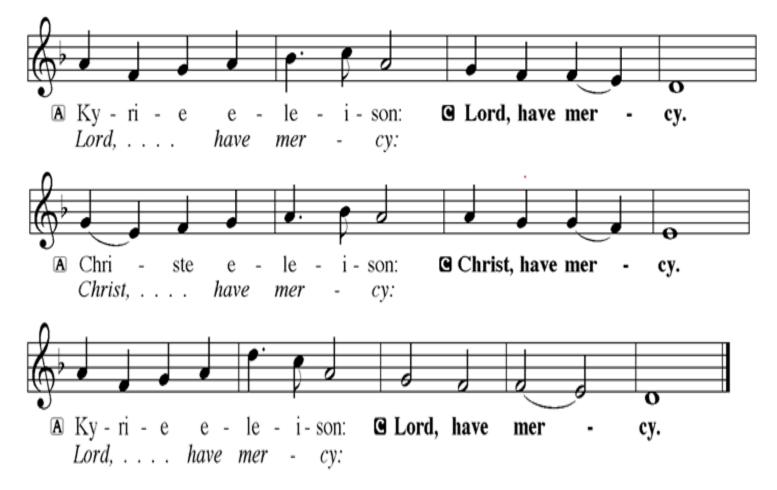
Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior.

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.

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HYMN OF PRAISE (four measures introduction)



☑ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



I Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Q Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

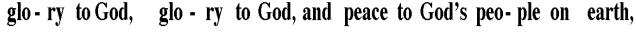


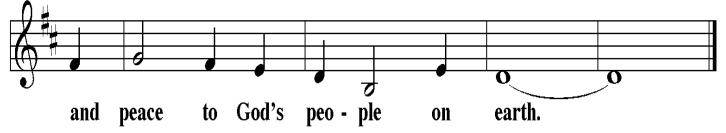
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.











PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:1-4

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 27:1, 4-9

(Refrain: The LORD is my light and my salvation.)

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

C 4One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

C ⁶Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD. (*Refrain*)

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.

C 8My heart speaks your message—"Seek my face." Your face, O LORD, I will seek.

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

C (Refrain)

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SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

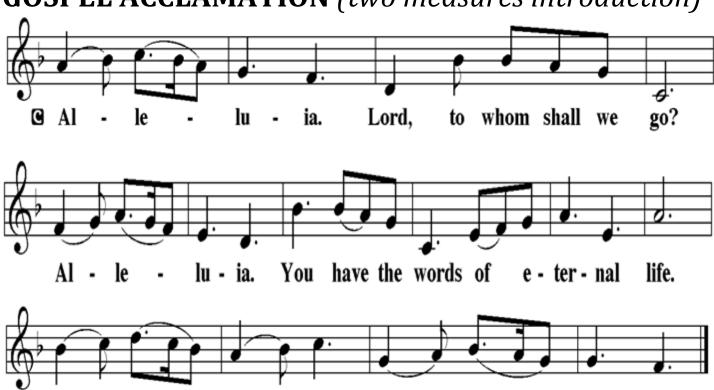
¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. 12 What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." 13 Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 14I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. 16(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to

baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (two measures introduction)



GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12-23

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¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 15"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." 17 From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." 18As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. 19And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the

good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Timothy Holt

HYMN OF THE DAY WOV 650 "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Make your church one in purpose, proclaiming the message of the cross. Help us to work together across differences. Energize ecumenical partnerships, including the World Council of Churches and Lutheran World Federation. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

We rejoice at the bounty of your creation. Fill the land and sea with your abundance. Bless harvests in the southern hemisphere and fallow fields in the northern hemisphere. Equip farmers to till and keep the earth sustainably. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

In Christ your reign comes near and calls all to repentance. Break the rod of the oppressor in every nation. Dispel the shadow of death in places of war and persecution. Grant us leaders who lift the yokes that burden those in need. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Be a stronghold for those in trouble and a rock for all who are afraid. Rouse communities to care for neighbors who need shelter, are facing maltreatment, or are isolated and lonely. (We pray especially for Keith Freyberger, Eugene Keller, Stacey Himsel-Matelic, Jack McNutt, Dennis Neukam, Sue Neukam, Kayden Parker, Steve Rothgerber, Annette Schepers, Gerald Vonderheide and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.) 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 Himsel, Joshua Hoffman, Nathan Humbert and Cooper Uebelhor). Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Sustain the ministries of this congregation and all churches in this community. Nurture each congregation's unique witness to your presence; foster mutual respect; inspire our cooperation in loving our neighbors. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

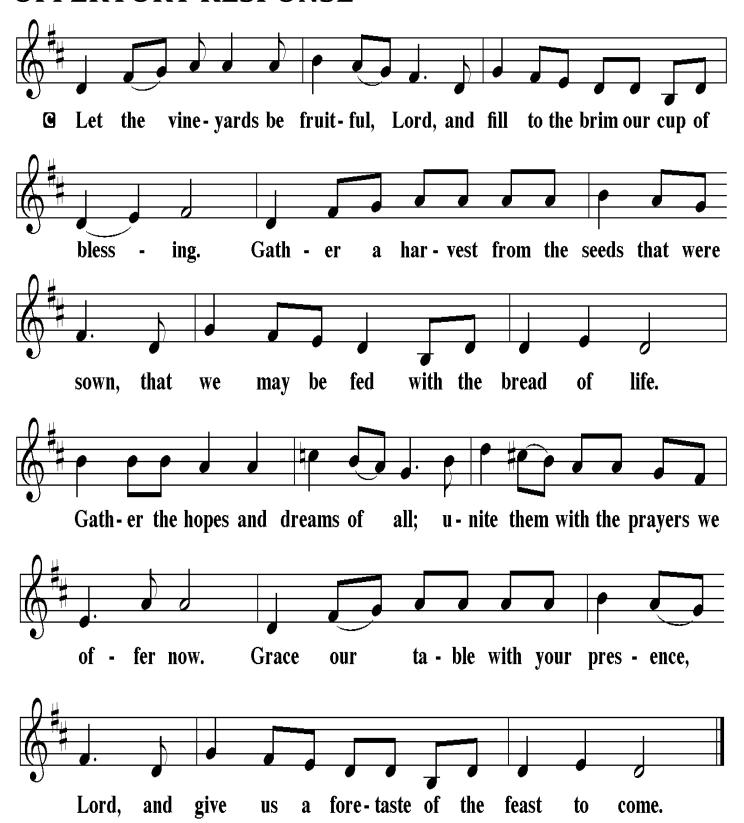
The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY "For Your Love" Chancel Choir

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, 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 nearby 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.

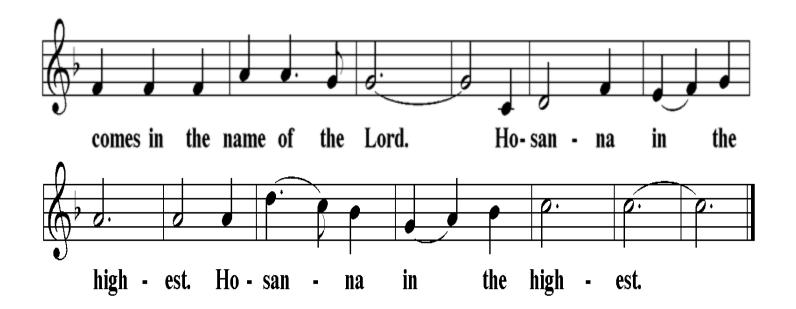
C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (four measures introduction)





EUCHARISTIC 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

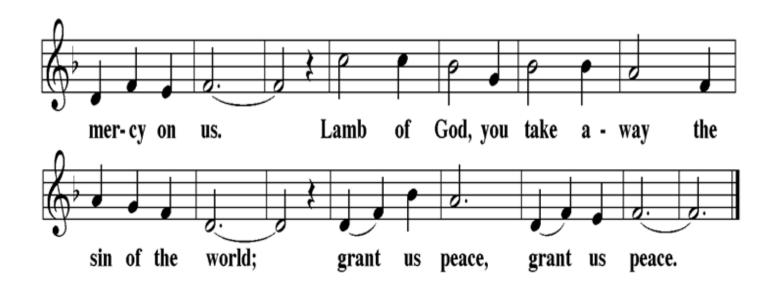
The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD





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COMMUNION HYMNS

WOV 752 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

LBW 434 "The Son of God, Our Christ"

LBW 493 "Hope of the World"

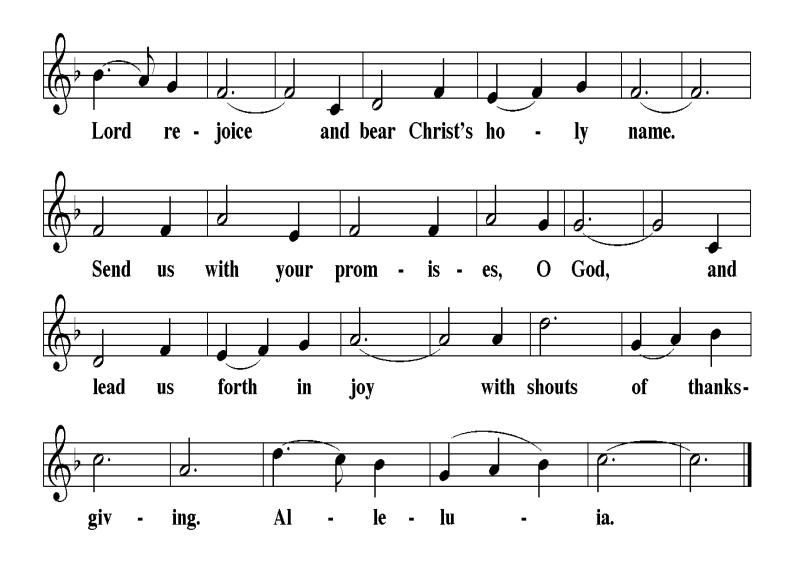
The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (four measures introduction)







PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

C Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. Amen.

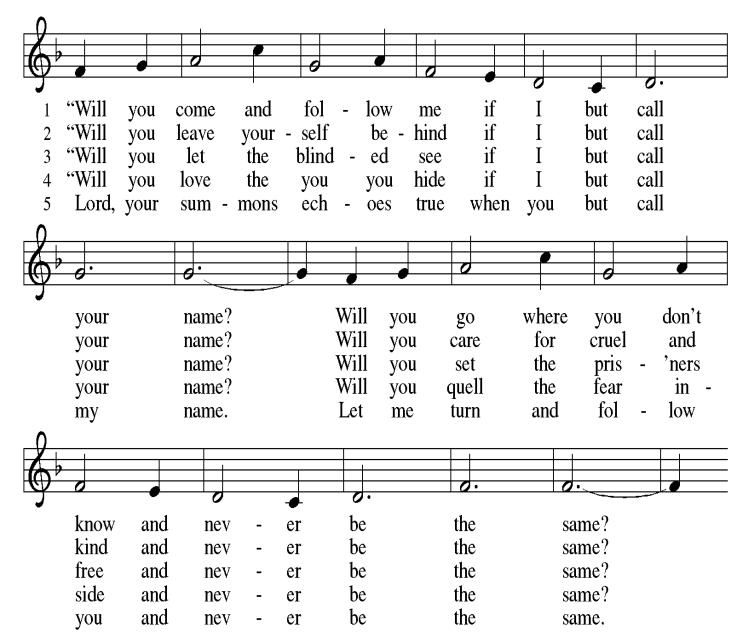
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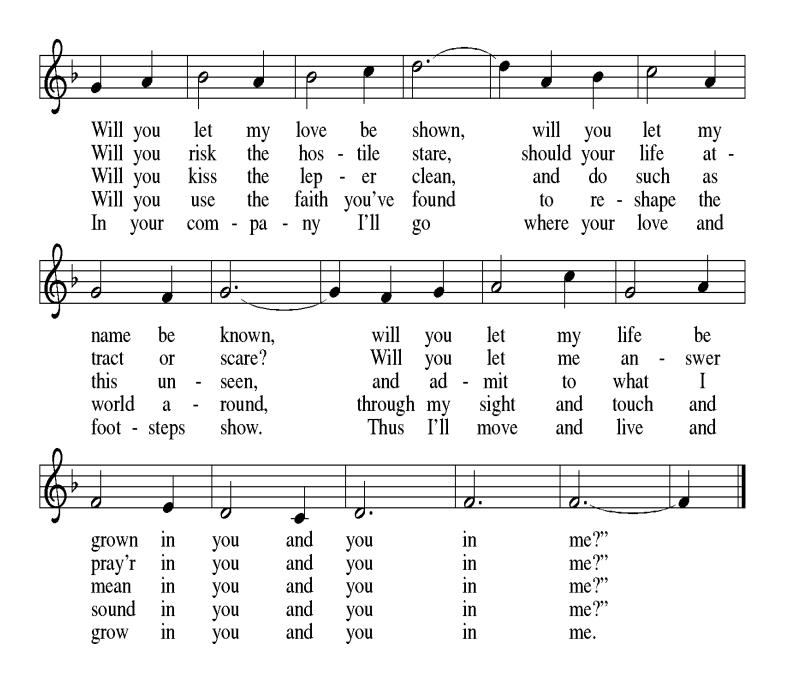
The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod + bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW 798 "Will You Come and Follow Me"





DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

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: Bryan Buchta & Connie Shipman

Comm. Asst: Todd Popp Video: Lori Keller

Organist: Barbara Dell

Lay Reader: Marie Neukam

Audio: Keith Keller

Acolytes: Adalie Kalb & Gabe Neukam

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 152 SS:

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Jan. 22nd – Jan. 29th, 2023

| 8:00 AM | Chancel Choir Practice |
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| 9:00 AM | Sunday Worship Service |
| | (Sunday School following |
| | communion until 10:30 AM) |
| 10:00 AM | Congregational Meeting Part 2 |
| 6:30 PM | Confirmation |
| 6:30 PM | Handbell Practice |
| 1:00 PM | Blanket Tacking |
| 8:00 AM | Chancel Choir Practice |
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ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

It is time for our annual check book audit. Please supply your checkbook and your 2022 monthly bank statements no later than January 31st.

Please be sure to pick-up your 2023 offering envelopes and 2022 end of year giving statements.

There is a table set-up in the welcome area with the envelopes and the wooden box with statements. If you cannot find a box or statement with your name, please advise Jenny Begle in the church office at (812)695-3061 or email at:

secretaryst.paul@frontier.com

WELCA would like to thank you everyone that participated in the Reverse Advent Calendar food bank collection. We made four trips to deliver all the food bank items. Also, on "Souper Bowl Sunday" February 12th help WELCA fill the grocery cart with canned soup for the food bank. There will also be a Soup Pot set out for any monetary donations.



When: February 8, 2023 from 1pm to 6pm EST

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

Hosted by: Brandie Beck, RN Call 812-631-3708 with questions

Heart Healthy Hoosiers No appointment necessary

The Indiana University School of Public Health operates the Southern Indiana Heart Healthy Hoosiers Program to promote heart health. This program provides:

- Free preventative cardiovascular health screenings
- Rapid glucose test with resource referral coaching and mentoring
- Rapid lipid panel testing with resource referral, coaching, and education
- Healthy lifestyle coaching
- Tobacco cessation resources
- Carbon dioxide level test and nicotine test

Please contact Gina Townsend BSN, RN Faith Community Nurse Coordinator gina.townsend@ascension.org

or complete the initial survey at https://redcap.isdh.in.gov/surveys/ Code: 3XHRHA477





*This program is offered in partnership with the IU School of Public Health and the IU Center for Rural Engagement as part of the Indiana Healthy Opportunities for People Everywhere (I-HOPE) initiative. This program is supported by funds made available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Center for State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Support, under NH75OT000073.

St. Paul's 175th Anniversary Celebration Notes



Sunday, January 8th proved to be the ideal beginning for the year-long celebration of St. Paul's 175th Anniversary. Our first Heritage Sunday featured a historical presentation from Martha Church and Jeff Schmitt, the return of our marble baptismal font, which was on loan to the Dubois County Museum, a photo display from prior

years, and a fellowship meal of soup and sandwiches following worship.



How amazing that the first featured story from a church member was from Lena Seitz who went to be with the Lord on this same week after 105 extraordinary years of life at St. Paul's.

The anniversary committee still welcomes your St. Paul's story. Contact the church office and you will be guided to a committee member.



Thanks to the Archives and 175th Committee for hosting the festivities! Up next, at our February 12th Heritage Sunday, the youth of the congregation will lead worship and will serve breakfast to all immediately following the service.



Do you have fond memories of attending Sunday School as a child at St Paul's?

Were you a teacher who helped our children learn about the love of God thru Bible stories, songs, crafts and games?

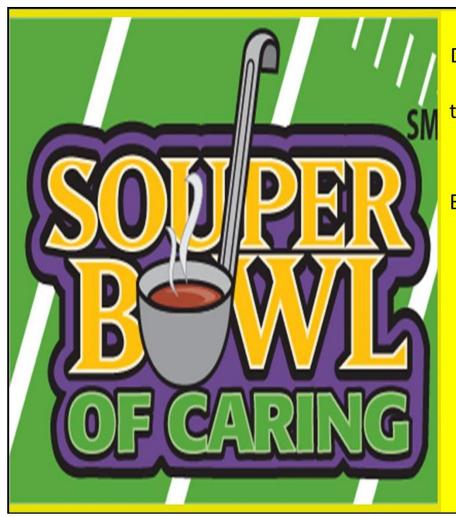
Please share your experiences with our children and lead them in a lesson on your favorite Bible story.

In conjunction with our Anniversary year celebration, we are offering the opportunity to lead Sunday School on the last Sunday of the month.

We are currently planning a lesson on Zacchaeus for Sunday January 29th and The Creation Story on Sunday February 26th both led by JoAn Breitwieser. JoAn has approximately 15 years of experience as a former Sunday School teacher. We will be learning some songs with motions from our Sunday School history as well as a Bible story and a fun craft activity.

Please consider helping out on those Sundays. All hands young and old are welcome, or just come and spend some time with us! Bring your children, your grandchildren or even your neighbor's children ©

Contact JoAn Breitwieser, Lori Werner or Stephanie Stemle if you are interested in leading a Sunday.



Demonstrate God's love by loving our neighbors through our "Souper Bowl" of caring food drive.

Bring cans of soup or drop \$1 in the soup pot in the welcome center.

Sunday, February 12th

All money and soup cans will be

donated to the Dubois Community Food Bank

In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser AM-1 Luke Himsel Joshua Hoffman Maj. Nathan Humbert Cooper Uebelhor San Antonio, TX
Virginia Beach, VA
Washington (State)
Fort Campbell, KY
Colorado Springs, CO