

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

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C Amen

OPENING HYMN *LBW 148* *“Now the Green Blade Rises”*

GREETING

Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the promised gifts of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



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



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



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

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through 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: Acts 4:32-35

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.

³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 133

(Refrain: How good and pleasant it is to live together in unity.)

¹How good and how pleasant it is, when kindred live together in unity!

C ²It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe. (Refrain)

³It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion. For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

C (Refrain)

SECOND READING: 1 John 1:1--2:2

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. ⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we

have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2:1 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; 2 and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

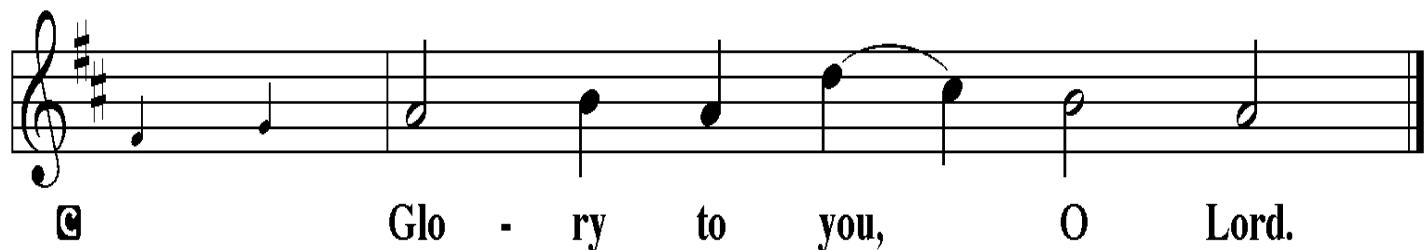


C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

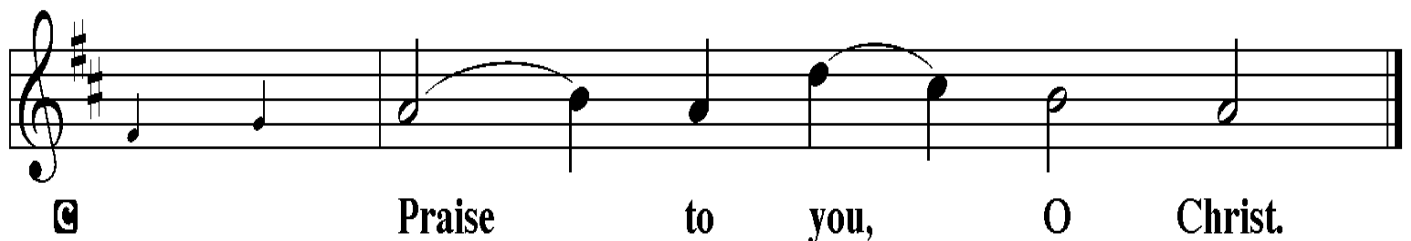
GOSPEL: John 20:19-31



¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although

the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY *LBW 132* *“Come, You Faithful,
Raise the Strain”*

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

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

Your church cries out, O God, and you listen. As you drew near to the disciples, draw near to us this day. Breathe on us your Holy Spirit, that our faith is renewed and we witness to your love. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

Your creation cries out, O God, and you listen. Nurture trees, crops, wildflowers, and all growing things. Guide farmers, gardeners, arborists, and others who tend the soil and nurture plants into life. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

Your world cries out, O God, and you listen. Guide police, firefighters, paramedics, and other first responders to work for the well-being of communities and the dignity of every person, that no one may need to live in fear. God of grace,
C hear our prayer.

Your children cry out, O God, and you listen. Hear your people crying out for justice, for an end to racism and other oppression, and for a world where all are fed and safe. We pray for all who cry out in suffering or pain. *(We pray especially for Rich Arvin,*

Rob Ballard, Lisa Boerste, Marcia Brown, Aurette Cave, Brandi Dodd, Barbara Fleck, Keith Freyberger, Tammy Kieffner, Zach Leinenbach, Judy Lorey, Logan Musgrave, Steve Rothgerber, Libby Rudolph, Annette Schepers, Sue Schnarr, Donnie Schwenk, Norman Sendelweck, Martha Jane Tucker, Ron, the family and friends of Eugene Keller and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)

God of grace,

C hear 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 and Cooper Uebelhor.)* God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

Your congregations cry out, O God, and you listen. Renew pastors, deacons, musicians, and other staff, administrators, and volunteers who facilitated Holy Week and Easter worship. Open our hearts to discern where God calls each of us to serve. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

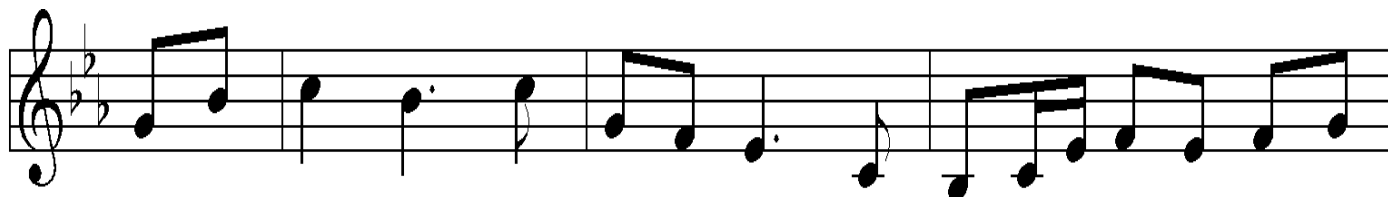
The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

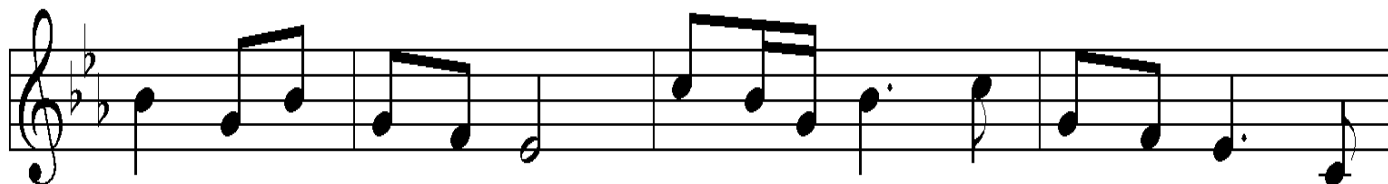
OFFERTORY RESPONSE



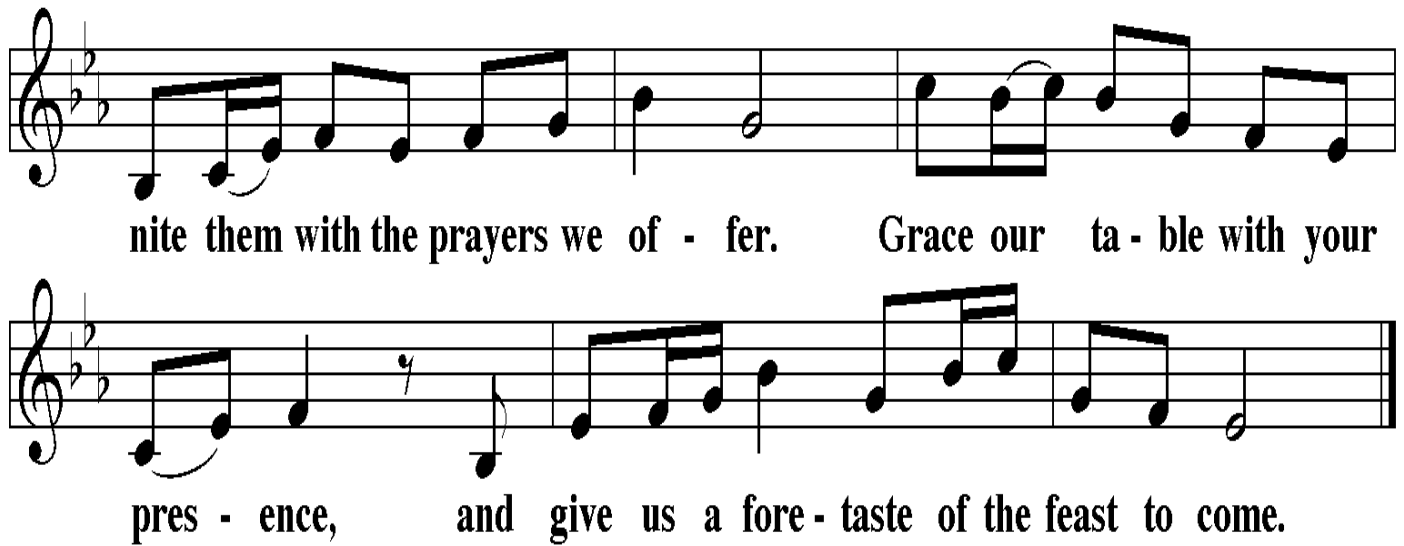
☩ Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



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.

C Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. 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.

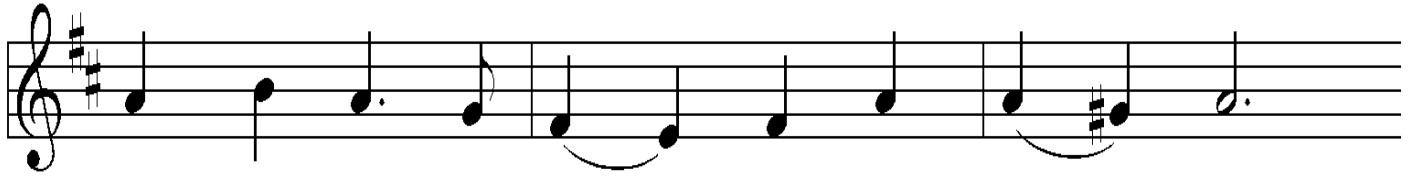
PREFACE

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:

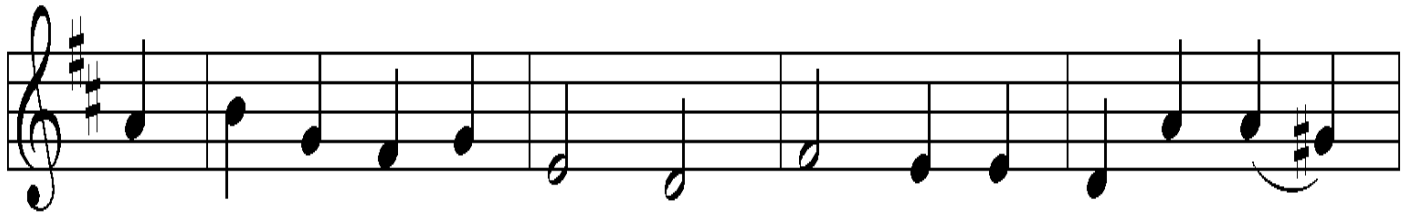
SANCTUS



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



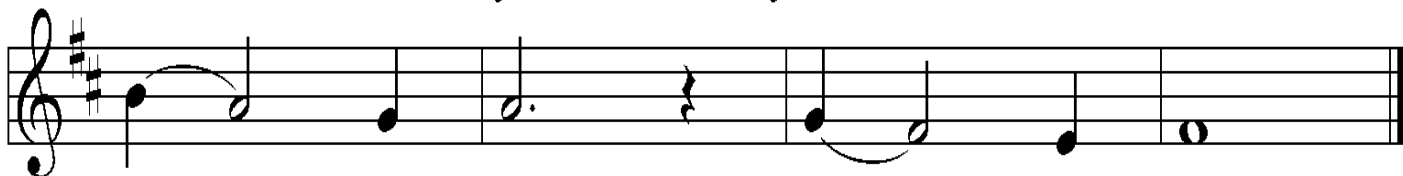
C Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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 488 "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

LBW 338 "Peace, to Soothe Our Bitter Woes"

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

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ 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

Shepherding 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

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✝ bless you now and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN *LBW 145* *“Thine Is the Glory”*

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.*

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: David & Kamille Helming and Family
Comm. Asst: Barb Schnarr
Video: Lori Keller
Pianist: Kaia Holt
Lay Reader: Jon/Barb Schnarr
Audio: Keith Keller
Acolytes: Ryder Freyberger

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 300 SS:

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Apr. 7th – Apr. 14th, 2024

Sun. Apr. 7 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	8:00 AM	Finance Meeting
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service
Tues. Apr. 9 th	6:30 PM	Property Meeting
Thurs. Apr. 11 th	1:00 PM	Blanket Tacking
Sat. Apr. 13 th	9:00 AM	Registration begins WELCA Spring Cluster
Sun. Apr. 14 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christian Education

In conjunction with the last day of Sunday School, 1st grade devotionals and 4th grade bibles will be distributed on April 28th during the Sunday morning worship service. A letter regarding these events have been sent to the parents of the children involved.

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Cleaning out your closets? The WELCA blanket group could use your CLEAN sheets, light weight blankets, pillow cases, mattress pads, bed skirts, table cloths or cotton drapes. Please leave on the welcome center desk or on the tables down in the basement. Any questions, please contact JoAnn Schnarr.

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Sunday School

April 2024

4/7

PreK – 3rd: Lesson & Craft

4th – 6th: Backpack Buddies

4/14

PreK – 3rd: Lesson & Craft

4/21

PreK – 3rd: Lesson & Craft


4/28

Whole Group:

End of Year Party

5/5

Backpack Buddies



*WOMEN OF THE ELCA
EVANSVILLE CLUSTER
SPRING GATHERING*

*ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
HAYSVILLE, INDIANA*

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

THEME: JUST LOVE

*PHYSICAL OFFERING: ITEMS FOR SWICACC
(SOUTHWESTERN INDIANA CHILD
ADVOCACY CENTER COALITION)*

REGISTRATION \$8.00

*PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 8, 2024 TO
DIANN ZEHR PH# 812-481-0081
EMAIL dkz91348@aol.com*



Sunday, March 24th
&
Sunday, April 7th

- Gates open 10:00am.
- Ham shoot starts 12:00pm.
- Boards are taken from 11:00am-3:00pm for regular shoot.
- First round of regular shoot starts 3:00pm.
- Kitchen opens at 11:00am.

1st Place Prize: \$750

Merkley's Gift Certificate

Smaller Merkley's certificates to follow.

5101 N Dubois Rd NE
Dubois, IN 47527

We Invite All Ages to Our





St. Paul's Eclipse News

Local officials expect a large number of visitors to the area the weekend of April 5-8 in anticipation of darkness to occur the afternoon of Monday, April 8 during a total solar eclipse. The longest times of total darkness will take place in Indiana north of Haysville with most visitors anticipated along I-64.

However, since St. Paul's has several open parking areas, we want to be prepared for guests on Monday, the 8th. We will staff the entryway, monitor use of bathrooms and provide refreshments for those seeking to watch the event from our property.

We welcome anyone to help greet visitors. Just come by from 12 Noon to 4:00PM. Please donate:

- Cases of Nestle Pure water
- Prepackaged cookies (not homemade)

These items may be left in the Library. Should they not be used they will be donated to church groups for other activities or to the Food Bank.

We have been advised that people may seek to camp or have RV's on open property so signs limiting use of our main parking lot will be in place prior to time of the event.

In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser
AM-1 Luke Himsel
Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland
USS Theodore Roosevelt
Colorado Springs, CO

