

St. Paul's Lutheran Church 1 Lent February 18, 2024

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C a people holy to the LORD our God.

Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

C Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

One does not live by bread alone,

C but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

OPENING HYMN *WOV 660* *"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"*

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, 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: Genesis 9:8-17

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my

covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10

(Refrain: Your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness.)

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

C ²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

C ⁴Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths. *(Refrain)*

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

C ⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

C ⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way. *(Refrain)*

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

C ¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies. *(Refrain)*

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SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:18-22

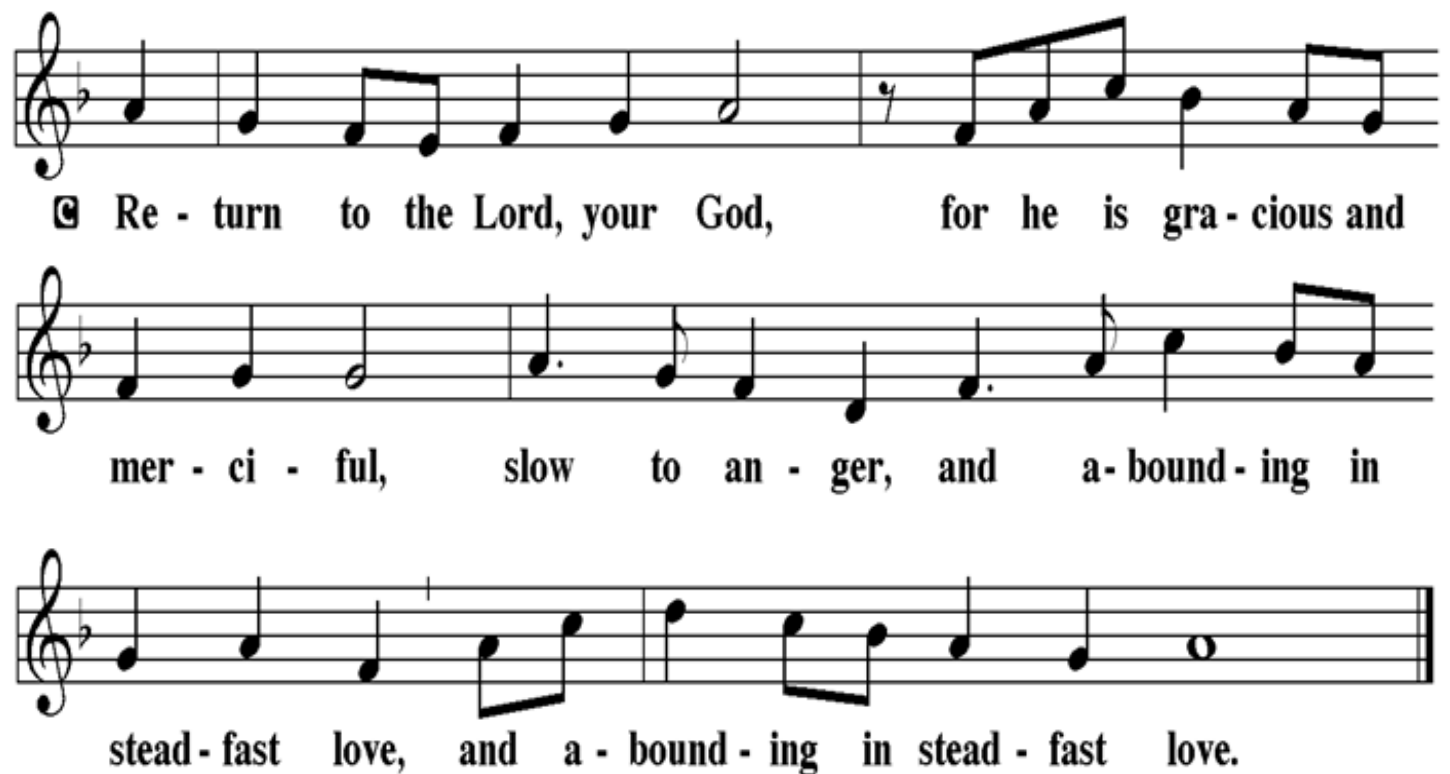
¹⁸Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good

conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The word of the Lord.

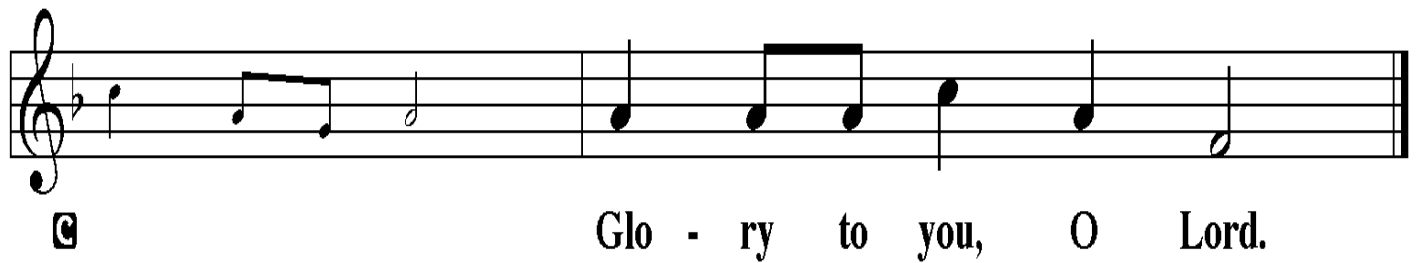
C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15



⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.” ¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. ¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

The gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON *Augie Bauer*

HYMN OF THE DAY *WOV 741* *"Thy Holy Wings"*

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 God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

God our truth, the ark of your church has room for many expressions of faith. We give thanks for voices that challenge and awaken your people. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God our maker, you remember your covenant with the earth and its inhabitants. Rescue communities and creatures hurting from natural disasters. Preserve species and habitats endangered by human carelessness and disregard. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God our light, you know our weakness. Free all who govern from the temptations of power. Sustain all

who work for human rights in every nation. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God our help, you care for your beloved children. Comfort all who are grieving, ill, afraid, in pain, or in despair. Feed hungry people living in food deserts. Protect any at risk from exploitation and abuse. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

God our home, you gather your people. Grant us health and safety as we assemble. Keep us mindful of any who are homebound, hospitalized, convalescing, or traveling. *(We pray especially for Rich Arvin, Rob Ballard, Lisa Boerste, Marcia Brown, Brandi Dodd, Barbara Fleck, Keith Freyberger, Eugene Keller, Cheri Kieffner, Donna Kieffner, Tammy Kieffner, Zach Leinenbach, Judy Lorey, Logan Musgrave, Steve Rothgerber, Libby Rudolph, Annette Schepers, Donnie Schwenk, Martha Jane Tucker, Gerald Vonderheide, Ron 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 our hope, you promise eternal life to your beloved children. We remember with gratitude those who have lived and died in faith. Grant that we may also dwell with you in everlasting peace. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

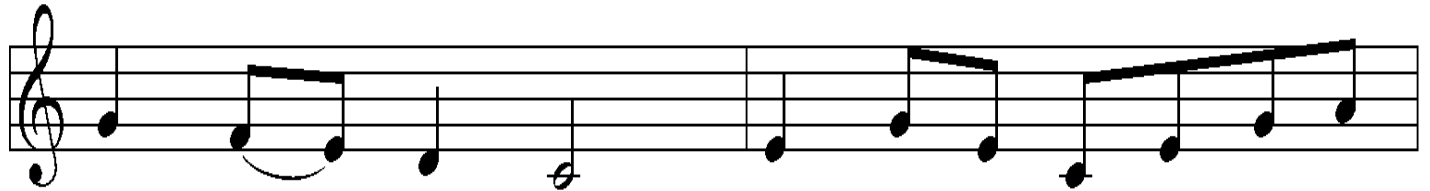
OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY *"Psalm 121"* *Chancel Choir*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



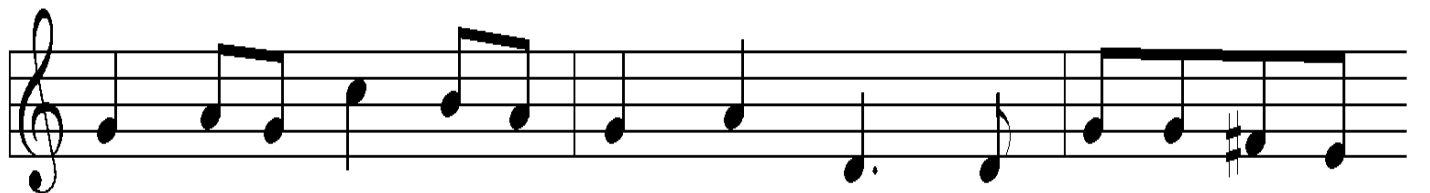
Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



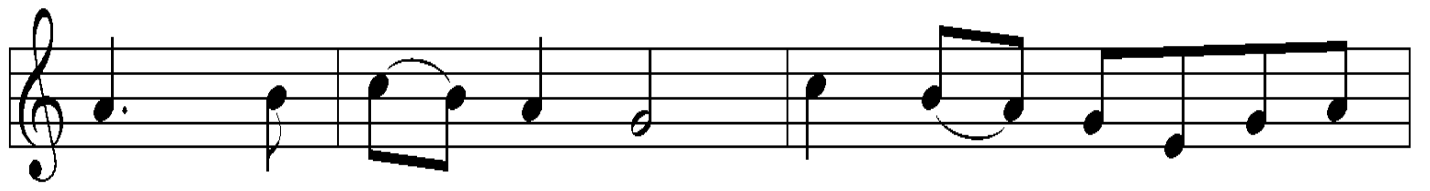
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer now. 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 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.

SENDING HYMN *LBW 229* *“A Mighty Fortress
Is Our God”*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.

C Thanks be to God.

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: Glenn & Marie Neukam
Comm. Asst: Julia Stenftenagel
Video: Geoff Stallwood
Organist: Barbara Dell
Lay Reader: Erin Kellar
Audio: Bryan Buchta
Acolytes: Ryder Freyberger
Altar Guild: Donna Rasche & Shirley Stallwood

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 151 SS: 8

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Feb. 18th – Feb. 25th, 2024

Sun. Feb. 18 th	7:30 AM	Church Council Meeting
	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service (<i>no communion</i>)
	10:00 AM	Blood Pressure Checks
	6:30 PM	The Chosen – Season 3
Wed. Feb. 21 st	5:30 PM	Lenten Meal by LYO
	6:30 PM	Holden Service
Thurs. Feb. 22 nd	1:00 PM	Blanket Tacking
Sun. Feb. 25 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	9:00 AM	Healing Service (<i>no communion</i>)
	6:30 PM	The Chosen – Season 3

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marvin Eisenhut has decided to step down from bell ringing after 23 years of service. If anyone is interested in becoming a bell ringer, please see a church council member or call the office. Thank you, Marvin! We appreciate your many years of service to our church.

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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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Our next WELCA Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 6th, beginning at 6:30 PM. We are delighted to have representatives from the DOVE Recovery House for Women join us. Megan Durlauf and a few of the residents will be sharing their stories. We invite everyone to join us and show support for St. Paul's outreach program for 2024.

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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.

Coming February 2024



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

A SEASON OF HOPE

LENT

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 2
Bath Towels
(light-weight,
maximum
52" x 27",
dark color
recommended)



WEEK 3
Toothbrushes
(adult size,
in original
packaging)



WEEK 4
Combs



WEEK 5
Nail Clippers
(metal, attached
file optional)



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SUNDAY SCHOOL

February 2024

2/4

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



2024
Women of the Heartland
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
 And Health Care Center

**Strong From Within:
 Building Bone Health
 in Women**



Christine Stairs, MD



Jill Song, PA-C

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



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



**Jenna Sermersholm
 MBA, BSN, RN, PCCN**

**Listen to Your Heart:
 Women & Heart Disease**



Brian Price, MD

Ash Wednesday Service @ 6:30 PM

February 14th

(Lenten Meal at 5:30 PM)

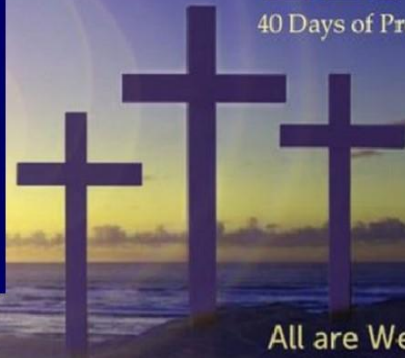
Mid-week Holden Services @ 6:30 PM

February 21st, 28th & Mar. 6th, 13th and 20th

(Lenten Meal at 5:30 PM)

LENT

40 Days of Preparation



All are Welcome!

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 deserts

February 28th – Evangelism

Pulled pork, macaroni salad, baked beans, chips and dessert.

March 6th – Worship & Music

Taco Soup, cornbread, sandwiches and dessert

March 13th – Christian Ed.

Taco bar and dessert.

March 20th – Council

Hamburgers, hotdogs, potato salad, beans and dessert.



Christian Education

Pastor will hold First Communion instruction on Sunday, March 17th and 24th at 8:15 AM with First Communion taking place on March 31st, Easter Sunday, at the 9:00 AM service. Additionally, 1st grade devotionals and 4th grade bibles will be distributed on April 28th during the Sunday morning worship service. A letter regarding these events will be sent to the parents of the children involved. Last day of Sunday School will be on April 28th.

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In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser
AM-1 Luke Himsel
Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland
USS Theodore Roosevelt
Colorado Springs, CO

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