

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.

C Amen.

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

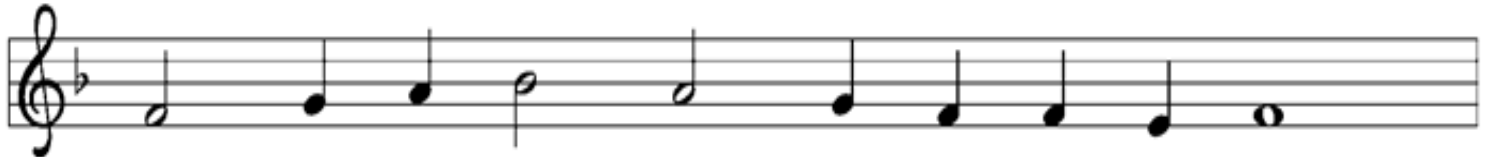
C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

OPENING HYMN

ELW 321 "Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church"



1 E - ter - nal Lord of love, be - hold your church
2 So dai - ly dy - ing to the way of self,
3 If dead in you, so in you we a - rise,



walk - ing once more the pil - grim way of Lent,
so dai - ly liv - ing in your way of love,
you the first - born of all the faith - ful dead;



led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
we walk the road, Lord Je - sus, that you trod,
and as through ston - y ground the green shoots break,



moved by your love and toward your pres - ence bent:
know - ing our - selves bap - tized in - to your death:
glo - rious in spring - time dress of leaf and flow'r,



far off yet here— the goal of all de - sire.
so we are dead and live with you in God.
so in - to life and glo - ry shall we wake.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in 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: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 51:1-12

(Refrain: Create in me a clean heart, O God.)

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

C ²Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.

³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

C ⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment. *(Refrain)*

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

C ⁶Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

C ⁸**Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice. (Refrain)**

⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.

C ¹⁰**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

¹¹Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

¹²**Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. (Refrain)**

(Refrain: Create in me a clean heart, O God.)

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10

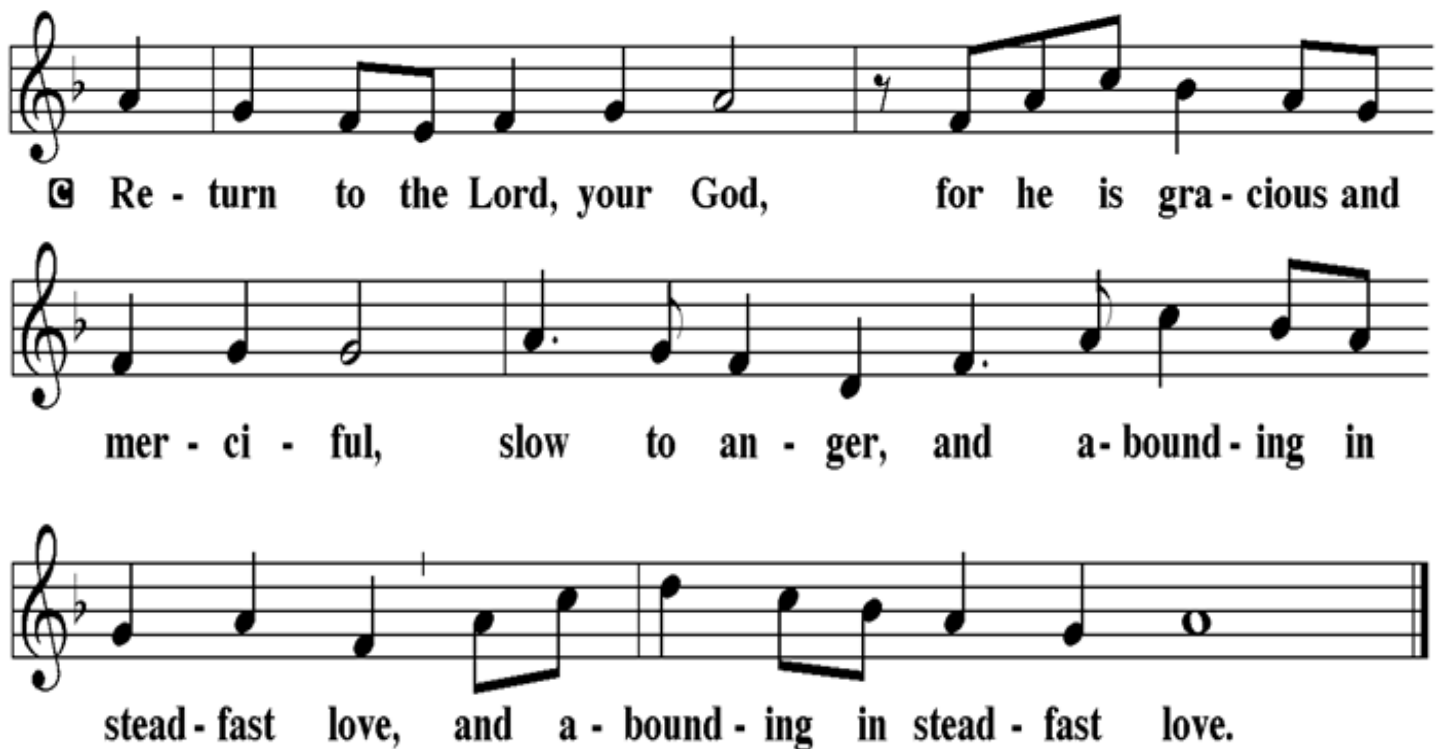
⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; ⁶as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” ⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was

heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The word of the Lord.

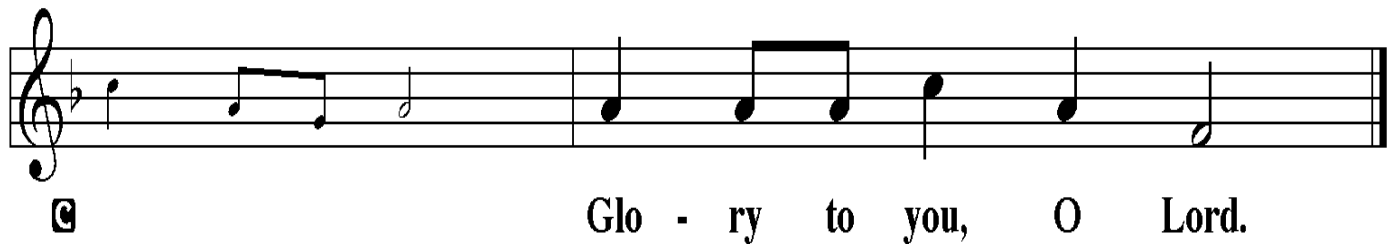
C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*2 measures*)



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.

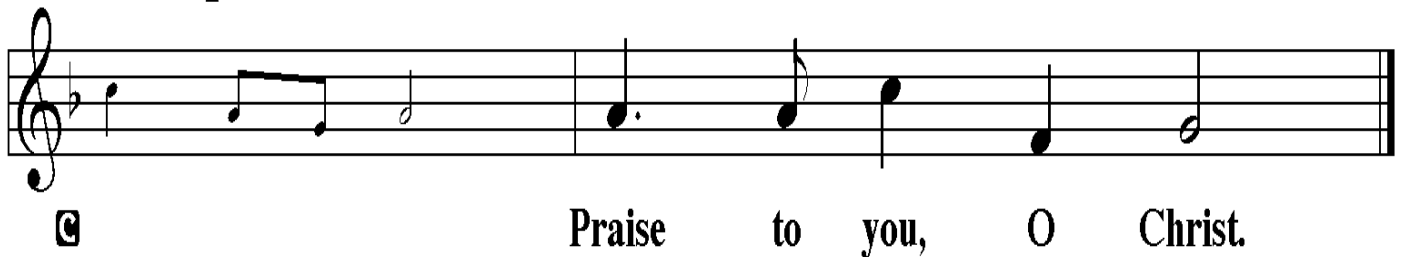
GOSPEL: John 12:20-33



²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. ²⁷“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An

angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN SERMON

SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY *LBW 225 “Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray”*

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

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.

We turn to you for meaning, holy God. Nurture in your children the gifts of the Spirit poured out in baptism and let the mind of Christ guide the church. Give wisdom and discernment to our bishops, pastors, deacons, teachers, and leaders. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for healing. Send compassionate helpers to any who suffer because of war and violence. Shelter unhoused people, befriend those who are lonely, bring hope to any in despair, comfort those who are ill, and console the bereaved. *(We pray especially for Rich Arvin, Rob Ballard, Lisa Boerste, Marcia Brown, Aretta Cave, Brandi Dodd, Barbara Fleck, Keith Freyberger, Eugene Keller, Donna Kieffner, Tammy Kieffner, Zach Leinenbach, Judy Lorey, Logan Musgrave, Steve Rothgerber, Libby Rudolph, Annette Schepers, Sue Schnarr, Donnie Schwenk, Norman Sendelweck, Martha Jane Tucker, Gerald Vonderheide, Lora Williams, Ron, the family and friends of Cheri Kieffner 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.

We turn to you for purpose. Remind us of your faithfulness to this congregation. Increase our trust in

your guidance and keep us near the cross. Grant that our acts of service will express Christ's sacrificial love. 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.

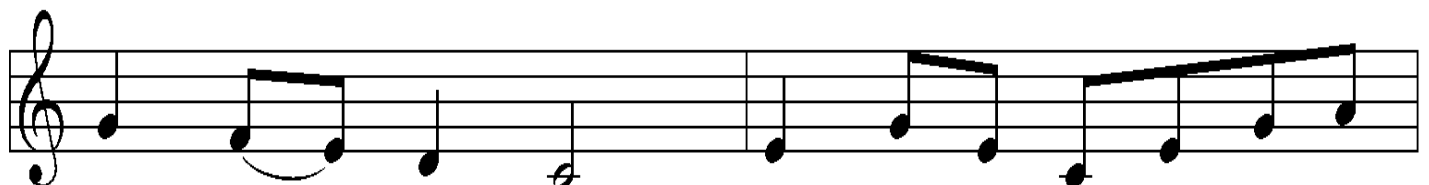
OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY *"Come Holy Spirit"* Chancel Choir

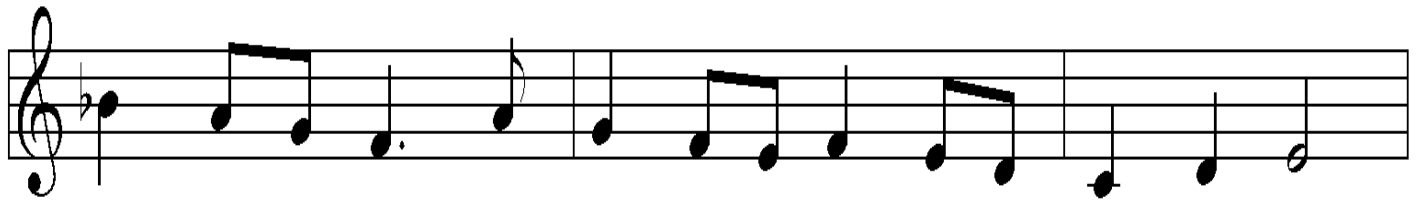
OFFERTORY RESPONSE



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

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.

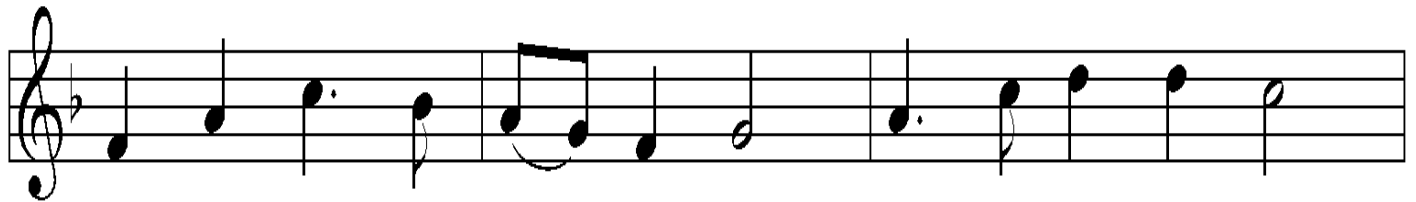
C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy

for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, 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'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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

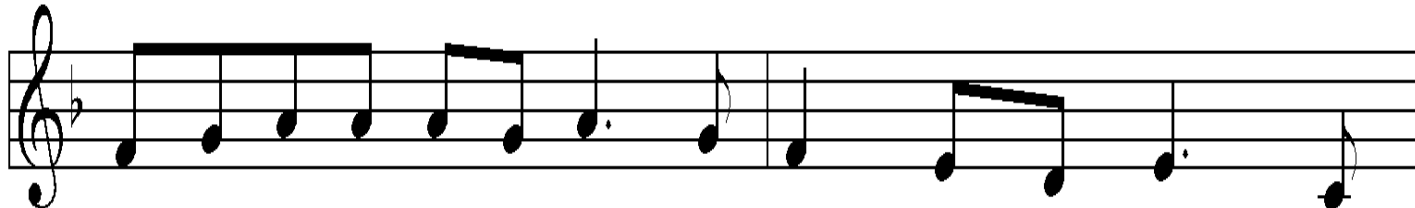
C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

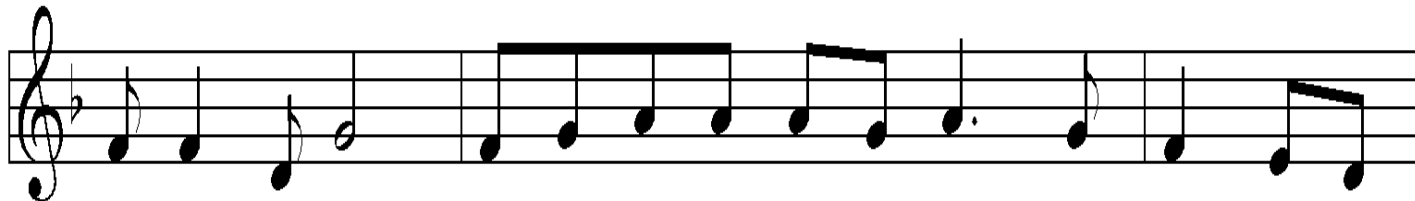
The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

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

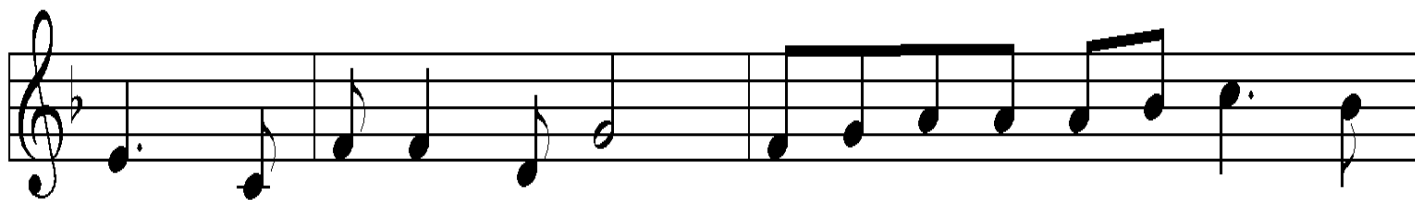
LAMB OF GOD



♩ 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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

WOV 705 *“As the Grains of Wheat”*

LBW 203 *“Now We Join in Celebration”*

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

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *(vs. 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 Gen - tiles 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.

C Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. Amen

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN *LBW 259* *“Lord, Dismiss Us
With Your Blessing”*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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: Tim & Julie Hoffman
Comm. Asst: Jeff Schmitt
Video: Amy Beckman
Organist: Barbara Dell
Lay Reader: Jeff Schmitt
Audio: Doug Wiseman
Acolytes: Jake Lottes
Altar Guild: Brandi Dodd & Erin Kalb

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 126 SS: 15

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF
Mar. 17th - Mar. 24th, 2024**

Sun. Mar. 17 th	7:30 AM	Church Council Meeting
	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	8:15 AM	First Communion Instruction
	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service
Wed. Mar. 20 th	5:30 PM	Lenten Meal by Christian Ed.
	6:00 PM	Handbell Practice
	6:30 PM	Holden Service
Thurs. Mar. 21 st	1:00 PM	Blanket Tacking
Sun. Mar. 24 th	8:00 AM	Chancel Choir Practice
	8:15 AM	First Communion Instruction
	9:00 AM	Palm Sunday Worship Service

(Sunday School each Sunday after communion until 10:30 AM)

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Stacy Vonderheide and Adam Belliveau, they were married on February 25, 2024 in Vermont.

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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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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.

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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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WE NEED YOU!

It takes a village to help St. Paul's operate each week.
Can you help?



VALET SERVICE

Requirements

- Park and return vehicles (before and after church) for members and visitors who request assistance
- Must hold a valid driver's license
- Multiple volunteers needed
- Shifts/Assignments will be determined based on number of volunteers.

BELL RINGER

Requirements


- Sundays: Ring bell at 8:30 AM and again at 9:00 AM when church service begins
- Other: Tole Bell when someone passes away (1 tole per year of life) and at Funerals
- Minimal climbing and physical strength is required
- Monthly assignments (Currently ~4 mos/yr)
- Multiple volunteers needed



THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Interested in learning more or volunteering in these roles?

Contact any Church Council member, or leave
a message with the Church office!



*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*

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

March 2024

3/3

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

3/10

Preschool - 3rd: Story & Craft

3/17

Preschool - 3rd: Story & Craft

3/24

NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK

3/31

Easter Egg Hunt

EASTER EGG HUNT

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church
in Haysville**

Saturday, Mar. 30th @ 12:00 PM

For kids through 5th grade

(Sponsored by the Haysville Ruritans)

**Everyone
Welcome!
Join Us!**



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

Chili, cornbread, sandwiches and dessert

March 13th – Christian Ed.

Taco bar and dessert.

March 20th – Council

Hamburgers, hotdogs, potato salad, beans and dessert.



In Service to Our Country

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Colorado Springs, CO