Practicing Sabbath REV. JOSH DESCH NEPC SERMON SERIES SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Sermon Title: "Practicing Sabbath: Mercy" (#5 in the Sermon Series)

Scripture text: Mark 3:1-6

Main Points:

- 1. What the Pharisees Got _____
- 2. How the _____ Moves Us to Mercy
- 3. _____ Ends and Lingering _____

Questions:

- 1. **Ice Breaker Question** Think of a time when someone showed you mercy. What were the details of your situation and how were you shown mercy?
- 2. Transition Question How can meditating on the gospel help us to show mercy?
- 3. **Observation Question** Why do you think Jesus didn't wait to heal the man with the withered hand until the day after the Sabbath? What can we learn from that?
- 4. **Reflection Question #1** How can we show mercy to others in our church and in our community? Try to give some real world examples.
- 5. **Reflection Question #2** Do you think this sermon series will change what you do on Sundays at all? Why or why not?
- 6. **Application Question** What are some concrete ways you can grow in your understanding and experience of the Christian Sabbath?

