

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

February 19, 2023 • Transfiguration of Our Lord • Guatemala Meeting • Congregational Meeting

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

OPENING

GATHERING SONGS

*Open the Eyes of My Heart
Come As You Are*

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE READING Matthew 17:1-9 Pew Bible pg. #896

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

SERMON

The Fellowship of Fear

Pastor Bob Stelter

SERMON SONG

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

THANKSGIVING

OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

OFFERING SONG

OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor: Merciful Father,

Congregation: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given to us — our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / HOLY COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION SONG

Khyle Wooten, soloist

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

THANKSGIVING

COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Congregation: Amen.

CREED FOR THE EPIPHANY SEASON

All: We believe that the radiance of all people and all creation is Everlasting God. We believe God revealed Jesus to the nations by the leading of a star and Jesus is the full vision of the glory of God. We believe that He is the Light of the World and we have His illuminating presence in our lives. We believe we have been drawn together as the church in the brightness of Christ to love, serve and strive for reconciliation between all people. We believe in boldly naming the sin in our lives, seeking unity in the promise of forgiveness and mercy. We believe we can offer our lives to God in praise and gratitude. Praise God for light and life and love. Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Congregation: Amen.

SENDING SONG

Old Church Choir

DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

*Flowers on the altar are given by **Barbara & Gene Bird** in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.*

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Founding Congregation of Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church, Tellico Village

Founding Congregation of Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry ▪ Stephen Ministry Congregation

Traditional Worship, 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship, 11:11am

((())) Faith Guest WiFi Password: beblessed

Dr. Bob Stelter — Pastor
Lynn Rognsvoog — Organist
Collin Kasefang — Choir Director
Lisa Stelter — Worship Graphics

Members of Faith Lutheran Church — Ministers
Trace Taylor — Sound Technician
Tiffany Bryson — Nursery Caregiver
Kim Frasch — Quiet Music Ministry
Alicia & David Brondos — Missionaries

Mary Boring — Office Manager
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Barbara Birkholz — Financial Secretary
Mildred Fenske — Prayer Chain Coordinator

Thanks to our volunteers who help assemble these bulletins.
WELCOME! As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identity are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve. Please sign a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Want to know more about Lutheranism and our ministries? Contact Pastor Bob, pastorbob@faithloves.org.
GUATEMALA MINISTRY INFORMATIONAL MEETING today,

Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am
Live or online at [Facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville](https://www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranKnoxville)
Recorded Sermons & Services at Faithloves.org

February 19, 10:15am in the library.
LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK!

ADULT DAY

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Today, 12:15pm.

- State of the Church Address
- Presentation of Annual Report
- Walk by Faith Update

SUN-

SCHOOL CLASS, 10:15am. New study of the Book of Revelation, led by John Woods in *The Cup*.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:15am.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY, 1:30pm led by John Woods.

HANDBELL PLAYERS REHEARSAL Wednesdays, 5:30pm. Come join us! Lynn offers piano lessons, too. Contact her at rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com or call 503-819-0118.

COLUMBARIUM NICHES are available to our members for \$1,800 & to non-members at \$2,500. Application forms are found in our **Columbarium Booklet** in the narthex.

2023 FLOWER CHART has been posted. Sign up on the bulletin board by the library.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	
11:11am Contemporary	
Altar Guild	Vicki Adams
Communion Ministers	Jen Berry, Christian Berry, Brad Berry Connie Rist, Lisa Stelter
Greeters	Leslie & Rick Smenner
Ushers	Earl Kripas, David Wyatt
Offering Stewards	George Herbold, Gary Dakolios



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SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY
Open tomorrow, February 20, 3-6pm
Items needed:
Canned Beans • Dry Bagged Beans, 1lb.
Cereal (no added sugar) • Shampoo • Conditioner
Contact our Pantry Coordinator to volunteer at:
shephopepantry@gmail.com

NOTICE! Pastor Bob has never and will never ask for support or funds via email, text or Facebook. If you have received one of these requesting funds or support from Pastor Bob, please report it to the office immediately, 865-966-9626.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER, February 21.
Join us for music and festive King Cake!

ASH WEDNESDAY February 22 Services: noon & 7pm.
Communion & Imposition of Ashes

SALVATION ARMY SHELTER VISITS Tuesday, February 28, 5pm

GRAND VIEW UNIVERSITY CHOIR CONCERT Performing here **March 13, 7pm!** Hosts needed, contact Pastor Bob.

VIA DE CRISTO WEEKEND MARCH 16-19. Contact Elaine Mount for details, 865-898-1474.

FAITH SERVES KARM Saturdays: 3/25, 5/27, 7/22, 9/23, 12/2/23 & 1/27/24.

THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON LENTEN STUDY
Wednesdays during Lent, March 1-March 29, 6-7pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION INSTRUCTION
Wednesdays, March 22 & 29, 5-6pm.
One parent must attend with their child.

HEARTS ACROSS THE MILES—Send Girl Scout cookies to overseas military. Send friend or family addresses to Melissa Russ by **March 20** at mhruss@msn.com. Cookies are already purchased. Visit heartsacrossthemiles.com online.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 7,480
Offerings Year to Date \$ 89,177
Walk by Faith through 1/31 \$ 741,083



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PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS: Shaun Allred, Arlene Aring, Doug Bales, Peggy Beckwith, Mary Blackburn, Amy Canapa, Myles Cooper, Mac Curtis, Patsy Elmore, Ron Fife, Kim Fransch, Pat & Nick Gary, Mary Beth & Alex Greene, Maret & Leo Hebert, Carmen Larsen, Roger Legako, Kris Lehman, Bill Lucas, Heather McDonald, Debbie Moore, Donnie & Lisa Smith & family, Pamela Spaar, Bobbie Steele, Tim Stone, Kristie & Paul Turner, Jim Van Deusen, Susan Vanacore, Nick Vanacore, Danny Willis.

This column will start anew on the first Sunday of each month.

FRIENDS: Kara Bledsoe, Marsha Bode, Sharon Brokenshire, Merriam & Newton Calhoun, Michael Carfi, Harold Chapel, Jack Cleave, Jan & Frank Colangelo, Shirley & Harrel Conneley, Martin Connor, Kathy Conover, Nancy Crain, Bill Crain, the Daminco family, Brandy & Brian Duke, Chris Elkins, Vader Ernst, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Darrell Foust, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gregory Goodall, Rita Heavner, Linda Holtz, Bea Horion, Larry Hu, Hannah Johnson, Kesey Irwin, Donna Knick, Laura Lehner, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Wilma Parker, Jim Presley, Sandra Prior, Claire Racine, Susan Roig, Terry Rosenberger, the Salles families, Scaglione family, Anne Marie Schrubbe, Tiphinne Shea-Scoba, Linda Smith, Austin Stephens, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Marian Williams, Scott Williams, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Lauren Wolfe, Martha Woodward, the Zehner family, Darcy, Gayle, Hannah, Irma, Jacob, Jodi, Jolena, Katie, Manard, Michael, Mila & family, Sam, Shayna *and those we name to You.*

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL: Season of Lent

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Sarah, Frank Hester & Kaya Johnson; Jess, Nick, Max & Archer Lawrence; Shelly, Brighton & Clifford Walker.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS: Gene & Barbara Bird, 50; Nick & Pat Gary, 62.

COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH: Barbara Barass, Judy Colebrook, Jeff Belt, Judy Morris, Derrick Russian, Gary Holtz.

SALVATION ARMY FRIENDS: Daniel, Bruce, Larry, James, Nicholas, Steve, Edward, Tyler, Floyd, Mike, Roy, Mack, Leo, Geoffery, Tyrone, Vanessa, Joan, Christen, Amanda, Noah, Shyshi, Brook, Ashland, Stephanie, Jenny, Kayla, Rhonda.

CONCERN & ASSISTANCE: The people of Ukraine; the earthquake victims in Syria & Turkey.

ADVOCACY & CARE: those who are mentally & physically challenged.

PARTNERSHIPS: Bishop Eaton & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band, Mercy Ships, Iglesia Luterano Augustana de Guatemala & Milagro Women's Education Center, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

PEACE: Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Andrew Chovancek, Tyler Hitter, H.M., Anthony Hu, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson,



2023 COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ted Primka President	Laura Beardsley
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WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19-26, 2023

Sunday, February 19 Congregational Meeting

9:00am	Traditional Worship <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
10:15am	International Ministry Meeting <i>Library</i>
	Adult Sunday School
	Children's Sunday School
	Confirmation Class <i>library</i>
	Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
12:15pm	Congregational Meeting
3-7:00pm	Sons of Norway <i>The Cup</i>
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>

Monday, February 20

3-6pm **Food Pantry open**

Tuesday, February 21 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

6:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>
6-7pm	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

Wednesday, February 22 Ash Wednesday

11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
Noon	Ash Wednesday Service
4:00pm	Staff Meeting
5:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, February 23

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Friday, February 24

9:30am	Cole Center Caregiver Group <i>Fellowship Hall & Library</i>
7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous Group <i>The Cup</i>

Saturday, February 25

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

Sunday, February 26 1st Sunday in Lent

9:00am	Traditional Worship <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
10:15am	Adult Sunday School
	Children's Sunday School
	Confirmation Class <i>library</i>
	Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>

Tuesday, February 28

1:30pm	Bible Study Small Group <i>The Cup</i>
5:00pm	Salvation Army Shelter visits
6:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Psalm 78:17-20, 52-55; Exodus 33:7-23; Acts 7:30-34. ▪ **Tuesday:** Psalm 78:17-20, 52-55; 1 Kings 19:9-18; Romans 11:1-6.

Ash Wednesday: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17; w Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21.

Thursday: Psalm 51; Jonah 3:1-10; Romans 1:1-7.

Friday Psalm 51; Jonah 4:1-11; Romans 1:8-17. ▪ **Saturday** Psalm 51; Isaiah 58:1-12; Matthew 18:1-7.

1st Sunday in Lent Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2 or 99; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9.

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overshadowed them,
and from the cloud

a voice said,
"This is my Son,
the Beloved;
with him

I am well pleased;
listen to him!"

Matthew 17:5

