



# First Sunday of LENT



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## 9 a.m. Traditional Worship Service February 22

*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 identities are united here in our mission to love God, Love Others, Serve.*

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***If you are new,** please sign a worship card and place it in the offering plate.*

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*Adult Bible Class: In the classroom side of the Cup*

*Teen Sunday School (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade): In the Youth Room*

*Confirmation Class (8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> grade): In the Library*

*Children's Sunday School for 5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger:*

- *Ye Littles of Faith for Kindergarten and younger in East hallway classroom next to Nursery*
- *The Mighty Kids Kingdom for 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grades in West hallway classroom, 2 doors past youth room*

*Tuesday Bible Study (Open to All): The Harmony of the Gospels - In the classroom side of the Cup*

*Sunday School Classes are regularly held at 10:15 a.m.*

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*Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.*

**PRELUDE** *Love Medley* arr. Marilyn Ham

**CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION FOR LENT**

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**Congregation: Amen.**

P: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Compassionate One,

**C: you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.**

P: Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In † Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever. Return to the Lord.

**C: Amen.**



### *O Lord, throughout These Forty Days*



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you  
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your  
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and  
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and



prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance  
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your  
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -  
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal



for our sin, and free us from our past.  
skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.  
ny our - selves that we may know God's love.  
Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

#### **GREETING**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Assistant: It is Lent, the season of renewal and repentance.

**Congregation: Create in us clean hearts, O God.**

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray,

**Congregation: Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**PARISH NEWS**

Rev. Dr. Bob Stelter

**THRIVENT PRESENTATION**

Alli von Roekel

**CELEBRATE GENEROSITY TEMPLE TALK** *Why I Serve*

George Herbold

**FIRST READING Genesis 3:1-7** *pew Bible, page 2*

Barbara Birkholz, lector

*It is evil that opens the innocent eyes of Adam and Eve in this account of The Fall*

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.' But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die, for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

**PSALM 32** *pew Bible, page 496*

Lector: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**Congregation:** Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity and, in whose spirit, there is no deceit.

L: While I kept silent, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**C: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;

**C: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

L: Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

**C: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

L: I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

**C: Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.**

L: Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

**C: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *hymnal page 205*



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

**GOSPEL Matthew 4:1-11** *pew Bible, page 881*

*Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter.

**Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord!**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ!**

**SERMON:** Lent Sermon Series on Evil

Pastor Bob Stelter

Today: *"The Origin of Evil"*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *hymnal 613 (stand)*

***Thy Holy Wings***



1 Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver me,  
2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down - y breast  
3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans - ing flood.



and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.  
where I will find sweet com - fort and peace with - in thy nest.  
Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.



Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,  
Oh, close thy wings a - round me and keep me safe - ly there,  
Oh, take in - to thy keep - ing thy chil - dren great and small,



and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with - in thy grace.  
for I am but a new - born and need thy ten - der care.  
and while we sweet - ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us proclaim our faith.

**All: 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.**

## **THE PRAYERS** *stand or kneel*

Rob Blackburn, Assisting Minister

Assistant: Reconciled by God's mercy and sustained by God's presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

*A brief silence.*

Assistant: God of all grace, grant faith to your church. Give to all the baptized the will to resist temptation and to worship and serve you alone. Hear us, O God.

**Congregation: Your mercy is great.**

A: God of all nations, preserve us from trouble. Surround all living in places of violence with your steadfast love and give resilience to all who work for peace. Grant courage to those who challenge, especially around issues of racism and systemic oppression. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: God of all healing, mend our wounds. Bring wholeness to all who are sick, give peace to all who groan in grief, and send companions to all who are lonely or isolated. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: God of all people, provide for our community. For any among us who hunger for bread, bring nourishment. For any among us who hunger for truth, speak your life-giving word. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A: God of all life, bring us to you. We thank you for your free and abounding grace, and for those who, by that same grace, now rest eternally in you. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

*Individual prayer petitions are invited.*

Pastor: Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S TALK**

## **BLESSING OF THE ALTAR, CREDENCE TABLE & PULPIT IN MEMORY OF RON FIFE**

## **THE PEACE**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

## **OFFERING FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY**

**OFFERING ANTHEM** *Come, All Who Thirst* arr. Hal H. Hopson

**OFFERTORY** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* hymnal 184

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 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**

Assistant: God our provider,

**Congregation:** you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life.  
 Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty,  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**GREAT THANKSGIVING** *Now the Feast & Celebration*

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al-so with  
*Pastor:* you. Lift up your hearts. We  
*Pastor:* lift them to the Lord. Let us give  
*Congregation:* thanks to the Lord our God. It is  
 right to give God thanks and praise.

## PREFACE FOR LENT

Pastor: 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 merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call us to cleanse our hearts and come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## THE SANCTUS *hymnal, page 207*

### *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR LENT

Pastor: O God, you have brought us this far by faith. In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light. In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire. In the fullness of time, you sent your Chosen Servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Pastor: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Congregation: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pastor: Send your Holy Spirit, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor: Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: With one will and one voice, we pray:

**All:** 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.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION FROM PASTOR STELTER

**LAMB OF GOD** *hymnal, page 208 (seated)*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** *hymnal 461*

### *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.  
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang - ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.  
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.  
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.  
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

**COMMUNION BLESSING** *stand*

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Assistant: Compassionate God,

**Congregation: you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: As this new week begins, we pause to breathe, to listen and to remember that love is practiced one day at a time. A blessing for you: May the God of mercy and courage steady you when the road feels uncertain; open your eyes to the needs around you; open your hands to serve with care; and open your hearts to remain soft in a hard and weary world. †

**Congregation: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN** *hymnal 327*

*Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow*



1 Through the night of doubt and sor - row on - ward goes the  
2 One the light of God's own pres - ence on his ran - somed  
3 One the strain that lips of thou - sands lift as from the



pil - grim band, sing - ing songs of ex - pec - ta - tion,  
peo - ple shed, chas - ing far the gloom and ter - ror,  
heart of one; one the con - flict, one the per - il,



march - ing to the prom - ised land.  
bright - ning all the path we tread.  
one the march in God be - gun.



Clear be - fore us through the dark - ness gleams and burns the  
One the ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the faith which  
One the glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the far e -



guid - ing light; pil - grim clasps the hand of pil - grim  
nev - er tires, one the ear - nest look - ing for - ward,  
ter - nal shore, where the one al - might - y Fa - ther



step - ping fear - less through the night.  
one the hope our God in - spires.  
reigns in love for - ev - er - more.

**SENDING**

Assistant: During Lent, we commit to love God, love others, serve.

**All: Inspire us, Holy Spirit.**

A: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** *Ceremonial Rondeau* arr. Rick Parks

**WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>ALTAR GUILD</b>             | Nancy Dean                                  |
| <b>GREETER</b>                 | Darla Berdal                                |
| <b>USHERS</b>                  | Ritchie Case, Steve Dean                    |
| <b>ASSISTANT</b>               | Rob Blackburn                               |
| <b>LECTOR</b>                  | Barbara Birkholz                            |
| <b>COMMUNION MINISTERS</b>     | Mary & Doug Bales<br>Kathy & Bryan Thompson |
| <b>PROJECTION &amp; LIGHTS</b> | George Deichert                             |

*The arrangements on the altar remind us of our penitential sacrifice  
and determination during the Lenten season.*

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## PRAYERS

*(Prayers are refreshed at the beginning of each month)*

**Members:** Terry Biesboer, Gene Bird, Dave Birkholz, Jan Bishop, Mary Blackburn, Nathan Blackburn, Rob Blackburn, Roger Brown, Jaigne Christman, Nancy & Leon Cole, Katie Condon, Michael Condon, Myles Cooper, Debbie Courtney, Nancy Dean, Nancy Dickinson, Irene Dorfinger, Patsy Elmore, John Elmore, Karoline Frasch, Pat Gary, Doug Goins, Mary Beth & Alex Green, Jonas Greenman, Chip Hester, Deb & Doug Houck, Tom Jayne, Paul Jurkoic, Lin & Mike McKinley, Diane Lee, Debbie Palatinus, Scarlett Parrott, Harold Peters, Joe Poole, Dr. Ted Primka, Sandra Prior, the Saylor families, Linda Shoemaker, Pamela Spaar, Bill Steele, Rich Wellner, Jean Witte, John Woods, Matt Wright.

**Friends:** App family, Leif Backer, Ron Bailey, Dave Berry, Bill Birkholz, Jim Birkholz, Sheila Birkholz, Frederick Bromwell, Michael Carfi, Steve Case, Celm family, Meg Corrigan, Nancy Crain, Michael Damico, Irma DeBord, Shayna DeBord, Brandy & Brian Duke, Dan Edmunds, Favre family, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Kathi Fenske-Hong, Allyson Galloway Kraft, Phylis Garrison, Cindy Gioe, Wil Glafenhein & family, Angél Gobel, Gary Gouzy, Matt Green, Gutelius family, Hall family, Charlie Hewston, Joy Hymer, Britta Jennewein, Christine Johanssen, Ashley Jones, Barb Korsmo, Loyacano family, Matisko family, Jeff McCown, Roger McCown, Scott Nelson, Josh Nichols, Chris Patrick, Rose & Steve Penney, Alyssa Powers Rivers, Ashley Rauch, Shannon Remington, Jim Russell, Salles families, Laney Savilsky, Marilyn Savilsky, Scaglione family, Richard Sena, Jim Shea, Debbie Shinholt, Lynn Siegfried & family, baby Ruth Sommerfeld and family, Leora Stewart, Audra Tyler Moore, Frank Tyler, Janet Wengert, Bill Whalen, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Zehner family, Angel & Ben, Carolyn, Cheri & George, Darcy, Denis, Micki, Shalyar & Tanya, Shannington, Duskin, Jim, Jodi, Judy, Kim, Laura, Max, Nadine, Touranne *and those we name to You.*

**Gratitude:** New altar, credence table and pulpit in memory of Ron Fife.

**Joyful Welcome New Members:** Evan and James Griswold.

**Joyful Blessings** for Carrie Parrott as she begins her role as Director of Youth Ministry for our Southeastern Synod.

**Comfort in the midst of death for the family and friends of:** Jesse Jackson, John Hitchcock, Nick Gary, Richard Korsmo, Judy Scaglione, Jim Hart, Bill Whalen, Charles Francis, Rose Coddair, Tom Matisko.

**Shepherd of Hope Pantry Friends:** Amanda & her children, Sasha & daughter, Savannah & Devon, Max, Patti Morgan & family, Charlie & Weston, Chris, Josefina, Long Ho, Betty, Tiffany, Nita & family, Amanda & me, Ted & Sandra, Charline, Tommy, Kristi & Trent, Tom, Paul, Robby, Retha, Mary, Sally, Pryors, Mytohia & family, Christine & family, Happy, Patricia & children, Sherry & Mike, Taissi, Denis, Daniela, Mark *and those known to God.*

**Salvation Army Friends:** Tara, Wendy, Al, Julie, Daphne, Elizabeth, Cheryl, Stephanie, Lacy, Paula, Lisa, Brandon, Robert, Eli, Danny, Gibby, James, Jason, Gary, Kenny, Adam, Christopher, Mark *and those known to God.*

**Concern & Assistance:** Those dealing with addiction while incarcerated. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans. First Responders. Refugees and those living in fear of deportation. Persecuted Christians. The people of Nigeria, Iran, Israel, Syria, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia.

**Partnerships:** Bishop Yehiel Curry & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Kevin Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Seminarian Sam Sosebee; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; English Language Learning Classes, Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Homeless Shelters; Street Hope; Alzheimer's Support Group; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band; Mercy Ships; Lutheran Church & School in Guatemala; AL-ANON; Narcotics Anonymous.

**Peace & Protection for all armed forces, especially:** Jacob Cole, Anthony Hu, HM, Andrew McDonald, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Sam Thompson, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount.

# EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- 9 a.m.** Traditional Worship Service
- 10:15 a.m.** Thrivent Power of Membership Workshop & Brunch
- 11:11 a.m.** Contemporary Worship Service
- 5 p.m.** Celtic Worship

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

- 12 p.m.** Via de Cristo Reunion
- 6:15 p.m.** English Language Class

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- 1:30 p.m.** Bible Study Class
- 5 p.m.** Salvation Army (Meet at the church)
- 6 p.m.** Evening Prayer
- 7:30 p.m.** Narcotics Anonymous

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

- 4:15 p.m.** Staff Meeting
- 5 p.m.** First Communion Instruction
- 5:30 p.m.** Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6 p.m.** Lent Book Discussion and Soup Supper
- 6:30 p.m.** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- 7:30 p.m.** Narcotics Anonymous

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 9:30 a.m.** Cole Center Caregiver Community
- 7 p.m.** Narcotics Anonymous

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 11:30** Al-Anon

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29

- 9 a.m.** Traditional Worship Service
- 10:15 a.m.** Sunday School, Coffee & Donuts, English Learning Class
- 11:11 a.m.** Contemporary Worship Service

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Salvation Army Visit**
  - Tuesday, February 24 at 5 p.m.
  - Meet at the church
- **First Communion Instruction**
  - Wednesday, February 25 at 5 p.m.
- **Lent Book Discussion and Soup Supper**
  - Wednesday, February 25 at 6 p.m.

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## DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS THIS WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Kings 19:1-8, Hebrews 2:10-18, Psalm 32

**Tuesday:** Genesis 4:1-16, Hebrews 4:14-5:10, Psalm 32

**Wednesday:** Exodus 34:1-9, 27-28, Matthew 18:10-14, Psalm 32

**Thursday:** Isaiah 51:1-3 2, Timothy 1:3-7, Psalm 121

**Friday:** Micah 7:18-20, Romans 3:21-31, Psalm 121

**Saturday:** Isaiah 51:4-8, Luke 7:1-10, Psalm 121

**Sunday:** Genesis 12:1-4, Psalm 121 (1, 2), Romans 4:1-5, 13-17, John 3:1-17

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