

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



2 KINGS 17:6-23 AND MARK 1:29-39

“THE FALL OF ISRAEL AND TRUE HEALING”

*Jesus heals. What is healing?
How does Christ heal today?*

**5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
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GATHER

WELCOME

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:19b*

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

- 1. You shall have no other gods.**
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
- 4. Honor your father and mother.**
- 5. You shall not murder.**
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 7. You shall not steal.**
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).**

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Mark 12:28-31

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

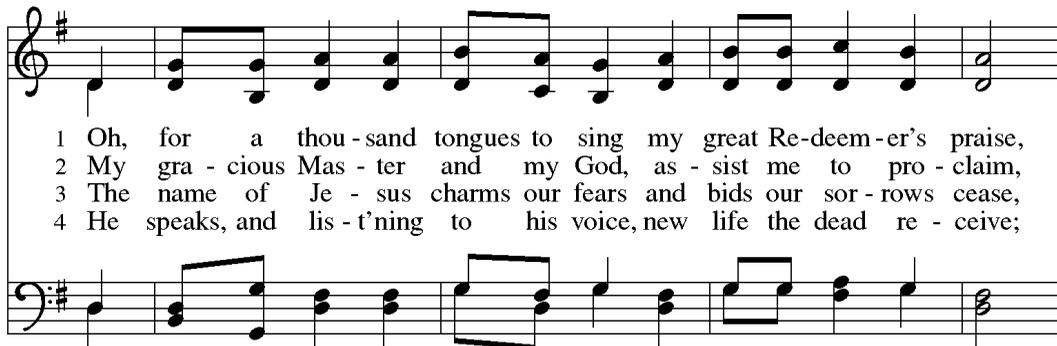
P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

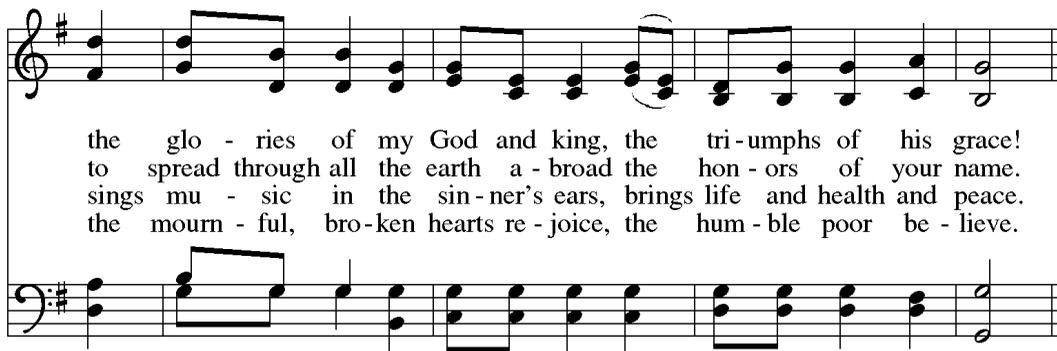
C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
 3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease,
 4 He speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;



the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
 sings mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
 the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.

5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
 O fallen human race!
 Look and be saved through faith alone,
 be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love
 be now and ever giv'n
 by saints below and saints above,
 the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

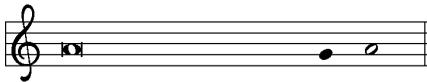
2 Corinthians 13:13

P: 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.

THE KYRIE

Mark 10:47



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



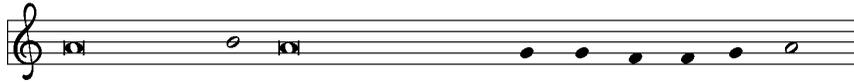
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

THIS IS THE FEAST

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



I Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(prayed together)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

2 KINGS 17:6-23

After centuries of rebellion and eclectic religion, the northern tribes of Israel are scattered by the wrath of the LORD through His use of the Assyrian Empire. Lord have mercy on us!

⁶In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria captured Samaria; he carried the Israelites away to Assyria. He placed them in Halah, on the Habor, the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

⁷This occurred because the people of Israel had sinned against the LORD their God, who had brought them up out of the land of Egypt from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. They had worshiped other gods ⁸and walked in the customs of the nations whom the LORD drove out before the people of Israel, and in the customs that the kings of Israel had introduced. ⁹The people of Israel secretly did things that were not right against the LORD their God. They built for themselves high places at all their towns, from watchtower to fortified city; ¹⁰they set up for themselves pillars and sacred poles on every high hill and under every green tree; ¹¹there they made offerings on all the high places, as the nations did whom the LORD carried away before them. They did wicked things, provoking the LORD to anger; ¹²they served idols, of which the LORD had said to them, "You shall not do this." ¹³Yet the LORD warned Israel and Judah by every prophet and every seer, saying, "Turn from your evil ways and keep my commandments and my statutes, in accordance with all the law that I commanded your ancestors and that I sent to you by my servants the prophets." ¹⁴They would not listen but were stubborn, as their ancestors had been, who did not believe in the LORD their God. ¹⁵They despised his statutes, and his covenant that he made with their ancestors, and the warnings that he gave them. They went after false idols and became false; they followed the nations that were around them, concerning whom the LORD had commanded them that they should not do as they did. ¹⁶They rejected all the commandments of the LORD their God and made for themselves cast images of two calves; they made a sacred pole, worshiped all the host of heaven, and served Baal. **¹⁷They made their sons and their daughters pass through fire; they used divination and augury; and they sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking him to anger.** ¹⁸Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel and removed them out of his sight; none was left but the tribe of Judah alone.

¹⁹Judah also did not keep the commandments of the LORD their God but walked in the customs that Israel had introduced. ²⁰The LORD rejected all the descendants of Israel; he punished them and gave them into the hand of plunderers, until he had banished them from his presence.

²¹When he had torn Israel from the house of David, they made Jeroboam son of Nebat king. Jeroboam drove Israel from following the LORD and made them commit great sin. ²²The people of Israel continued in all the sins that Jeroboam committed; they did not depart from them ²³until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had foretold through all his servants the prophets. So Israel was exiled from their own land to Assyria until this day.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 147

“Bless the Lord, My Soul”

Marty Haugen

Congregational refrain:

Bless the LORD, my soul — Who heals the bro-ken heart-ed. —

¹Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem, chant praises to you God.
The strength of God is your fortress sure, and blessed are your children.

Refrain:

²All praise to You, O gracious God, Your goodness fills the earth.
You raise anew Jerusalem, and gather all Your lost ones.

Refrain:

³You heal the hurt and broken heart, You bind up ev'ry wound,
You number all the stars of night and call each one by name.

Refrain:

⁴The peace of God shall be your hope, God's finest wheat your food,
the Word of God fills all the earth, as rapid as the whirlwind.

Refrain:

SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 9:16-23

God entrusted Paul with the responsibility of bringing the gospel to diverse people. Hence the focus of Paul's ministry is not his own rights or privileges as an apostle but the privilege of serving God by freely sharing the good news of Christ with others.

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:68



GOSPEL

MARK 1:29-39

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

Response after the announcement:

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere he goes, he heals people and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

²⁹As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE

"The Fall of Israel and True Healing"

The Fall of Israel

We Are All Mortal

Ultimate Healing

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: We become sick. We Suffer. We die. All is vanity.

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: I can tell the LORD my hurt and my pain. The LORD gives strength of mind, body and soul and, for all who trust Jesus, ultimately will bring full healing in the resurrection of the body.

So What? We should recognize the boundaries and limitations of our mortality. Let us pray our problems and trials to our heavenly Father for His strength and help.

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirsting to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo-ry
to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and

sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body

and the life + everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

P: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

C: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. *2 Corinthians 13:11*

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

C: And also with you.

THE MEAL AND SENDING

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136

The Lord be with you. **And** al - so with you.

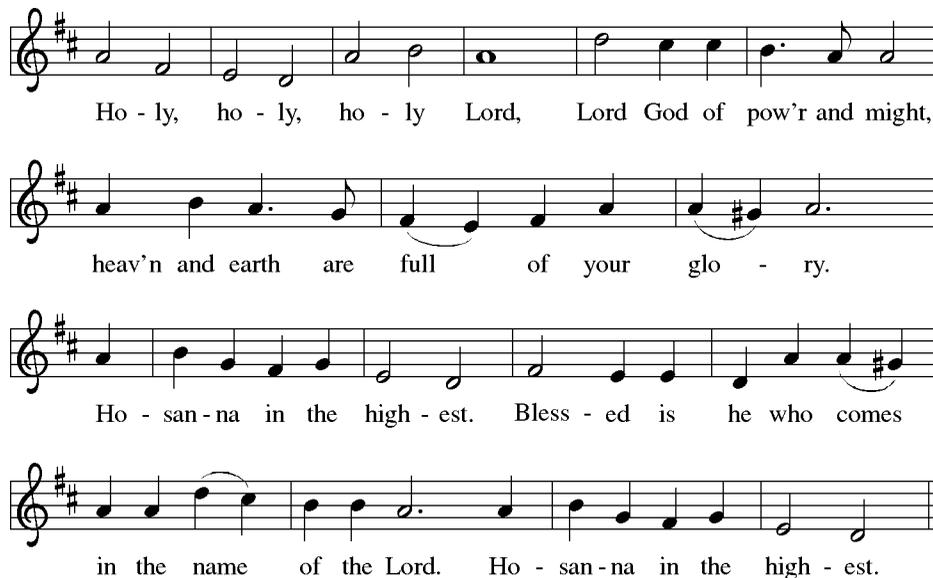
Lift up your hearts. **We lift** them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11*

P: 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

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29



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, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND INDIVIDUAL DISMISSAL

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by David and Susan Lewis.



PARISH NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to Michael and Star Finch and big brother Braxton on the birth of Brinkley Dean Finch (8 lbs. 0 oz. and 20.5”) on February 2!

FEEDING THE HUNGRY CAMPAIGN: In lieu of the Souper Bowl of Caring fundraiser, the youth will be sponsoring the LCC's Feeding the Hungry Campaign. On Sunday, February 14th, a video will be released on the church website of youth sharing the importance of giving to our community. *From the 14th through the 21st of February, congregation members can donate any amount in the form of a check either by mail or by placing it in the offering plate.* Please put "Feeding the Hungry Campaign" in the memo line. For this campaign, we will be donating all funds that are raised to our local CAM food bank. Last year for the Souper Bowl of Caring, the youth set a goal of \$1000, but with the congregation's support, we were able to raise almost \$1700. For the LCC's Feeding the Hungry Campaign, the youth have set another goal of \$1000. The Brotherhood has graciously offered to match \$.50 for every dollar raised. Please consider lending your help to our cause again this year!

SPROUTS: We will continue with virtual meetings through February. We will be meeting on **February 14 at 9:30 am** for *Zoom Sunday School*. Our next youth group meeting will be **Wednesday, February 17 at 6 pm**. Amy will email the Zoom link during the week.

ROOTS: On Sunday, **February 21** at 9:30 am Roots youth will meet virtually for a monthly devotional. There will be a work day at the church on **February 27** from 10 am until noon. Lunch will be provided.

2021 PINE NEEDLE SALE: For approximately 20 years, the Men of the Church have conducted a Pine Needle Sale in March. Profits from this sale have gone to various ministries of our Church. After prayerful consideration, the Men of the Church do not feel it is in our best interest to conduct the sale this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The sale and delivery of pine needles requires our members to work in close proximity. As you are aware, we already have members who have been affected by this virus and do not in any way want to allow this to spread to others. The old saying, sometimes you have to make decisions with your head and not your heart, applies here. We hope you understand and support our decision.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (Psalm 1:2) A prayer list, daily lessons to read the Bible together each year, and a song of praise are below. The “*Our Daily Bread*” devotional is available as a booklet, an app in eBook format, daily e-mail, or podcast. Visit odb.org/subscribe.

Please share prayer concerns or updates on the prayer list with the church office (704-864-6491), call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or call our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493). Intercessions will be for a month and then removed unless requested to continue.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: BT & Pauline Bradley, Jerry & Shirley Carpenter, Elona Collins, Helen Hoffman, Henry & Debra Hoffman, **Larry Hoover**, Dru Huffstickler, Robert Park, Bill Robinson, and Bob Thornburg

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Eula Brazell, Lee Brinkley, Taylor Brinkley, Garry & Carole Farmer, Jamison Franklin, **Chuck & Denise Grant**, Sherry Hester, Paula Kadel, Eva Ann McLean Kendrick, Suzanne Ledford, Dawn Lemmond, Lee Norris, Chris Owings, Jake Parks, Paul Scarlata, Charlene Sorenson, Anne & Roger Stowe, and George Sung

WEEK 06: FEBRUARY 7 to FEBRUARY 14, 2021

- 02/07** Morning Reading: Matthew 24:1-28—Evening Reading: Leviticus 1, 2, 3
02/08 Morning Reading: Matthew 24:29-51—Evening Reading: Leviticus 4, 5
02/09 Morning Reading: Matthew 25:1-30—Evening Reading: Leviticus 6, 7
02/10 Morning Reading: Matthew 25:31-46—Evening Reading: Leviticus 8, 9, 10
02/11 Morning Reading: Matthew 26:1-25—Evening Reading: Leviticus 11, 12
02/12 Morning Reading: Matthew 26:26-50—Evening Reading: Leviticus 13
02/13 Morning Reading: Matthew 26:51-75—Evening Reading: Leviticus 14
02/14 Morning Reading: Matthew 27:1-26—Evening Reading: Leviticus 15, 16

Song Of Praise “*Borning Cry*” ELW #732

Next Sunday, FEBRUARY 14, 2021 ~ Transfiguration of our Lord

8:30 Holy Communion: Isaiah 55:1-11 and Mark 9:2-9

9:00 Zoom Sunday School: Jesus’ Ministry Begins (*The Story*, Chapter 23)

10:30 Service of the Word: Isaiah 55:1-11 and Mark 9:2-9 ~

“The Transfiguration of our Lord”

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021

Sun-07	8:30 am	Early Worship (Family Life Center)
	9:00 am	Sunday School via Zoom
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Prayer Hut)
Mon-08	8:30 am	Preschool
Tues-09	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
Wed-10	8:30 am	Preschool
	6:15 pm	Handbells
Thur-11	8:30 am	Preschool

*We are so happy you joined us for worship this morning.
Please fill out the information below and leave this page in the pew
following the service. Thank you!*

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

____ Member ____ Visitor ____ Desire a call from the Pastor

Prayer Request: _____
