

# LUTHERAN CHAPEL



**JEREMIAH 17:1-13, LAMENTATIONS 3:19-24  
AND MARK 1:9-15**

***“THE RESCUE MISSION”***

*The extreme love of the LORD preserves a remnant even with tears and trials. The mission to save a lost Judah, a lost humanity, continues in Jesus Christ.*

**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT  
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***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.*

**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 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - duces him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

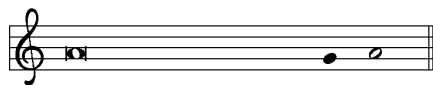
2 Corinthians 13:13

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

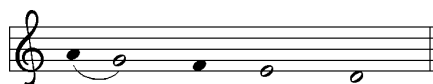
C: And also with you.

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

*(In Unison)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

**Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## WORD

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### STORY OF SALVATION LESSON     **Jeremiah 17:1-13 & Lamentations 3:19-24**

*Just follow your heart. Do what your heart is telling you. What if my heart is distorted? What if all human hearts are devious? The sorrow of the Word of God gives a voice for our sorrow. Save us LORD, even from our own hearts.*

<sup>1</sup>The sin of Judah is written with an iron pen; with a diamond point it is engraved on the tablet of their hearts, and on the horns of their altars, <sup>2</sup>while their children remember their altars and their sacred poles, beside every green tree, and on the high hills, <sup>3</sup>on the

mountains in the open country. Your wealth and all your treasures I will give for spoil as the price of your sin throughout all your territory. <sup>4</sup>By your own act you shall lose the heritage that I gave you, and I will make you serve your enemies in a land that you do not know, for in my anger a fire is kindled that shall burn forever.

<sup>5</sup>Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals  
and make mere flesh their strength,  
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>They shall be like a shrub in the desert,  
and shall not see when relief comes.  
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,  
in an uninhabited salt land.

<sup>7</sup>Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,  
whose trust is the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream.  
It shall not fear when heat comes,  
and its leaves shall stay green;  
in the year of drought it is not anxious,  
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

<sup>9</sup>**The heart is devious above all else;  
it is perverse —**

**who can understand it?**

<sup>10</sup>I the LORD test the mind  
and search the heart,  
to give to all according to their ways,  
according to the fruit of their doings.

<sup>11</sup>Like the partridge hatching what it did not lay,  
so are all who amass wealth unjustly;  
in mid-life it will leave them,  
and at their end they will prove to be fools.

<sup>12</sup>O glorious throne, exalted from the beginning,  
shrine of our sanctuary!

<sup>13</sup>O hope of Israel! O LORD!

All who forsake you shall be put to shame;  
those who turn away from you shall be recorded in the underworld,  
for they have forsaken the fountain of living water, the LORD.

<sup>19</sup>The thought of my affliction and my homelessness  
is wormwood and gall!



<sup>20</sup>My soul continually thinks of it  
and is bowed down within me.

<sup>21</sup>But this I call to mind,  
and therefore I have hope:

<sup>22</sup>**The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;**

<sup>23</sup>**they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.**

<sup>24</sup>"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in him."

L: The Word of the Lord

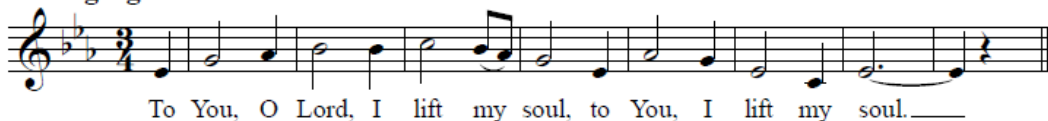
C: Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 25

*"To You, O Lord"*

Marty Haugen

### Congregational refrain



1. Lord, make me know Your ways, teach me Your paths  
and keep me in the way of Your truth, for You are God, my Savior

### Refrain:

2. For the Lord is good and righteous revealing His way to those who seek Him,  
gently leading the poor and the humble.

### Refrain:

3. To the ones who seek the Lord, who look to His word, who live His love,  
He will always be near, He will show them His mercy.

### Refrain:

## SECOND LESSON

**1 Peter 3:18-22**

*As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.*

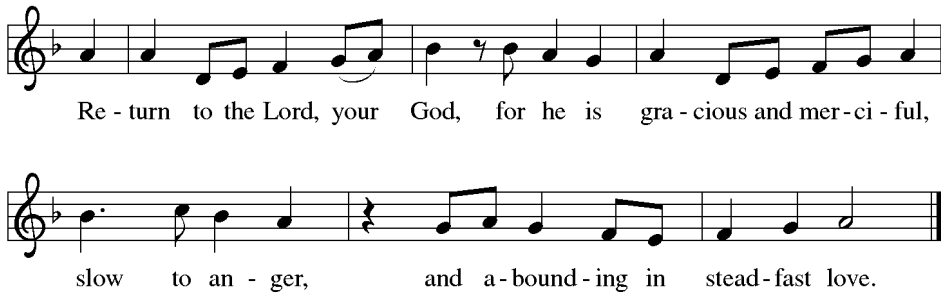
<sup>18</sup>Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Joel 2:13*



## GOSPEL

**MARK 1:9-15**

*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.**

*The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.*

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

<sup>12</sup>And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

## MESSAGE

*“The Rescue Mission”*

The Life of Jeremiah

God’s Extreme Love

The Gift of Repentance - Turning to Jesus Day by Day

***The Law*** is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: The LORD will judge sin and destroy the sinful.

***The Gospel*** is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us. His mercy will alone truly rescue us.

***So What?*** Put your relationship with God first. You and I are warned. Turn to Jesus again and again, now and forever.



## HYMN OF THE DAY

*“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”*

ELW #517

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and

by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your Son  
Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that we  
u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal strife

and bring to naught all he has done.  
may sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
and lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

## **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 Man of Sorrows, who was tempted and suffered to save us.

**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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has a double bar line after the first phrase. The second staff also has a double bar line after the first phrase. The third and fourth staves end with a final double bar line.

### 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.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff ends with a final double bar line.



## **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 Buddy Carothers in memory of Phyllis M. Carothers.

### LENTEN EVENING PRAYER SERVICES

In-person & Online

7:30 Wednesday Evenings during Lent

Feb.24, March 3, 10, 17, 24



## **PARISH NEWS**

**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. Today, 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!

**ROOTS:** There will be a workday at the church on **February 27** from 10 am until noon. Lunch will be provided.

**SPROUTS:** We will continue with virtual meetings through February. We will be meeting on **February 28 at 9:30 am** for *Zoom Sunday School*. Amy will email the Zoom link during the week.

**YOUTH SUNDAY:** Pastor Comer, Mrs. M and Amy are working with the Roots youth to come up with a modified Youth Sunday on Sunday, April 25th during the 10:30 service. The Roots youth will be reading the lessons and gospel, presenting the children's sermon, serving as ushers and offering some special instrumental music selections. If any Roots youth is interested in participating, please contact Amy at [amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org](mailto:amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org) or Mrs. M at [chapelvoices@msn.com](mailto:chapelvoices@msn.com) by Monday, March 15th.

**NEWSLETTER:** Articles for the March newsletter are due tomorrow. Send to Kim at [churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org](mailto:churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org).

**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](http://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, **Kori Bradley**, Jerry & Shirley Carpenter, Elona Collins, Helen Hoffman, Larry Hoover, Dru Huffstickler, Robert Park, Bill Robinson, and Bob Thornburg

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** Eula Brazell, Lee Brinkley, Taylor Brinkley, Deborah Carpenter, Garry & Carole Farmer, Jamison Franklin, Victoria Garcia, Mary Linda Gay, Sherry Hester, Teresa Justice, Paula Kadel, Pr. Tommy Lineberger, Eva Ann McLean Kendrick, Suzanne Ledford, Dawn Lemmond, Mary Beth Moore, Lee Norris, Chris Owings, **Caitlin Reece**, Paul Scarlata, Dakota Shuford, Charlene Sorenson, Anne & Roger Stowe, and George Sung

### WEEK 08: FEBRUARY 21 to FEBRUARY 28, 2021

- 02/21** Morning Reading: Mark 3:1-19—Evening Reading: Numbers 1, 2  
**02/22** Morning Reading: Mark 3:20-35—Evening Reading: Numbers 3, 4  
**02/23** Morning Reading: Mark 4:1-20—Evening Reading: Numbers 5, 6  
**02/24** Morning Reading: Mark 4:21-41—Evening Reading: Numbers 7, 8  
**02/25** Morning Reading: Mark 5:1-20—Evening Reading: Numbers 9, 10, 11  
**02/26** Morning Reading: Mark 5:21-43—Evening Reading: Numbers 12, 13, 14  
**02/27** Morning Reading: Mark 6:1-29—Evening Reading: Numbers 15, 16  
**02/28** Morning Reading: Mark 6:30-56—Evening Reading: Numbers 17, 18, 19

**Song Of Praise**      “*Change My Heart O God*”    ELW #801

### Next Sunday, FEBRUARY 28, 2021

- 8:30 Holy Communion: 2 Kings 25:1-21 and Mark 8:31-38  
9:00 Zoom Sunday School: Jesus, the Son of God (*The Story*, Chapter 25)  
10:30 Service of the Word: 2 Kings 25:1-21 and Mark 8:31-38 ~

*“Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God”*

**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 21 - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2021**

<b>Sun-21</b>	8:30 am	Early Worship (Family Life Center)
	9:00 am	Sunday School via Zoom
	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Roots Devotional via Zoom</b>
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Prayer Hut)
<b>Mon-22</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
<b>Tues-23</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
<b>Wed-24</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	6:15 pm	Handbells
	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)</b>
<b>Thur-25</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
<b>Sat-27</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Roots Workday</b>

*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!*

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Prayer Request:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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