

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



EXODUS 3:1-6, 13-15 AND LUKE 9:28-36

“FOR WHOM DO YOU LISTEN?”

TV droning, TikTok challenge, internet maze, radio blasting - there seems to be no shortage of information and news these days. Yet in the end, do we listen to the divine voice? Do I listen to God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit?

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

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SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER**

***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.
* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

Isaiah 60:1, 4; Psalm 27:1

P: We gather together in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

C: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

P: Lift your eyes and look around:

C: all gather together to proclaim the praise of the Lord.

P: Your sun will never set again.

C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P: Your days of sorrow will end.

C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P: Whom shall we fear?

C: Whom shall we fear? The Lord is the strength of our life, whom shall we fear?



1 Oh, won - drous im - age, vi - sion fair of
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in -
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by
 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and



glo - ry that the church may share, which Christ up - on the
 car - nate Lord holds con - verse high, and from the cloud, the
 deigns to man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be
 this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful
 Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one, we pray you, bring us



moun-tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
 Ho - ly One says, "This is my be - lov - ed Son."
 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
 song we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 by your grace to see your glo - ry face to face.

Text: Sarum, 15th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: DEO GRACIAS, English ballad, 15th cent.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children who want to come forward for the Children's Message at the front of the church are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

EXODUS 3:1-6, 13-15

¹Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." ⁴When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

¹³But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴**God said to Moses, " I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ' I AM has sent me to you.'"** ¹⁵God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Congregational refrain:

Pro - claim the great - ness of the LORD and wor - ship on God's
 ho - ly hill; for the LORD our God is the Ho - ly One. _____

¹The LORD is king, let the people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

²The LORD, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.

Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome; God is the Holy One.

Refrain:

³O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;

You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

⁴Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool;

God is the Holy One.

Refrain:

⁵Moses and Aaron among Your priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon Your name, O LORD;

they called upon You, and You answered them,

⁶You spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;

they kept Your testimonies and the decree that You gave them.

Refrain:

⁷O LORD our God, You answered them indeed;

You were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship on God's holy hill;

for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Refrain:

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SECOND LESSON

2 CORINTHIANS 3:12-4:2

In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

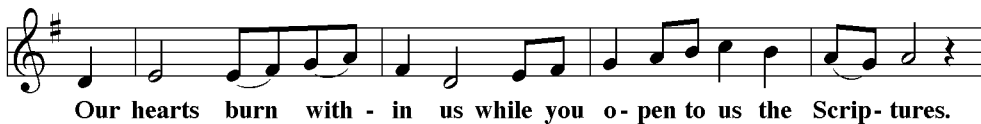
^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 1:1, Luke 24:32

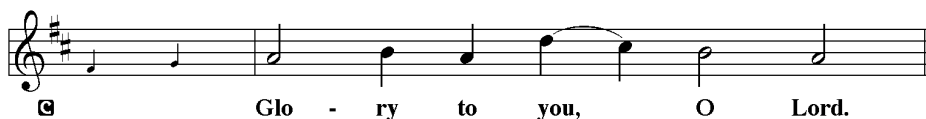


***GOSPEL**

LUKE 9:28-36

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

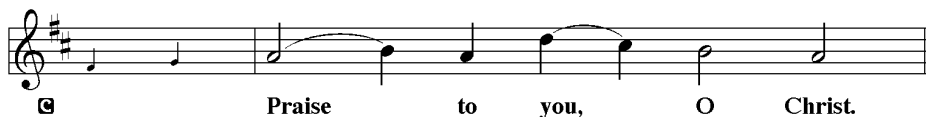
Response after the announcement:



The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"For Whom Do You Listen?"

On the Revelation of the I AM at the Burning Bush

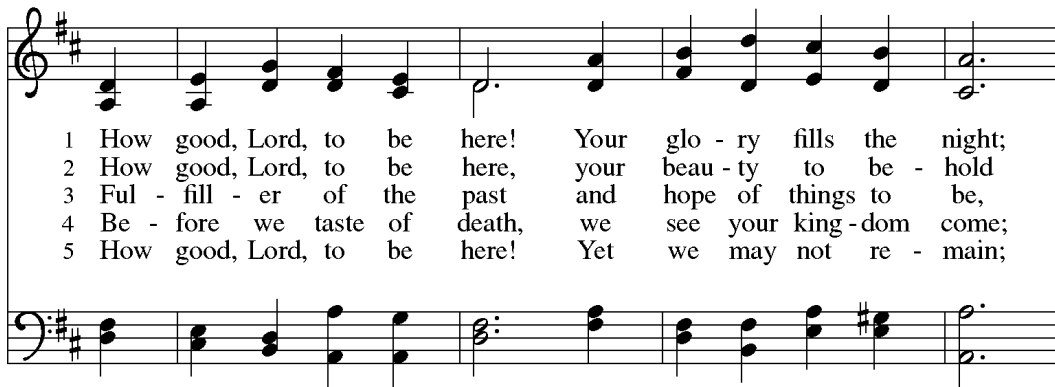
On the Revelation of the I AM on the Mount of Transfiguration

Listen

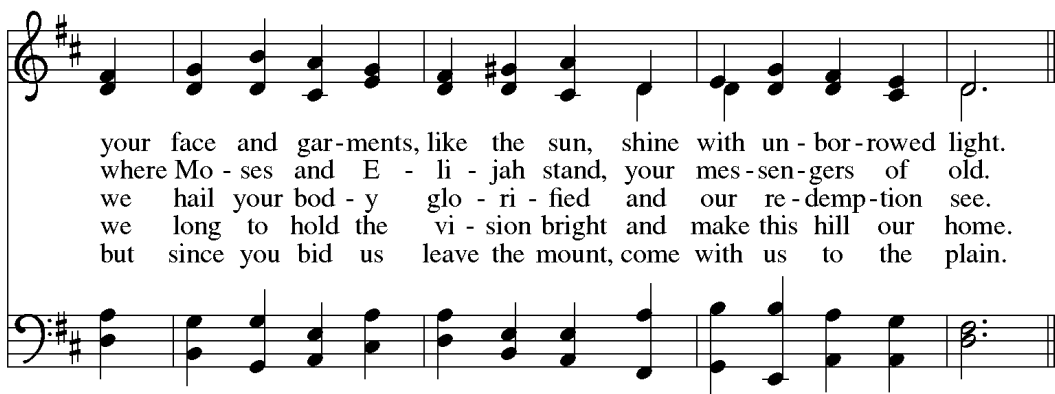
The Law is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: I do not listen to Jesus.

The Gospel is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Jesus reveals His glory and we receive the gift and opportunity to listen to Him day by day.

So What? Contemplate the nature of GOD: the I AM, God made flesh, and the epiphany of Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit. Listen to Jesus - His Word, His Spirit, His wisdom, His work in His Christian Church and in the hearts of us who believe in Him.



1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;
 2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold
 3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,
 4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;
 5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;



your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.
 where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.
 we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.
 we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.
 but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt.

Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, *The Church Psalter and Hymn Book*, 1854

***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.

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

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.

ANTHEM

“Dazzling Presence on the Mountain”

CHANCEL CHOIR

Paul E. Hoffman / Karen E. Black

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Dazzling presence on the mountain; human eye had never seen
such a wonder, such resplendence, heav’n and earth in cloud convene.
“This is my Son, the beloved.” Thund’rous voice from cloud exclaimed.
Word made flesh to heal creation, to disciples God proclaimed.

From this mount of mystic splendor to the cross Christ presses on;
here no Moses nor Elijah, only thieves Christ’s wings adorn.
“Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,” was one’s penitential sigh.
With transfiguring assurance, Christ rejoins his fervent cry.

From the heights of new creation, Christ beholds his world, redeemed;
as with Peter and companions, brings us now to sights unseen.
Justice, mercy, and compassion: these the booths he bids us build,
that the earth he loves may flourish as each life with grace is filled.

Let our praise ring from each mountain, into deepest valleys pour,
where, with lives of grateful service, we adore Christ evermore.
To the Son, God’s own beloved, and the Spirit endlessly,
may the church’s praise be lifted to the blessed Trinity.

PRAYER

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 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.**

SENDING

***THE BLESSING**

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Sylvia Fogle.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Kim Rundzieher
Organist.....	Lisa Burch
Music Director	Roger Myers
Music Director	Jeanette Myers
Acolyte.....	Cameron Bell
Crucifer	Bram Comer
Lector	Sylvia Fogle
Head Ushers.....	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman

<p>Ash Wednesday ~ March 2 7:00 pm Worship Service (Sanctuary) Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion</p>
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PARISH NEWS

Prayerful sympathy to Jimmie & Peggy Sloop on the death of their son Jimmie Jr. Notes of condolences can be sent to 214 Grand Palm Lane, Summerville, SC 29485.

Facemasks are recommended but not required during all indoor events and to spread out as much as possible during in-person worship with a 3-foot space between households.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

PINE NEEDLE SALE UPDATE: For over 20 years, in March, the Men of the Church have sponsored an annual pine needle sale. Proceeds from it have gone to support our scout troop, provide financial assistance for youth mission trips, donations toward our picnic shelter as well as the electronic sign. We have also used our proceeds to beautify our church grounds and many other ministries. We recently conducted a survey through our weekly church bulletins and monthly newsletter to assist us with the project. For those of you who responded, we very much appreciate your desire to help us. A summary of the responses indicated that there wouldn't be enough volunteers to help unload trailers as well as deliver to our customers for the two weekends in March. Another concern is the lingering Covid issues we are facing in our congregation. *Therefore, the Men of the Church have decided not to sell pine needles this year.* Over the next few months the Men of the Church will discuss other possible fund raisers that we could get involved in. Any suggestions from our membership would be most appreciated. Thanks again for your support over the years in both purchasing and helping with the pine needle sale.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE: From our worship survey in December, there was interest among us for a "little church" opportunity. Please join us each Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Chapel for a Simple Evening Prayer/Holy Communion service with a time for fellowship afterwards. *Note that during the Lenten season beginning March 2 Ash Wednesday, a more formal service will be offered using Holden Evening Prayer.* We hope you'll join us!

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY WITH THE BISHOP: Bishop Tim Smith will be leading an NC Synod-sponsored Bible study on the Gospel of Luke during Lent for five consecutive Thursdays, **beginning March 10** and concluding on April 7 from 7:00-8:15 p.m. (They will not meet the week of Ash Wednesday nor during Holy Week.) The online class will be taught via Zoom. If interested, please email Kim at churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org and she will forward the link to register. All are welcome!

WIND ENSEMBLE: The Wind Ensemble is starting back up beginning March 13 at 5:00pm. Any youth or adult with instrument experience is invited to join. Please plan on playing Easter Sunday, April 17.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Flay Anthony, BT Bradley, Todd Carpenter, Larry Collins, Renee Dockery, Tonya Dowdy, Kathy Finch, Henry Gaines, Ervin Hoffman, Henry Hoffman, Pr. Peter Homovich, Ann Marie Lentz, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bob Thornburg, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Victoria Garcia, Jimmy Helms, Jack Jeffries, Paula Kadel, Ernestine Kincaid, Robbie and Cathy Lewis, Frieda Moses, Lee Norris, Dakota Shuford, Luke Slessman, **family of Jimmie & Peggy Sloop**, Charlene Sorenson, Judi Truesdail, and **Claudia Zibell**

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491), Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493).

PRAYER ROSTER - Pray for one another. (*Ephesians 6:18*)

Sunday: Henry Hoffman

Thursday: Larry Hoover

Monday: Debra Hoffman

Friday: Mike & Elizabeth Park White

Tuesday: Pastor Peter Homovich

Saturday: Nathaniel Horde

Wednesday: Nancy Homovich

FEAST OF PSALMS: *Epiphany*

	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
AM	1, 8	36, 40	46, 47	61, 62	71, 72	87, 93	99, 100
PM	19, 27	41, 45	48, 50	66, 67	84, 86	96, 97	103, 135

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 09: February 27 to March 6, 2022

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

03/01 Morning Reading: Mark 7—Evening Reading: Numbers 20, 21, 22, 23

03/02 Morning Reading: Mark 8:1-21—Evening Reading: Numbers 24, 25, 26, 27

03/03 Morning Reading: Mark 8:22-38—Evening Reading: Numbers 28, 29, 30

03/04 Morning Reading: Mark 9:1-29—Evening Reading: Numbers 31, 32, 33

03/05 Morning Reading: Mark 9:30-50—Evening Reading: Numbers 34, 35, 36

03/06 Morning Reading: Mark 10:1-31—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 1, 2

Songs of Praise: “*Blest Are They*”

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“*Borning Cry*”

W&P #69

Wednesday, March 2 ~ Ash Wednesday - Imposition of Ashes & Holy Communion

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 ~ *“Tools for the Garden of our Soul”*

Sunday, March 6 ~ 1st Sunday in Lent - Holy Communion

Exodus 14:10-31, 15:20-21 and Luke 4:1-13 ~ *“Temptation”*

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022

Sun-27 9:00 am Luther Choir & Bible Study/Sunday School
10:00 am Worship
6:00 pm Chancel Choir
8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

Mon-28 8:30 am Preschool

Tues-01 8:30 am Preschool
10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday

Wed-02 8:30 am Preschool
5:45 pm Handbell Choir
7:00 pm **Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)**

Thur-03 8:30 am Preschool