

# ***LUTHERAN CHAPEL***



**GENESIS 37:12-35 AND LUKE 6:17-26**

*"Blessings and Woes"*

**HOLY COMMUNION  
6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
FEBRUARY 16, 2025**

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**LUTHERAN CHAPEL**  
**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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

**GATHER**

**WELCOME AND PRELUDE**

*“It is Well with My Soul”*

Philip P. Bliss

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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.**

\*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

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\*GLORY TO GOD

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\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE

All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

GENESIS 37:12-35

<sup>12</sup>Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. <sup>13</sup>And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." <sup>14</sup>So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, <sup>15</sup>and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" <sup>16</sup>"I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." <sup>17</sup>The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. <sup>18</sup>They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. <sup>19</sup>They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. <sup>20</sup>Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." <sup>21</sup>But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." <sup>22</sup>Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" — that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. <sup>23</sup>**So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; <sup>24</sup>and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.** <sup>25</sup>Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. <sup>26</sup>Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? <sup>27</sup>Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. <sup>28</sup>When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt. <sup>29</sup>When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes. <sup>30</sup>He

returned to his brothers, and said, "The boy is gone; and I, where can I turn?" <sup>31</sup>Then they took Joseph's robe, slaughtered a goat, and dipped the robe in the blood. <sup>32</sup>They had the long robe with sleeves taken to their father, and they said, "This we have found; see now whether it is your son's robe or not." <sup>33</sup>He recognized it, and said, "It is my son's robe! A wild animal has devoured him; Joseph is without doubt torn to pieces." <sup>34</sup>Then Jacob tore his garments, and put sackcloth on his loins, and mourned for his son many days. <sup>35</sup>All his sons and all his daughters sought to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted, and said, "No, I shall go down to Sheol to my son, mourning." Thus his father bewailed him.

L: The Word of the Lord.

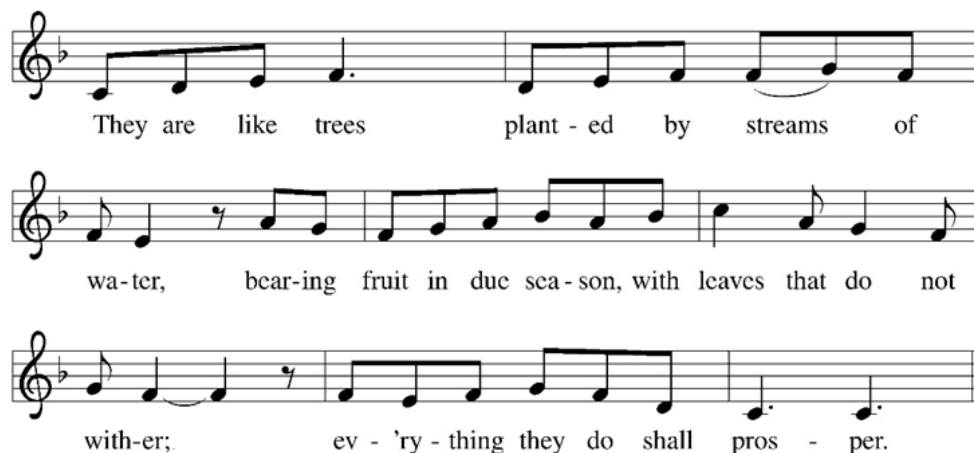
C: Thanks be to God.

### STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. The memory verse is in bold.

*Creation: Fall : **Promise** : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: + Kings and Prophets : Exile :  
Restoration : 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple : JESUS : +Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

### PSALM 1



They are like trees plant - ed by streams of  
wa-ter, bear-ing fruit in due sea-son, with leaves that do not  
with-er; ev - 'ry - thing they do shall pros - per.

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Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!  
Their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

#### **Refrain**

They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season with leaves that do not wither; Everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked;  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.  
Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.  
For the Lord know the way, the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

#### **Refrain**

## SECOND LESSON

## 1 CORINTHIANS 15:12-20

<sup>12</sup> Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup> If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; <sup>14</sup> and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. <sup>15</sup> We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. <sup>16</sup> For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. <sup>17</sup> If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup> Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup> If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*John 6:68*

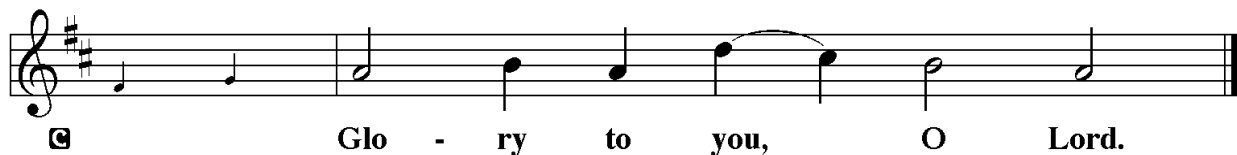
C: **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

### \*GOSPEL

**LUKE 6:17-26**

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

Response after the announcement:



<sup>17</sup> [Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>18</sup> They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup> And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

<sup>20</sup> Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup> “Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup> “Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

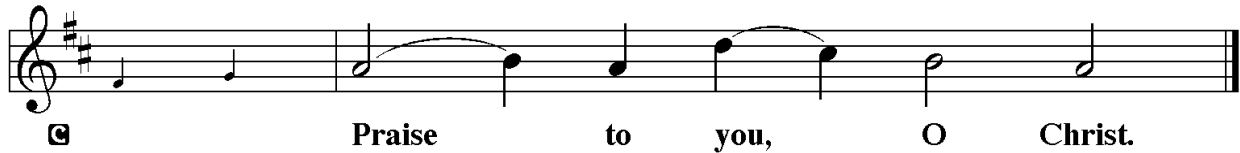
<sup>24</sup> “But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> “Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



**MESSAGE**

*“Blessing and Woes”*

**Twelve Sons of Israel  
Epiphanies - Teaching on the Plain**

*The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: Do I trust in the LORD or the vanities of this world?*

*The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: To trust in the LORD, living on account of the Son of Man, will ultimately be blessed now and forever.*

*So What?:* Can brothers get along? Life is not fair. Yet can one forgive? Watch what you let in the awareness of your heart. Choose to rejoice in the blessings God gives day by day.

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Jesus, the Very Thought of You”*

**ELW #754**

**\*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*

AM: 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.*

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## \*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

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

**C: And also with you.**

## THE MEAL

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

### MUSICAL OFFERING

*"Praise the One Who Makes Us One"*

Tom Trenney

### \*OFFERTORY

*"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

*Psalms 51:10-12*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

### \*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

*(In Unison)*

**C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

P. The Lord be with you.

**C. And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**C. We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### \*PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

### \*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 away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**\*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). You may request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard it in the trashcan.*

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

*“Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup”  
“Let Us Break Bread Together”*

**ELW #492  
ELW #471**

**SENDING**

**\*THE BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

**\*SONG OF SIMEON**

*Luke 2:29-32*

**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people:  
A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.  
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.**

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

AM: Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.



**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*“This Little Light of Mine”*

**ELW #677**

**\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*“Come, Christian, Join to Sing”*

Mark Hayes



**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in thanks for our wonderful church community at Lutheran Chapel.

**THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY**

- Ministers.....People of Lutheran Chapel
- Pastor.....Michael Comer
- Administrative Assistant.....Susan Hibschi
- Director of Music Ministries.....Kathie Riebe
- Choir Accompanist.....Anna Gilreath
- Assistant Minister.....Sylvia Fogel
- Acolyte.....Elena Hoffman
- Lector.....Amy Brown
- Crucifer.....Jordan Hoffman
- Head Ushers.....Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
- First Aid/AED/CPR.....Perry Linkous
- Council Members of the Month.....Perry Linkous and Seth Myers

# Upcoming EVENTS

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** 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 attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

**TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE:** This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



**LOVE OFFERING FOR FEBRUARY:** The love offering for February will go to the **Backpack Weekend Food Program**. For the past 13 years Lutheran Chapel Church along with other partners have helped the BWFP provide more than 2 million meals to needy students in Gaston County. Recent studies indicate nearly 31 percent of children in Gaston County live in low-income households with nearly 16 percent of children in our county living in households without a reliable source of food to eat. At the present we at Lutheran Chapel are providing food for 10 children at Robinson Elementary and 3 children at Hawks Nest. We supply this food for \$341 per child per school year. Please consider a gift to the February Love Offering so that we can continue to provide food for these children.

**OWLS:** Our next *OWL-standing* time of fellowship will be held at Dino’s Bessemer City on **Thursday, February 20** at 11:00 am.

**WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE:** Will meet on **Thursday, February 20** at 5:30 pm.

**CLOTHING GIVEAWAY:** The next clothing giveaway will be on **Saturday, February 22** from 9 am-12 pm. This will be the last winter giveaway.

**SHROVE TUESDAY:** The Men of the Church will be sponsoring a pancake supper on **Tuesday, March 4** at the Family Life Center beginning at 6 pm. This supper will be held in conjunction with Shrove Tuesday. Pastor Comer will have a brief presentation explaining the origin of Shrove Tuesday and its meaning.

**GASTONIA LIONS CLUB:** There will be a donation box beside the CAM box for used, no longer needed eyeglasses, hearing aids, and cell phones. Thank you!

**CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES:** Please remember that we will continue to collect food for the Crisis Assistance Ministry throughout the year. You may place food in the blue collection box in the hallway near our fellowship hall and in the CAM basket in the narthex of the sanctuary. The Social Ministry team will deliver to CAM when the box is full – so keep us busy! Thank you so much!

**CONCORDIA CHOIR:** The world-renowned Concordia Choir of Moorhead, Minnesota, under the direction of Dr. Michael Culloton, will perform in Charlotte at First United Methodist Church on Sunday, **March 2** at 4 p.m. and in Spartanburg at First Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, **March 4** at 7 p.m. From the music of J.S. Bach to familiar hymn arrangements, The Concordia Choir will amaze you with their technical mastery and incredible sound. Visit [ConcordiaTickets.com](http://ConcordiaTickets.com) for more information.

# Weekly CALENDAR

<b>Sunday, February 16</b>	8:30 am	Fellowship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Executive Council Meeting (Conference Room)</b>
	11:30 am	Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Monday, February 17</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
<b>Tuesday, February 18</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
	5:30 pm	Chapel Ringers (Sanctuary)
<b>Wednesday, February 19</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	7:00 pm	Vespers (Chapel)
<b>Thursday, February 20</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	11:00 am	Bible Study (Library)
	11:00 am	<b>Owls (Dino's Bessemer City)</b>
	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Worship and Music (Conference Room)</b>
<b>Friday, February 21</b>	9:00 am	Men's Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Saturday, February 22</b>	9:30 am	Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)
	<b>9 am-12 pm</b>	<b>Clothing Closet Giveaway</b>

# Let's **PRAY**



**DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!:** Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1 55:17*). *May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.*

## **THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 7 February 16 to February 23, 2025**

02/16 Morning Reading: Matthew 27:51-66—Evening Reading: Leviticus 19, 20

02/17 Morning Reading: Matthew 28—Evening Reading: Leviticus 21, 22

02/18 Morning Reading: Mark 1:1-22—Evening Reading: Leviticus 23, 24

02/19 Morning Reading: Mark 1:23-45—Evening Reading: Leviticus 25

02/20 Morning Reading: Mark 2—Evening Reading: Leviticus 26, 27

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

**This QR** code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.



**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Braylon Beam, Ron Behringer, Steve Bell, Pauline Bradley, Shirley Bradley, Buddy Carothers, Miles Carpenter, Kathy Finch, Baker Hampton, Nancy Homovich, Barbara Peacock, Trish Ratchford, Doug Rhyne, Kay Robinson, Pat & **Barbara Robinson, Joe Veale**, and Gene & **Myra Weaver**.

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** John Austin, Kyle Banes, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Peggy Button, Jeff Cobb, Zandra Chavis, Doris Coggins, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, Jerry Green, **Jennifer Hart, Kirk Jordan**, Sherry McCart, Bobby Myers, Rita Pasour, Parks Peak, Bill Riddle, Morgan Rosser, **family and friends of Fred Sanders**, Dorothy Slessman, “Spike” Stevens, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Becky Van Dyke, Jimmy Watlington, and recovery in the North Carolina mountains.

*To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439)*

## **NEXT WEEK’S LESSONS**

**Wednesday, February 19 ~ Evening Prayer Service**

Psalm 58 “*A Reward for the Righteous*”

**Thursday, February 20 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study**

Genesis 37:12-35 “*Blessing and Woes*”

**Sunday, February 23 ~ Antecommunion**

Genesis 50:15-20 and Luke 6:27-38 “*Doing Mercy*”

# Jesus Shall Reign

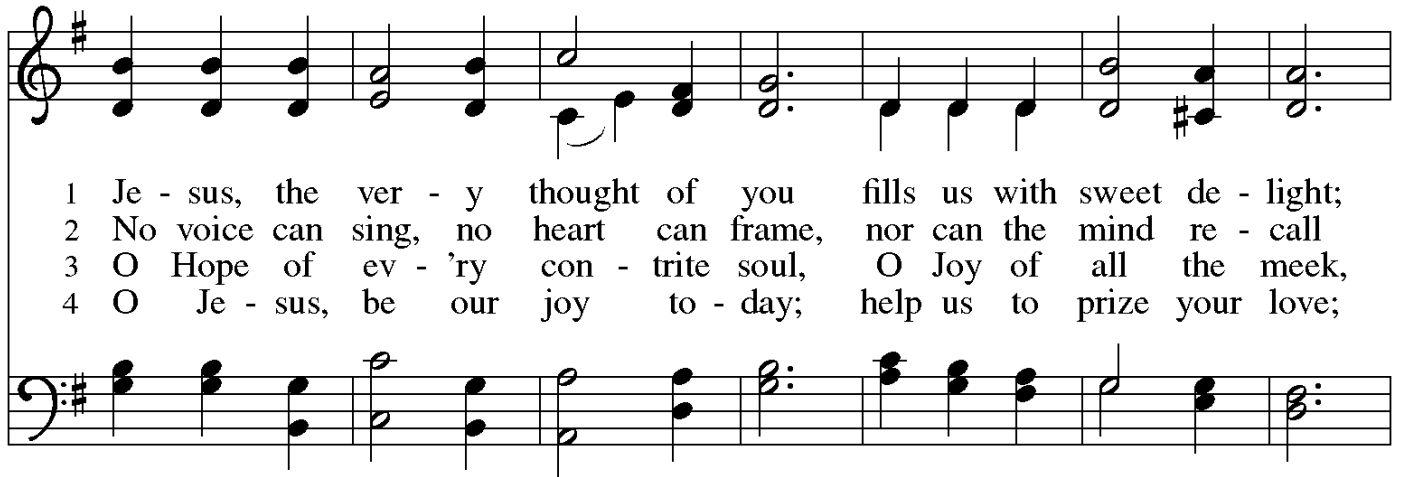
1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners  
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -  
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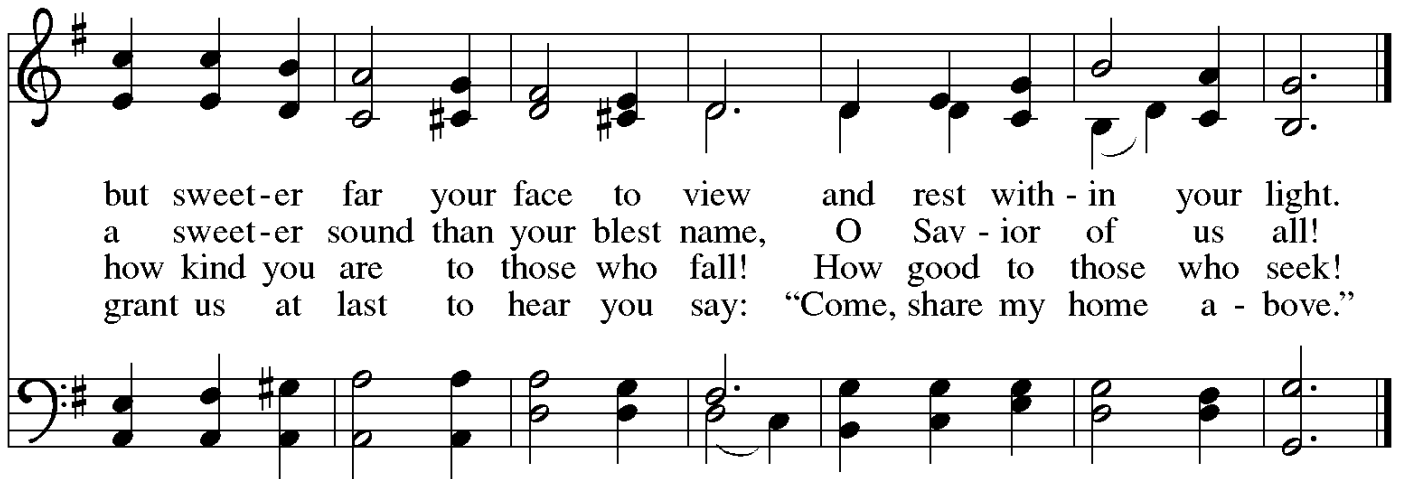
shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

# Jesus, the Very Thought of You



1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;  
2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call  
3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,  
4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;



but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.  
a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!  
how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!  
grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878  
Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

# Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

*Refrain*



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - dant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.

*Refrain*



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!  
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.  
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.  
Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34

Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young

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# Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are arranged in three lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part.

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are arranged in three lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part.

*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

The Refrain section begins with a treble and bass staff. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are arranged in one line.

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

The final system of music concludes the piece. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are arranged in one line.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual



# This Little Light of Mine

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
 2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
 3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer, b. 1935  
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