

BILL TIMM, PASTOR MINISTERS: ALL OF OUR PEOPLE CHURCH PHONE: 928-342-6002

MISSION STATEMENT

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024 4:00 P.M. SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024 7:45 & 9:30 A.M.

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith. As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God". However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

<u>VISITORS.</u> Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. Pastor Timm would love to meet you!

PLEASE REMEMBER... to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. Pastor and Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

DID YOU KNOW.. Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

LITTLE FOLKS.. Parents... please remember that there are 'busy bags' hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

<u>BE COMFORTABLE.</u> There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

Hearing Devices: The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

FLOWERS for the altar today are given by Char Schomisch in celebration of the twins 13th birthday.

PRAYERS: Mary Marsh, Rod Rowland, Dave Graham, Becky Scheller, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller), Angela Butler (daughter of David Donaldson/sister of Michelle Cegon), Henry Carey, JoAnn Munson, Mason Fletcher, Dave Hofslien, Jerry & Lissi Grill, Iva Pennell(Paul Ehler's Sister)

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Traditional version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of February. God blesses our prayers.

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- P God Is Good!
- C All the time
- P All the time
- C God Is Good!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, 🕂 one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.
- C Amen.
- P We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

- P Guiding God,
- C we have failed to follow you as we ought. We have not reached out to our neighbors with the selfless and sacrificial love you modeled for us. We have caused harm to others and your creation by our actions and by our unwillingness to act. Forgive us our sins and lead us back onto the path you have trod for the sake of others.
- P In Christ, God meets us where we are and as we are and for his sake, God makes us whole and holy. Go forth to follow Jesus in the knowledge that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



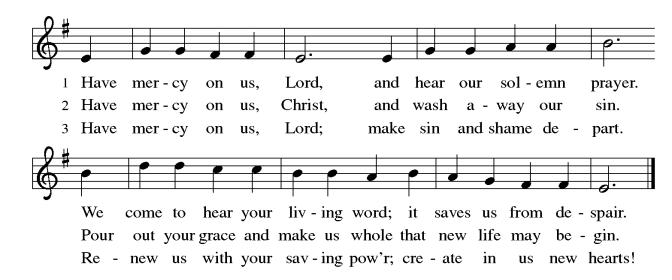
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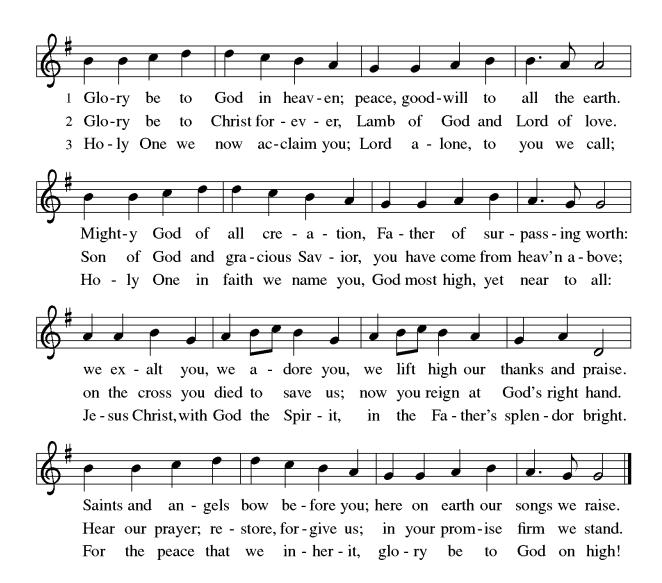
GREETING

- 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.

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SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY together we pray:

Holy God, you speak to us and guide our ways through your word. Inspire us by the Holy Spirit to dig deep and be transformed by the love, grace, power, and wisdom we find in your scriptures, that we might, as changed people, carry forth your vision of peace and justice into our community and the world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you
- C And also with you

WORSHIP CAROL

SOLO (4:00) "Old Rugged Cross" Eric Werner Congregation join in the Refrain: "So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown"

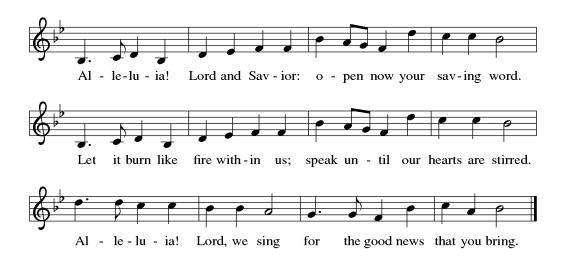
BELLS OF GLORY (9:30) "Adoro te devote"

PSALM 19

- R ¹The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament^[a] proclaims his handiwork.
 - C ² Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.
 - R ³There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;
 - C ⁴ yet their voice^[b] goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens^[c] he has set a tent for the sun,
 - R ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
 - C ⁶ Its rising is from the end of the heavens and its circuit to the end of them, and nothing is hid from its heat.
 - R ⁷The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;
 - C ⁸ the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;
- R ⁹ the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- C ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.
- R ¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.
- C ¹² But who can detect one's own errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

- R ¹³ Keep back your servant also from the insolent;^[d] do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless and innocent of great transgression.
- C ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Mark 10:17-31

¹⁷ As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸ Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.' "²⁰ He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money^[a] to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²² When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. ²³ Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is^[b] to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶ They were greatly astounded and said to one another, ^[c] "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸ Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹ Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for my sake and for the sake of the good news^{[d] 30} who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

- P The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING

Pastor Andrew Schlect



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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven. and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P As we walk together through this season of contemplation and preparation, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

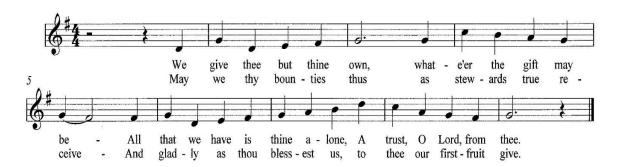
- P Merciful God, we cannot by our own power choose to follow you as you would like. Keep us from becoming discouraged, and remind us that with you all things are possible. God of the journey,
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.
- P Fill us with awe at the astonishing beauty of your creation, entrusted to us from the beginning, and give us a passion for its stewardship according to your will. God of the journey.
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

- C We pray for each of our mission congregations, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision and call process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values while we support the call committee in moving toward a pastoral transition. We also pray for that pastor whom God calls to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."
- P Inspire all who lead at every level to work tirelessly for the health and flourishing of all your beloved children, near and far. God of the journey,
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.

- **P** Guide doctors and caregivers in their service to those who struggle physically, emotionally, and spiritually, and send your healing power to all in need, especially those we remember in our hearts. God of the journey,
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.
- P Help us to recognize our wealth and the ways it gets in the way of our following you, and give us greater trust in you to provide for our true needs. God of the journey
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.
- P We give thanks for all the saints in our lives and throughout history who followed your commandments and give sacrificially for the good of the church, the community, and the world. God of the journey;
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.
- P Confident that you walk alongside us in our need, we lift to you all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, through Jesus Christ our savior.
- C Amen.

THE OFFERING (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both in person giving as well and online giving.)

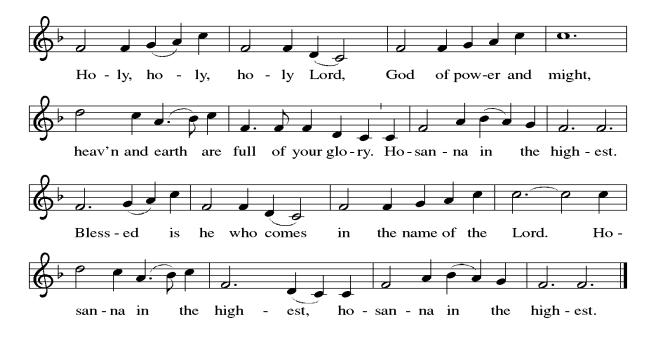


We Give Thee but Thine Own

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **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.

CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE



P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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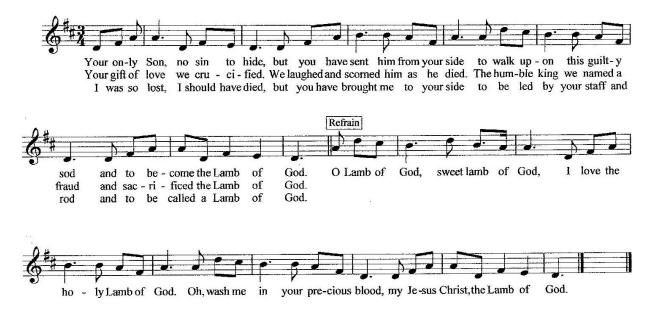
Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice. Those who do not commune and children may come forward for a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest to request a blessing. Simply complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

Lamb of God Your Only Son





Music: Thomas Tallis, 1505-1585

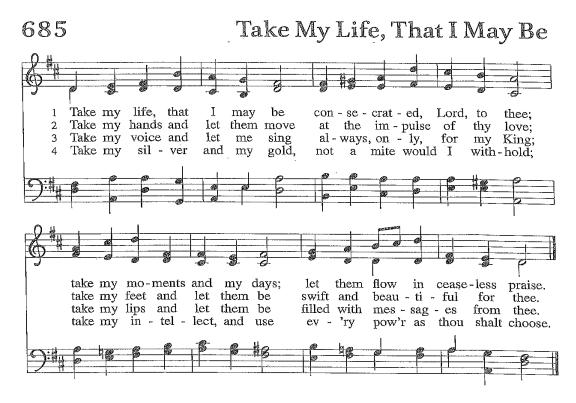
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Music: William H. Doane, 1832-1915

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5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: Robert Schumann, 1810–1856

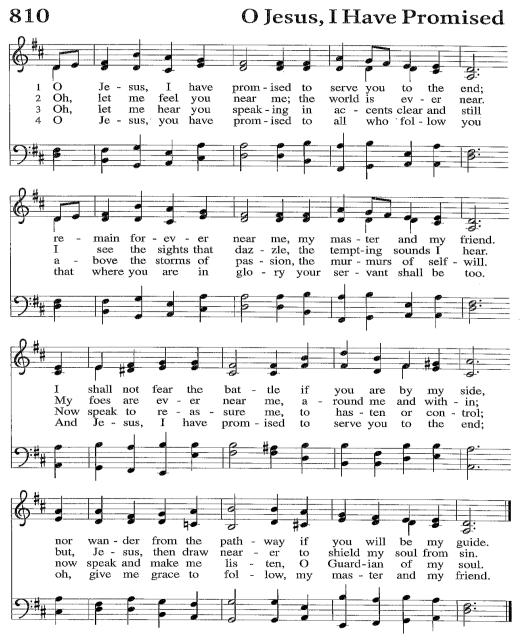
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POST COMMUNION BLESSING (please stand)

- P The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt. Music: Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693

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- P Almighty God has created you and has a purpose for your life every day! Lord, Help us remember, IF YOU ARE NOT DEAD...
- C YOU ARE NOT DONE!
- P Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the Holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.
- C Amen.

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Christ is sending you.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Announcements

Thank You: to Pastor Schlect for bringing us the message today.

Ash Wednesday: "YOU MEANT IT FOR EVIL, BUT GOD MEANT IT FOR GOOD!"

All are invited to come for a wonderful Lenten series based on the gospel of Luke 22 and 23! Gifted lay members including Jerry Randby, Char Schomisch, Roger Tracey, Judy Zeiss, Randy Zieman, and Shirley Ehler will bring these texts to life for you! **Soup & bread suppers will begin on Wednesday, February 28th!** Come, fellowship, worship, learn, enjoy!

<u>"GO SEE"</u> Tour to Amberly's Place is scheduled for Wednesday, February 28. They can only accommodate 10-15 persons so if you're interested, place the sign up slip in the offering plate. We will meet in the church parking lot at 9 am and carpool.

<u>Yard Sale –</u>Drop-off will only be accepted on Tuesday, February 20th & Wednesday, February 21st. The sale will be Friday, February 23 from 8-2pm & Saturday, February 24 from 8-Noon, with cleanup following the end of the sale. *Michelle Cegon*

Amberley's Place: On March 2 and 3, please once again, we are asking for generosity to help support Amberley's Place. Disposable diapers, sizes 5 and 6: (A couple young mothers at WalMart told me Parents Choice, Luvs and Huggies are their preference and WalMart prices are best). That is all I know about diapers. Also needed is shampoo, conditioner, deodorant and toothpaste. Normal family sizes, please. Any brand you prefer. Thank you very much for your generosity. If you have any questions, please call Gary Raasch, 717.715.4009...I will answer your questions and/or messages. Simply bring those items to worship on those dates...I will be there to collect them. Thank You again!!!

Are You a Thrivent Member? If so, you have a choice about how you can direct your allocated 'Choice Dollars". Simply follow the instructions below to make your selection, *We ask that you prayerfully consider choosing Gloria de Cristo to designate your dollars to.* Choice dollars designated during the calendar year can be directed until March 31st. So, visit thrient,com/thriventchoice. Click log in at the top right of your screen and enter your thrivent user ISD and password. If you do not have one, click *Register Now*. Look for your designated choice dollars amount on the right side of the screen. Click on the *direct choice dollars* button, enter *Gloria de Cristo' in the box*. *Click the direct now button, then enter your designate amount*. *OR you can designate by calling 800-847-4836 and when*

prompted, say 'Thrivent Choice'. Press 1 to direct choice dollars and a representative will assist you.

Stephen Ministry: An important theme of the Lenten season is the humanity of Christ. In Jesus, God became human and fully experienced the wide range of emotions we all encounter in life. Jesus experienced times of loneliness, sadness, hurt, anger disappointment, grief, and abandonment. That is part of being human. Another part of being human is needing help from each other. God never intended us to be completely self-sufficient. Part of God's plan is for each of us to turn to others for help when we need it. So when you are experiencing difficult times, don't struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers will walk with you, listen to you, encourage you, pray with you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through tough times. Stephen Ministers can bring the love of Jesus back into your life. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, talk to one of our leaders: Pastor Timm, Michelle Cegon, Jim or Sherri Wehrer. **Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!!**

REMINDERS:

<u>Caregivers Support Group:</u> Every Friday, 11:00 am. Contact Sandy Timm for more information @ 916-606-8068.

<u>Bible Study</u>: Every Monday at 12:30 or 3:00 pm at Pastor's home (7649 E. 25th Street). Tuesday's @ 10 am via Zoom (contact the office for the link to join in)

Genesis Bible Study: Every Thursday afternoon, 4:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

<u>Chair balancing/stretching</u>: Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 or 2:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$3/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

Monthly Potluck: The 1st Sunday is our monthly Potluck following the 9:30

am worship. Mark your calendar, bring your favorite dish to share and join us for fellowship and food.

Food Pantry: 1st Sunday of each month we collect food for the local Food Pantry. When doing your shopping consider picking up a couple of items to bring and donate.

<u>Men's Breakfast</u> the 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at Daybreakers. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

Days for Girls: check the calendar for the next date. Come join us for the fellowship and fun.

Flower Calendar: The 2024 Flower Calendar is now on the wall in the Narthex for anyone who would like to purchase the altar flowers. Cost is \$25.00 for 1 vase and \$50.00 for both vases. Envelopes for your money can be found on the shelf beneath the calendar. You may then take the flowers home to enjoy following the 9:30 service on Sunday.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Time	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Communion	Readers
2/17	4:00 pm	Char	Bob & Judy Zeiss	Marge Jones./Sharon Noltemeyer	Judy Zeiss
2/18	7:45 am	Nancy	John/Sharon Merz	Larry Unger/Sharon Powell	Nancy Griffiths
	9:30 am	Niki	Linda Strand/ Donna Watkins	Lauren/Janice Erickson	Jim Bryant
2/21	6:00 pm		Jerry Taylor/ Diane Lee	Char/Joanne Ausing	
2/24	4:00 pm	Char	Doreen Caldwell	Jerry Taylor/.Diane Lee	Jerry Taylor
2/25	/25 7:45 am Char		Brenda Taylor/ Yvonne Wurtele	Elaine Hofslien Mike Gustafson	Mike Gustafson
	9:30 am	Michelle	Dave/Lynda Steinman	Jim/Linda Bryant	Jim Wehrer
2/28	6:00 pm		Char/Joanne Ausing	Jerry Taylor/D. Lee	
3/2	4:00 pm	Joanne	Bob/Judy Zeiss	Dyanne Radke/Chris Doreen Caldwell Brown	
3/3	7:45 am	Nancy	Mary Marsh/ Sharon Powell	Dave/Nancy Griffiths	Mary Marsh
	9:30 am	Cheryl	Rick/Barbara Sherwood	Chris Randby/Sandy Timm	Sandy Weidling

<u>Attendance February 10/11</u> 78 @ 4 pm, 55 @ 7:45 am, 157 @ 9:30 am Total= 290

14 views on You Tube, 145 view on Facebook Total = 159

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 2/19	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Monday 2/19	10:00 am	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom
Monday 2/19	12:30 & 3 pm	Bible Study	Pastor's home
Tuesday 2/20	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 2/20	10:00 am	Zoom Bible Study	Your home
Tuesday 2/20	9:00 pm	Set up for Yard Sale	
Wednesday 2/21	9:30 am	Stephen Ministry Training	Nursery
Wednesday 2/21	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wednesday 2/21	6:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship Service	Sanctuary
Wednesday 2/21	7:00 pm	Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday 2/22	7:00 am	Yard Sale Set Up	
Friday 2/23	8:00am	YARD SALE	
Saturday 2/24	8:00 am	YARD SALE	
Saturday 2/24	6:00 pm	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 2/25	7:45 & 9:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 2/25	10:30 am	New Member Class	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 2/25	12:00 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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