

HymnsGathering—*The Glory of These Forty Days* ELW 320Hymn of the Day—*Oh, Love, How Deep* ELW 322Sending—*Jesus, Still Lead On* ELW 624**First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

^{3:1} Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’ ” ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die, ⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Psalm: Psalm 32

¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

² **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

⁴ **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶ **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

⁷ You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸ **“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.**

⁹ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.”

¹⁰ **Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹ Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

¹² Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned ¹³ for sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴ Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin in the likeness of Adam, who is a pattern of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶ And the gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷ If, because of the one man's trespass, death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹ For just as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so through the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

¹ Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. ² He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

⁴ But he answered, "It is written: 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.' "

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, He will command his angels concerning you, and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' "

⁷ Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' "

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, ⁹ and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.' "

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

SERVERS		<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
<i>Greeters</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Gail Marcum</i>
<i>Lector</i>	....	<i>Beverly Nivens</i>	<i>Bill Aull</i>
<i>Worship</i>	....	<i>Beverly Nivens</i>	<i>Gail Marcum</i>
		<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>MARCH</u>
<i>Ushers</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Wayne Lybrand</i>
		<i>Steve Nivens</i>	<i>Mark Satterwhite</i>
<i>Tellers</i>	....	<i>Pam Hanfland &</i>	<i>Beth Cleland &</i>
		<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Sandra Hughes</i>
<i>Offering Pickup</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Wayne Lybrand</i>
<i>Property</i>	....	<i>Steve Nivens</i>	<i>Bill Aull</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum &</i>	<i>David & Linda Griffith</i>
		<i>Marie Lybrand</i>	

OFFERING	Last Sunday	Total for February
General	\$ 770.00	\$20,565.00
Online General	\$ 486.88	\$ 2,196.26
Total	\$ 1,256.88	\$22,761.26
Building Maint. & Prop. Imp.	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,020.00
Online BMPI	\$ 169.13	\$ 302.39
Total	\$ 169.13	\$ 1,322.39

LENT & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

+ **February 25**, following community lunch: Weekday Lenten service in Chapel.

+ **March 4**, noon: Weekday Lenten service in Chapel.

+ **March 11**, noon: Weekday Lenten service in Chapel.

+ **March 18**, noon: Weekday Lenten service in Chapel.

+ **March 25**, following community lunch: Weekday Lenten service in Chapel.

+ **March 29**, Palm Sunday. Procession with palms prior to service.

+ **April 2**, 5pm: Maundy Thursday

+ **April 3**, 5pm: Good Friday service.

+ **April 5**, Easter Day:

Flowering of the Cross at 10am

Communion service at 10:30am.

There will be no Sunday School.

Eggstravaganza will be on Saturday, March 28, 2026, 10-11:30 am at OSLC. There will be activities for children ages 2-10. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or let the church office know before March 25th the number and ages of children who will be attending. Please donate prepacked candy for this event. There is a basket in the narthex for your donation.

Available for Pick-up in the Narthex: Easter Lily Order Forms
Extravaganza Flyer

Grapevine Deadline: Monday, February 23, 9:00 am.

<i>Sunday</i> <i>(Feb 22)</i>	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Choir Practice
	10:15 am	Youth Sunday School
	10:30 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	12:00 pm	Community Lunch
	1 pm	Weekday Lenten Service (Chapel)
<i>Sunday</i> <i>(March 1)</i>	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Choir Practice
	10:15 am	Youth Sunday School
	10:30 am	Holy Communion
	11:45 am	Executive Committee Meeting

Those on our **Prayer list** below have special prayer needs at this time. We keep the entire congregation in our prayers at all times, but sometimes special prayers are needed. If your name is on the list or you have added someone's name and they no longer need to be on the list, please contact the church office so the name can be removed. Names on the prayer list are left on for two months, but may be extended upon request.

Melanie Amick
Gary Black
Greg Chapman
Jeannie Chapman
Katie Doble
Dolores Hopkins
Don Horton

Anne Moyer
Steve Rucker
Herman & Elizabeth Shealy
Marie Shealy (National Health Care)