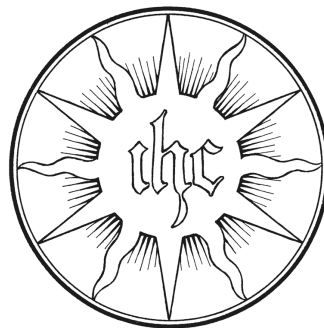


+ The Transfiguration of Our Lord +

Mar 2, Year of our Lord 2025 | DS1

+ Confession and Absolution +

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.



Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Introit

Psalm 84:1–2, 9, 11; antiphon: v. 4



[P] Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,*
ever sing- | ing your praise!

How lovely is your | dwelling place,*
O | LORD of hosts!

[C] My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD;*
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the | living God.

Behold our shield, | O God;*
look on the face of your a- | nointed!

For the LORD God is a | sun and shield;*
the LORD bestows favor and | honor.

No good thing does | he withhold
from those who walk up- | rightly.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,*
ever sing- | ing your praise!

How lovely is your | dwelling place,*
O | LORD of hosts!

Kyrie ~ Lord, Have Mercy, (hymnal p. 152 for music)

Mark 10:47

[A] (sung) In peace let us pray to the Lord.



[C] Lord, have mer - cy.

[A] For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



[C] Lord, have mer - cy.

[A] For the peace of the whole world, ...Church of God, and ...unity... let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis ~ (hymnal p. 154 for music)

Luke 2:14, John 1:29

A (sung) Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray. O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 34:1–12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, ‘I will give it to your offspring.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.” So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalms 117:1–2a; 96:8

C Praise the LORD, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!
For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Epistle

Hebrews 3:1–6

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God’s house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God’s house as a servant, to testify to the things that

were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Verse of the Day

Psalm 45:2a

P Alleluia. You are the most handsome of the sons of men; grace is poured upon your lips. Alleluia.

Alleluia and Verse

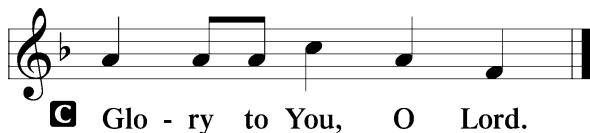
John 6:68



Holy Gospel

Luke 9:28–36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.



Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my

Chosen One; listen to him!” And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: 413 O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair



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

Of glo - ry that the Church may share,
 The in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;
 Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
 By this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,
 And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one,

Which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
 And from the cloud the Ho - ly One
 What glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
 For which in joy - ful strains we raise
 We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace

Where bright - er than the sun He glows!
 Bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.
 Who joy in God with per - fect love.
 The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 To see Thy glo - ry face to face.

Text: Sarum Breviary, 1495, Salisbury; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.
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+ Sermon +

My Chosen One

Offertory

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19

☐ (sung) What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Offering

Installation of new Officers, Board, and Committee members (terms begin March 1).

+ Prayer +

Following the offering, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

World: For the families of the Reagan Airport **plane and helicopter collision**. For **LA fires** (damage victims). **Hurricanes Milton and Helene flood relief** and recovery in the Southeast. For **Camp Linn Haven** (North Carolina) flood cleanout and reconstruction. For God to cease the wars between modern-day **Israel** and the **Hamas** and the conflict between **Ukraine** and **Russia**.

Vocation: For our singles, parents, grandparents, and families. For **Elijah & Faith Miessler** expecting! For **Sam & Kate Bohnet** expecting (in August)! For **Turner and Mandy Gough** who were married on 12/30. For **Joshua Arguien** and **Adelaide Yoder** upcoming blessing of their marriage on 4/12. For **veterans and our military** (including **Carter Felt, Casey Lawson, Tyler Smith** and **William Smolter**). For **those serving in hospitals and homeless shelters**. For **teachers** in our community schools. For our circuit's seminary students: **Aaron Wade, Sam Bohnet, Vicar Daniel Bueckman**, and **Vicar Alex Ogden**. For **children and families** dealing with difficult situations due to drugs, alcohol, violence, abuse, stress, and strife. Birth of **Hudson Hamby**, born 12/12 (Great-grandson of Becky Hamby). **David Chorney** (and for Kenna) as he accepted a new position as Deputy Director of Air Force Weather at the Pentagon, beginning in March.

Loss and Mourning: For the family of **Louise Kropp** (Jerry Kropp's mother) who recently 2/20. For the Family of **Sharon Yoder** who entered the Church Triumphant on 2/10. For the family of **Darrel Wehmeier** (Deb Wales's brother) who recently 2/15. For Family of **Marty Smith** (Tyler and Megan Smith's father[-in-law]) who passed 2/3. For the family of **Alan Morton** (John Johnson's cousin) who passed away on 2/2. For the family of **Brian** (56 yr. old son of Fred & Faye Hansen) who passed away in Texas in his sleep. For the family **Dana Husky** (niece of Ed & Sandy Bagley) who passed away 1/20. For the family of **Peggy Gullickson** (Tom Wittkopp's sister in Spokane, WA). For the family of **Nancy Vesper** (Jim's mother) who passed away 9/9. Family of **Brad Barnett** (Phil & Carol's son) who passed away and whose memorial service was 9/3. For many remembering loved ones who passed away.

Health: For **Tom Wittkopp** recovering from knee surgery on 2/24. For **Linda Davida** thanksgiving for and recovery from aortic valve replacement on 2/25. For **Chuck Pettyjohn** for lung health (awaiting test results). For **Pastor John Schultz** at Knoxville Rehabilitation, for health after hospitalization. For **Kim Smolter** health. For **Gail Rieman** (Kenna Chorney's mom) upcoming cancer treatments. For **Fred Hansen** upcoming aortic valve replacement. For **Kris Smith** upcoming aortic valve replacement. For **Neil Gulas** recovering from open-heart surgery (Suzanne Nunnink's father). For **Emma Lu Kerekes** health and hospice care (in Oak Ridge). For **Gary Kubin** hip surgery rehab (now home). **Ted Frazier** recovery of strength after hospitalizations. For **Linda McMichael** (upcoming knee surgery). For **Tom Wade** (Will Wade's brother) recovering from surgery. For **Nadine Wittkopp** recovering from stomach surgery. **Pastor Kent Dockery** knee surgery recovery. For **Sandy Bagley** knee pain and stroke recovery. For **Ed & Barbara McGillick** health, pain and dizziness management. For **Haley Jenkins** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's niece) esophageal issues. For Katie Felt's uncle, **Tim** in Florida, final months. For **Don Hammond** heart a-fib (Joan Large's son). For **Rachel Ernst** upcoming rescheduled surgery. For **Bill Frazho** (Paul Ruble's brother-in-law) lung and overall health. For **Steve Pierce's** health (uncle of Seth and Tina Pierce). For **Bill** undergoing chemo for cancer (friend of Seth and Tina Pierce). For **Ron Williams** (back at Foothills) and for his wife Pamela. For **Barbara Moyers** recovery from back surgery (now home). For **Carole Vitzthum** (and taking care of her). For **Garrison** with ALS (student of Amy Mohr's daughter, Coleen Williams). For **Marie Guinn** (Jennifer Kropp's mother) turning 90 and recently diagnosed cancer. For **Mary** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's daughter) health. For **June Latham** (Phyllis Bembas' sister) stroke and vision recovery. For **Fred Goddard** (nephew of Mary Ellen Brown) lung cancer treatment. For **Steve Greene** (friend of Jim Vesper) dealing with multiple cancers. For Andrew (son of a friend of Laura Bisconte) treatment for a mass in the base of his brain. For **Larry & Cathy Wacker's daughter and son-in-law's** health and cancer treatments. For **Carol** (Alex Hick's aunt) recent diagnosis of frontal lobe dementia. For **Tim Smith** heart health. For **Tom Williams** maintenance chemo treatments. For **Janeen Meier** healing for physical and mental health (Maureen Roberts' sister and Pastor Roberts' Aunt). Debbie Johnston kidney health. **Bob McDermott** dealing with Parkinson's symptoms. For **Alan Stremsterfer's mother** health issues. For **Lisa Stremsterfer's father** health and stability. **Aurora Stevens** back and shoulder pain treatments. For **Kathy Bigger** (friend of Donna Wall) pancreatic cancer. Andrew Hebar's Aunt **Kara** (health).

Birthdays: Larry L 3/1, Noah G 3/2, Willie DC 3/4, Teddy L 3/5, Kate B 3/6, Owen S 3/6, Everett F 3/7, Gary S 3/7, Katie F 3/9, Daniel H 3/10, Soren M 3/10, Meagan C 3/11, Charlie N 3/12, Bob G 3/14

Anniversaries: Mark & Sonja R 3/9, Randy & Carrie G3/14

Benediction for those worshipping via the livestream.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

A Word to Our Guests and Visitors about Communion at Praise

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death and resurrection until He comes. Scripture warns that those who come forward to eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great spiritual harm. The Lord's Supper is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, any who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet to desire to receive the Sacrament (Communion), are encouraged to seek guidance from the pastor.

Preface

p. 160; 2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

P (sung) The Lord be with you.



C And al - so 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 Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface ~ Altar Book (appropriate to the day or season)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

C (sung) Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

p. 161 or 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, ...now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The Words of Our Lord

Mt 26:26-30; Mk 14:22-26; Lk 22:14-23; 1 Cor 11:23-25.

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

John 20:19

P (sung) The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei

John 1:29

C (sung) 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.

Distribution

Please see our pastor for details about baptism, instruction, and vow of confirmation of our church's teachings prior to taking the Lord's Supper (Communion) at Praise.

Distribution Hymn: 414 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here (see hymnal)

Distribution Hymn: 415 Jesus on the Mountain Peak

Distribution Hymn: 918 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

Distribution Hymn: 815 All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

Thank the Lord

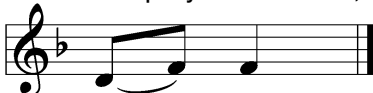
[Psalm 105:1–3, 42–43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8–10]

C (sung) Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all
who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises
and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect

p. 166

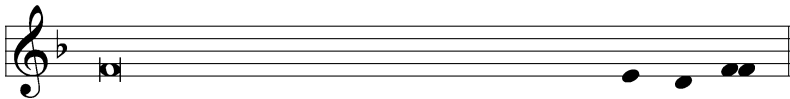
A Let us pray. ... one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benediction

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.



C A - men.

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Choir Director: Laura Bisconte, Choir Pianist: Susan Johnson

Church Calendar: praiselutheran.com/events



Moved? Changed your email address? Changed cell phone or home phone? Please let the church office know.

Two Large Print Hymnals are available. Please ask those who are helping as ushers to locate a large print hymnal for you.

Visit praiselutheran.com/build to see our build completion video!

| Building Fund | 2024 Receipts | 2025 Receipts | Total Receipts |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Actual | \$211,037 | \$8,600 | \$1,186,595 |
| Pledged | \$179,106 | \$42,744 | \$1,065,270 |
| Remaining | \$31,931 [over] | -\$34,144 [under] | \$121,325 [over] |

Build Project total cost estimate: ~ 2.8 million (approximately 38% funded).

Gifts to the Build Fund are still encouraged (through at least the extended end of the Capital Campaign in December 2025). Please prayerfully (continue to) give gifts.

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Youth and Families

Sunday School (weekly on Sundays) for 2 year olds - 12th grade kids will meet during the Education hour from 9:45 - 10:45. Please see Shelli Haynes or Linda McMichael with questions on specific meeting places for each group.

Middle and High School Midweek Youth meet Wednesdays (6-7pm Middle School and **NEW TIME 7-8pm** High School)

The LCMS Youth Gathering is coming to New Orleans July 19-23! Praise will send a group of 11 to the gathering. Please see Linda McMichael or April Torres for details.

- **Culver's Fundraiser** in Alcoa TOMORROW, Mar 3, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Tidal Wave Car Wash Vouchers** available now. Secure their BEST car wash (normally a \$30 wash) for \$12, or 2 vouchers for \$20. Purchase from our Youth.
- **Swig** dirty soda shop \$10 gift cards. Purchase from our Youth in the Narthex.

DEPOSIT DUE Campfirmation (yearly event for middleschoolers and highschoolers) at Camp Linn Haven, North Carolina from July 7-11. Theme for 2025: *The Sacraments: Signed, Sealed, and Delivered*. All parents and students interested in being part of this wonderful week of learning, please make sure to send your deposit of \$50 at your first opportunity. We need to have all soft commitments noted as soon as possible.

- **Camp Linn Haven Work Teams** comprised of youth and adults from Praise are all set and ready to go help restore the camp due to last year's flooding, March 9 through March 15. Lodging and meals funded through a grant obtained from the Synod.

Youth Catechesis with Pastor Roberts

TODAY from 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. in the large Sunday School Room (followed by Mar 16)

Personalized Lutheran Mugs Available (member made by Suzanne Nunnink) See order forms in Narthex; suggested donation \$25 each; use, wash, and store here at church or take home if you want. Funds benefit Youth Campfirmation this summer.

Joshua & Adelaide Arguien request your presence at their **Blessing of Marriage** at Praise Lutheran Church on Sat, April 12 at 2:00 p.m. **Please RSVP** by visiting: <https://www.theknot.com/us/joshua-arguien-and-adelaide-yoder-apr-2025>



What does this Mean?

Adult Catechesis Class leading to Membership or a great review of the chief parts of the faith using *Luther's Small Catechism*: meets again THIS Tues at 3:30 p.m., lasting a total of 6-8 weeks. Contact Pastor Roberts for details. Meet in person initially and via Google Meet for some classes.

Little Children in Church. We love our little children and how blessed we are to have them present in the Divine Service! It is wonderful to hear them learning to pray, sing, and speak the parts of the Divine Liturgy. Thank you, faithful parents, for bringing your children to the House of the Lord to hear and participate! No child is too young or too old. We are all learning and hearing the Word of God and participating in age-appropriate ways. The Spirit is at work. *Concerning noise-levels and what to do:* Most often, members can withstand the occasional sounds of children being children and can still focus on the service. However, when sounds go beyond what is good for your neighbor to hear or focus well, then please remember that the nursery/children's room may be helpful. Then bring them back into the Sanctuary as soon as seems right. It can be an unintended "reward" for a child to get to go play for being disruptive, yet you may discern how long is just right and what's best to help a child reset. The room can serve as a place to encourage calming and being caring for others in church and reminding them why we are here: to hear and honor Jesus.

Today

Installation of new Officers, Board, and Committee members

This Week

Culver's Youth Dinner Fundraiser Monday 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (in Alcoa)

Adult Catechesis Tuesday 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. in the Social Hall with Pastor Roberts

Ash Wednesday Midweek Service at Noon and 7:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Men's Bible Study resumes after Easter

Ladies Bible Study Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Social Hall with Barbara Morsch

Upcoming Events



Mar 5 (THIS Wed) Ash Wednesday Service with the imposition of ashes at Noon and 7:00 p.m.

Mar 12, 19, 26, Apr 2, 9 (Weds) Midweek Service Noon and 7:00 p.m. with Soup Suppers at 6:00 p.m. Theme for Midweek Lent Services: *The Saints and their Songs* Come learn about the Saints of old and their songs of Christ and our Redemption.

Soup Supper sign-ups are in the Narthex. Please take a look!



Spring Forward Daylight Savings is March 9

Don't forget to move your clocks an hour ahead on Saturday before bed, Mar 8 to arrive on time for services on the First Sunday in Lent.