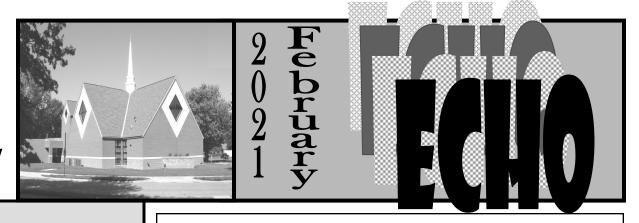
# **Zion**Lutheran Church & Preschool



## 101 South Railway Mascoutah, IL 62258

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Mission Statement: "Zion is God's family of faith in Christ serving our communities, our country, and our world".

### Humor

The Sunday School teacher was describing that when Lot's wife looked back at Sodom she turned into a pillar of salt, when Bobby interrupted. "My mommy looked back once while she was driving," he announced, "and she turned into a telephone pole."

A Sunday School teacher said to her children, "We have been learning about how powerful the kings and queens were in Biblical times. But there is a higher power. Who can tell me what it is?" Tommy blurted out, "I know, Aces."

## From the Pastor

As we move into February, we find that the Church's penitential season of Lent is rapidly approaching. Ash Wednesday is February 17, and then we press ahead to the joyful culmination of Easter on April 4. This year, our sermon theme through the Lent Midweek Services will be "Return to the Lord Your God."

This theme is drawn from the Old Testament Reading for Ash Wednesday, Joel 2:12-19, "Yet even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep and say, "Spare your people, O Lord, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?" Then the Lord became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. The Lord answered and said to his people, "Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations."

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In the Book of Joel, the prophet paints a vivid picture of the coming judgment of God, the Day of the Lord. The imagery is bold and terrifying: hordes of locusts swarming over the land and decimating everything. Joel's prophecy has teeth even today as wars rage, natural disasters threaten and destroy, and our culture seems to be unraveling. But right in the middle of this frightening warning, we find a tender invitation from the Lord: "Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and He relents over disaster" (Joel 2:13). God's invitation and promise finds its fullness in Jesus Christ, who personifies and accomplishes all that God declares. During this season of Lent, we will consider the theme "Return to the Lord" and examine how the call to return played out in practical ways for the people who walked alongside Christ as He demonstrated and carried out God's grace and mercy on our behalf, taking God's wrath upon Himself, setting the stage for God to "turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him" (Joel 2:14).

Each week during the Lent Midweek Service, the sermon will feature a theme of "Return." These exhortations include:

Ash Wednesday: "A Call to Return" Lent Midweek 1: "Return to Prayer" Lent Midweek 2: "Return from Betrayal"

Lent Midweek 3: "Return from False Witness"

Lent Midweek 4: "Return from Denial"

Lent Midweek 5: "Return from the Kingdom of God"

Maundy Thursday: "Return to the Table" Good Friday: "Return to the Truth"

Each sermon in this series focuses on a particular event in the Passion, with a special focus on the people involved in the event. Studying the events and people helps to connect the hearers with their own sinful nature, to emphasize how we have turned away from the Lord, and to reinforce and rejoice in God's call for us to return to Him with all our heart.

Of course, the call to "Return" is particularly interesting this Lent. It has been almost exactly one year since the Covid plague began to hit in the United States, and it was during Lent last year that Zion moved on online-only services for a matter of a few months. Since that time, we have been able to "return" to in person worship, and different people have different comfort zones as to how they participate. But, as we approach the one year mark of Covid fears, we need to remember that at some point, we all need to "return." We need to return to worship in God's house. While digital participation in a worship service is better than no participation in a service, there is no substitute for being together with God's people in His house, receiving His gifts. The time will come to "return." I hope it is soon.

So, as we move into Lent, we focus on these words of our Lord: "Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster."

This Lent, and at any time, we look forward to seeing you "Return to the Lord your God" by joining in worship in His house. God's peace be with you.

In Christ, Pastor Clayton



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#### SUMMARIES OF SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR FEBRUARY

#### FEBRUARY 7, QUINQUAGESIMA

Isaiah 35:3-7, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 18:31-43

The seeing are blind, while the one who is blind can see (Luke 18:31-43). Jesus tells the twelve that He is going up to Jerusalem to suffer and die and rise again, but they cannot understand or grasp what He is saying. The meaning of His words is hidden from their sight. However, as Jesus makes His way up to Jerusalem, a blind man calls out to Him for mercy. This blind man sees that Jesus is the Messiah, the Savior, for he calls Him "Son of David." Jesus is the incarnate love of the Father who suffers long and is kind, who is not puffed up, who never fails us (1 Cor. 13:1-13). Jesus opens the eyes of the blind (Is. 35:3-7) to see Him not according to outward appearances of lowliness, but according to His heart of mercy and compassion. Those who behold Him thus by faith follow Him to the cross through death into life.

#### FEBRUARY 14, TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Exodus 3:1-14, 2 Peter 1:16-21, Matthew 17:1-9

The Lord appeared to Moses in the light of the burning bush (Ex. 3:1-14). At the Transfiguration. Moses and Elijah appeared with the One who is the Light of Light Himself (Matt. 17:1–9). Jesus' glory as God shines with brilliant splendor in and through His human nature. By this epiphany, our Lord confirmed the prophetic word (2 Pet. 1:16-21), revealing that He is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets. He manifested His majesty as the eternal Son of the Father, and He wonderfully foreshowed our adoption as sons (Collect). We who have been baptized into Christ's body are given a glimpse of the glory that we will share with Him in the resurrection on the Last Day.

#### FEBRUARY 21, FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT (INVOCABIT)

Genesis 3:1-21, 2 Corinthians 6:1-10, Matthew 4:1-11

In the Garden, man exalts himself to be a god in place of God (Gen. 3:1-21). He succumbs to the temptation of the devil, and eating of the forbidden fruit, he receives death. But in the sin-cursed wilderness, God humbles Himself to become man in place of man (Mt. 4:1-11). He does not eat but fasts and bears the onslaughts of the devil for us that we may be restored to life. Let us therefore not receive the grace of God in vain (2 Cor. 6:1–10).

#### FEBRUARY 28, SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT (REMINISCERE)

Genesis 32:22–32, 1 Thessalonians 4:1–7, Matthew 15:21–28

Jacob wrestled with God; he would not let Him go until he received a blessing from Him (Gen. 32:22-32). So it was with the Canaanite woman. Though Jesus seemed to ignore and reject her, she continued to call upon His name and look to Him for help (Mt. 15:21-28). Even when the Lord called her a little dog, she held on to Him in faith and would not let Him wriggle out of His words: "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." This Gentile woman shows herself to be a true Israelite, who struggles with God and man in Christ and prevails. "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire" (Mt. 15:27–28). This is the sanctifying will of God (1 Thess. 4:1–7).

Membership Changes

## Transfer to Heaven:

Baptisms: **Buzz Kandler** 

## Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits

Zion's Ladies Aid has decided to assemble Personal Care Kits for round-the-world relief during disasters, etc. This project will take place in February – March and involves purchasing only **FIVE** items! See info sheets on table in narthex.

Often, when natural disasters strike or when war drives families from their homes, our hearts ache with compassion, but we don't know how to help. Making Lutheran World Relief Kits is a simple, fun and tangible way to offer comfort to those suffering and express love to our neighbors in need.

LWR Kits are specifically designed to help people coping with poverty, disaster, conflict, and more. Whether a kit helps someone to maintain good hygiene, care well for a newborn baby, keep education going during a crisis, or learn a new vocation, LWR Kits provide dignity and hope in the direst situations.

Soap, towels, toothbrushes, nail clippers, and combs. These simple gifts improve the standard of living for people around the world. In the Andes, these kits are helping dairy farmers practice proper hygiene and, in turn, improve their dairy products through sanitary milking practices.

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#### We are inviting Zion's congregation to take part in this activity.

#### Items needed are:

- -one light-weight bath-sized towel (see sizes on sheet, dark color please)
- -two-three bath-sized bars of soap equaling 8-9 oz total
- -one adult-sized toothbrush in original packing
- -one sturdy comb, remove packing
- -one metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging.

There are sheets ready to pick up which list these items needed and details. You may place all items in a plastic bag and leave them in the box that will be in the Narthex. We will package them for sending.

PLEASE DON'T PURCHASE ANYTHING OTHER THAN ITEMS LISTED ON THE SHEET.



# President's Page

May God's peace which passes all human understanding be with us all. I would like to share with you some activities underway here at Zion.

In December, the Voters Assembly approved the purchase of the property east of our parking lot. This transaction has been completed as of late December. For the near term, our goal is to get the house and garage emptied of some leftover items. We also need to remove some of the brush as well as the two trees on the southwest corner of the house. Our head Trustee, Mike Twenhafel, has initiated some plans and perhaps leading this work. Presently, the plan is to have a Saturday workday to remove the brush first and have a dumpster dropped off to empty the house and garage at the same time. We then would look at a second Saturday workday to remove the two trees, as the one will take a lift and need to be cut from the top down. We will appreciate all volunteers for these projects!

Thank you to all who have donated towards the purchase of the property. As of the January council meeting, \$8200.00 has been donated. This will probably continue to grow, and we thank everyone for considering this. Please continue to support this!

Our Strategic Planning committee will be meeting soon to study our church's long range goals. This would include opportunities presented with the new property. Geoff Phillips has agreed to head this committee as we go forward. Thank you, Geoff!

We have talked about a review of our church constitution for a while now, with Covid slowing down this progress. Alan Kneschke has agreed to head this committee. Thank you, Alan! Each board has been asked to review the constitution and identify any items that need to be reviewed. The majority of the constitution is just fine, however, there are probably a few items that we need to think about and update. I would ask each of you to do the same and if you identify something to review, please let Alan know. Alan will then meet with his committee and study all the recommendations, and make a final recommendation to the Voters Assembly. This can be a lengthy process, with changes needing to be approved by the District. Perhaps we can do our internal review rather soon, and by the end of the year have this finalized with District.

We continue to have issues with our HVAC system. Several have recently said that evening meetings have been cold, while we have had excess heat at other times! Matt Sink and Mark Wehmeyer have been a wonderful resource in reviewing the HVAC equipment. We have invited Weeke Sales and Service from Okawville to come and do a complete review of our system. They said they are very familiar with our equipment and do service others like this in the area. They have noted numerous things that either need replaced or upgraded and given us a bid to do the upgrade and repairs for \$38,200. This might be adjusted some yet, as Matt continues to look at the details of the bid. We hope to finalize this soon, and present to the next Voters Assembly. If you get a chance, send Matt and Mark a huge thank you! This has been a lot of work.

A special thank you to the members of Zion. We have a lot going on, and your sharing and support is very much appreciated.

God's Blessing to you. Dale Wehmeyer, President

# Board of Education

Board of Ed is hopeful that we will be able to start back with Sunday School and all the fun activities this year.

But while we wait that out, remember that Jesus loves you. Take a minute out of your day and sing Jesus Loves Me. I hope that puts a smile on your face like it does mine.

Marianne McDaniel











We started our new year off with a week of distance learning for our In Person class. We were able to come back to In Person learning on January 11<sup>th</sup>! We do also have our Virtual Class as well. It was fun to get back to school and see all our friends after our Christmas break.

During the month of January, we collected canned vegetables as we learned about the letter V. We will donate all our cans to the Mascoutah Food Pantry.

During February we will talk about God's love for us and how we share that love with others as we exchange Valentines.

Jesus Time lessons will include The Good Samaritan, Jairus's Daughter, and Jesus' Miracles.

We will also start registration for the 2021-2022 school year at the end of February. If you have a preschooler, you can contact me at <u>zionpreschooldirector2020@gmail.com</u> for more questions or check out our Facebook page!

God Bless,

Vikki Harms

Zion Preschool Director



# Elders Corner

What is Love? A word, a sensation, a symbol? Maybe it's a requirement for marriage or for being a pet owner. Maybe love is something we recognize in the month of February. What *is* Love? Let's look to what God tells us.

The Lutheran Study Bible provides us with almost 200 references in the Bible where God uses the word "love," and that doesn't even include versions of the word "love" like "loved" and "loving." Wow! I will now review all of these references with you. If you look at the length of this, you'll know that's not actually going to happen, but I will focus on one reference to love that says it all, one reference that rolls off our tongues and always puts me right at peace, John 3:16.

"For God so LOVED the world that He gave His only son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

And, that's it, the most perfect and complete illustration of love! No other explanation of love says it better. This love was the ultimate sacrifice of God's one and only Son, not forced but *given* for *all*. There is nothing we've done or can do to deserve this sacrificial love. Our Father gives this love to us daily and promises this love to us through an eternity with Him.

Prayer: Dear, Lord, we are humbled by the love You have for us. We thank You for saving us from a world that cannot love as You do. Forgive us when we fail to love others and strengthen us, we pray, to show Your love to the world around us.

Tony Lara, Elder





Sunday School intends to begin a virtual class for grades 3 and 4, followed shortly after by 1st and 2nd. We are looking for two individuals who are willing to teach via Zoom starting in the Lenten season. Please email Jenna Dunn. <u>J.dunndeal@gmail.com</u>

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"I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich" (2 Corinthians 8:8-9).

Without commands or even arm-twisting, St. Paul encourages, even challenges, the Church in Corinth to demonstrate the sincerity of their faith by their generosity in giving. He does this because giving generously is a gift of the Spirit given to us through the Gospel.

St. Paul wrote: "But just as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us—see that you also excel in this grace of giving" (2 Corinthians 8:7). In other words, just as we grow in faith and speech and knowledge of eternal things by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God, so also do we grow in giving from the same Spirit through the same Word.

The problem is that the grace of generosity often grows cold in us. It's not so much that we stop giving, but we don't put it first. We treat it like all the other bills that must be paid. It becomes a chore, just one more thing to check off a list of things to do. That empties it of its spiritual power and robs us of the joy that Christ and the Scriptures assign to it.

On top of that, since this generosity is linked to faith and knowledge of divine things, a lack of excelling in giving is sure sign that our faith and knowledge of God are under attack as well.

Thus St. Paul points to the foundation of generosity: the generosity of Christ Himself. Even though He was rich, He became poor so that we who are poor might become rich. Thus, the incarnation, suffering, and death of our Lord on the cross is the reason, source, and driving force for our generosity in giving to the church.

And since Christ who was rich became poor so that we might be rich in His grace—of which generous giving is part—so we also who are rich in His grace can excel in pressing His grace into service toward the gracious work of the church.

Pay attention to what you give to the church so that you may excel at it. And if you find that your heart has grown cold or indifferent toward it, immerse yourself in God's Word. Read it at home. Attend Bible Class. Hear and listen to it preached in the Divine Service. Be reminded of what Christ has done for you in His incarnation, suffering, and death. For this will strengthen your faith and knowledge. And where that excels, so will the grace of giving excel also.

















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#### February 7

#### "Stories Around the Table"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Dr. Michael Zeigler shares a story about people who had more in common than they thought.

(Mark 6-8)

#### February 14

#### "Shines and Saves"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Cody Cooper

Jesus surpasses all expectations as we see Him revealed on the Mount of Transfiguration.

(Mark 9:2-13)

#### February 21

#### "Do You See Anything?"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

The world wields power with blunt force, but God hides His power in suffering, weakness, and

humility. (Mark)

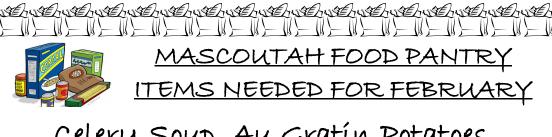
#### February 28

#### "Where a Kid Can Be a Kid"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

An impossible situation need not be a hopeless one.

(Mark 10)



Celery Soup, Au Gratín Potatoes, Tuna Helper, Canned Salmon, Fettuccine Moodles, Cake Icing Canned Sweet Potatoes, Alfredo Sauce, Paper Towels, Pork & Beans

## Birthdays

02/02 Kelly Walsh-Harlan

02/07 Brenda Ogden

02/09 Jenna Dunn

02/09 Carolyn Overmyer

02/09 Lola Simon

02/12 Nancy Peterson

02/13 Aileen Malcharek

02/13 Luke Morra

02/16 Marianne McDaniel

02/17 Amy Kolweier

02/20 Rick Meredith

02/20 Norman Rowold

02/21 Barbara Bretz

02/22 Jean Kemezys

02/22 Doug Sax

02/23 Robert Boehm

02/25 Samuel Clayton

02/25 Jennalee Matthews

02/29 Paul Bretz

02/29 Tom Sax



## Wedding Anniversaries

02/22 Bob & Angie Walter



## Flowers for February

7 Schorfheide's, in honor of Lydia's baptismal anniversary.

Flowers needed!

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02/04 Mark Krausz

Baptismal Inniversaries

02/06 Alicia Suedmeyer

02/07 Sarah Linn

02/07 Ami Linnertz

02/07 Geremy Linnertz 02/07 Nicholas Linnertz

02/09 Jenna Dunn

02/09 Torri Suedmeyer

02/10 Lydia Schorfheide

02/11 Abigail McDaniel

02/14 Amber Schanz

02/16 Makena Suedmeyer

02/16 Cole Wambold

02/22 Lindsay Murphy

02/23 Mark Manera

02/24 Makenna Gryga



#### **ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE** FOR FEBRUARY

14 Jenny Kneschke

17 Lita Timmerman (Ash Wed)

28 Linda Hoskins





Special Music for February

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#### **Devotion and Topic:**

A Time for Love, A Time for Hate (Glenda Pike)

Special Mission Offering: Zion Member Needs

#### **Activities:**

Baby Bottle Return — Feb 7th

Send out Valentine's prior to meeting.

Distribute personal care kit info/work on collecting

**Hostess:** Marlene Lockwood



#### Council Meeting Minutes Zion Lutheran Church January 12, 2021

Call to order.

#### Opening prayer.

Roll call -- Dale Wehmeyer, Ben Eatherton, Laurie Fournie, Tony Lara, Marianne McDaniel, Mike Twenhafel, and Lionel Timmerman; Absent -- Pastor Clayton and Rachel Bretz.

Approval of December council meeting minutes - MMSP to approve minutes.

#### Pastor's report:

- •Official Acts:
  - •Funeral of Charlotte Pivoras, December 3, 2020.
  - ■Visits 29 (26 members, 3 non-members)
  - ■Congregational Meetings & Activities 18
  - ■Circuit/District/Synod Events 3
  - **■**Community Contacts 1

#### •Other Items:

- ${f -}$ Guide for the Year 5 "C's" Confidentiality, Compassion, Collegiality, Cooperation, and Consensus.
- •Food Pantry Pastor ask a couple of candidates to replace Beth Twenhafel as Zion's representative.

#### Treasurer's report:

- First Federal Savings Bank \$27,274.98
- •Busey Bank (PPP) \$39,100.00 (Grant approved; acct closed and money transferred to First Federal)
- •Petty Cash \$50.00
- ●Edward Jones \$66,726.65

#### MMSP to approve report.

#### **Board of Finance Report:**

- •2020 Budget YTD \$303,580.00
- •2020 Actual YTD \$282,155.63 (-\$21,424.37)

#### **Board of Elders Report:**

- Elder assignments for 2021.
- Working on plans for worship in church post-COVID.
- •Members Needs Fund currently sufficient but foresee need for additional funds in near future.

#### **Board of Education Report:**

- •Lindsay Murphy replaced Ganey's as Youth Group Counselor.
- Applications for Higher Things conference (Colorado) due next month, planning at end of this month.
- Preschool doing excellent job responding to COVID with mix of in-school/online instruction.

#### **Board of Trustees Report:**

- •Installation of assisted (handicapped) door opener on west doors expected by end of month.
- Electronic keys will be offered to new board members/members of congregation; possibly add electronic lock to west door after new opened installed.
- •Investigating new info re HVAC update.
- •Proposed cleanup of new property (Holroyd) mid-March, depending on weather; clear brush, cut trees, clean out house.

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#### President's report:

- Current Committees:
  - Evangelism
  - •Constitution asked boards to review, especially board responsibilities and provide comments/recommendations next meeting.
  - •Strategic Planning need to meet by end of month to discuss addition of Holroyd property.
  - Church Directory

#### **Old Business:**

- •Property purchase sale finalized late December; want to get cleaned up by late spring; further action dependent on Strategic Planning Committee recommendations.
- Video Camera Gadge Corey syncing computer to camera.

#### **New Business:**

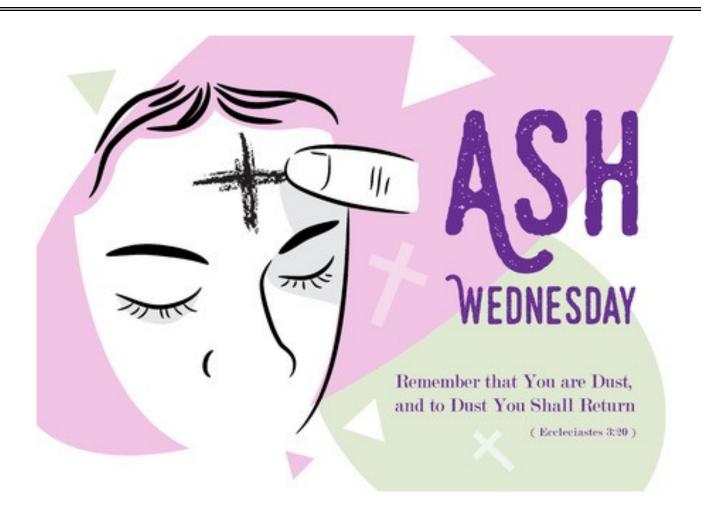
• Security cameras – do we need additional/outside cameras to enhance security? Trustees will investigate.

Next Meeting - Thursday, February 4 @ 7 p.m.

Adjournment - MMSP to adjourn.

Close with Lord's Prayer.

Lionel E. Timmerman, substitute secretary





### Zion Lutheran Church 101 S. Railway Mascoutah, IL 62258

**Address Service Requested** 

#### **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

Sunday 8:30 TO 9:30 AM on Zoom

#### BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 8:45 to 9:30 AM In-Person and on Zoom

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday 9:00 AM on FaceBook

#### WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday 7:00 PM In-Person Sunday 10:00 AM In-Person and on FaceBook

## **Worship Topics This Month**

February 7—Quinquagesima—Luke 18:31-43— Chaplain Sedwick to Preach

February 14—The Transfiguration of the Lord — Matthew 17:1-9 — TBD

February 17—Ash Wednesday—Matthew 6:1-21—"A Call to Return"

February 21 — First Sunday in Lent — Matthew 4:1-11

— Sem Josh Makey to Preach

February 24 — First Lent Midweek Service — "Return to Prayer"

February 28—Second Sunday in Lent—Matthew 15-21-28

-"When God Seems Silent"

Please join us in worship to hear more about the Good News!