

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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Church Mission

" Bringing Christ
to the people...
...the people to Christ "

Church Slogan

Living, Loving,
Leading, and Laughing;
that's Our Saviour's
Lutheran Church

Our Ministers

The people

Our Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark Braaten

Parish Administrator

Debbie Miller

Financial Administrator

Carol Lattier

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Jaeyong Lee

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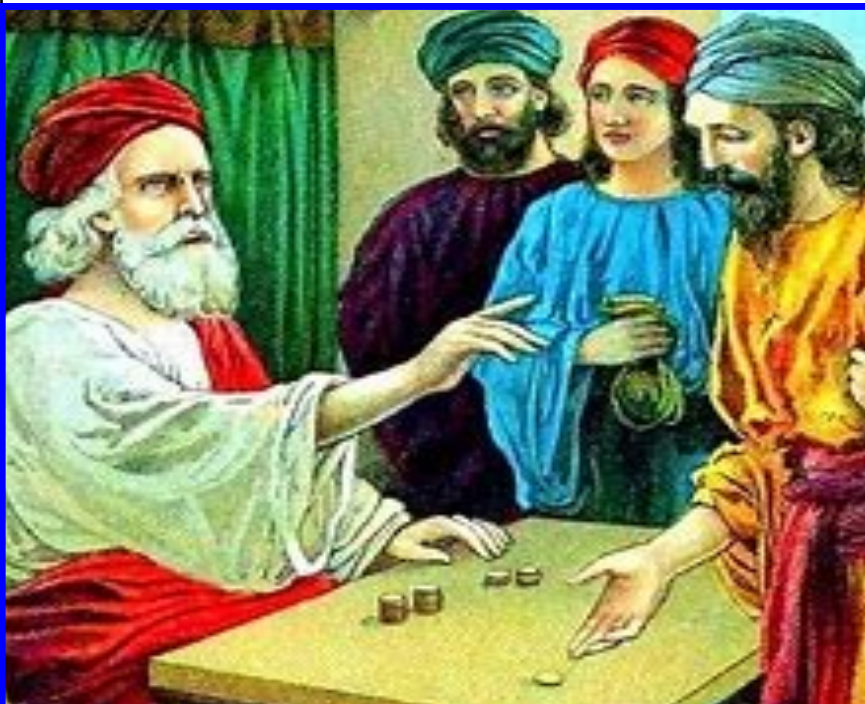
Member Goals

*As disciples of
our Lord, Jesus Christ,
we strive to grow in
faith through daily prayer
and bible reading,
attending worship
services, tithing,
and serving others.*

February 16, 2020

Worship Service

10:00 A.M.



Love. Grow. Serve.



To Our Guests and Visitors

Thank you for joining with us! We're glad you are here.

* To find our nursery go to the Sunday School wing. The Nursery is down this hallway.

* We have activity bags for youngsters to use during worship. The bags include soft toys and coloring books. Please help yourself to a bag. Be sure to return it after worship.

* We practice open communion. If you are baptized and desire to share in the body and blood of our Lord, please join us.

* We begin communing children in the 5th grade. We offer a communion class to prepare 5th graders to receive this sacrament.

* If you would prefer grape juice instead of wine for communion, there is grape juice in the center of the tray of glasses.

* Following our worship service there is coffee and tea on the table in our café area. Please stay for some fellowship.

* Let us know how we can be of assistance to you!

WORSHIP SERVERS

Lay Coordinator:	Bob Tardiff
Ushers:	Bob Tardiff & Ezra Johnson
Acolyte:	Grayson Sartor
Reader:	Becky Chambers
Communion Assistants:	Jana Coke, Max Lewis, and Jana Snyder
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 16, 2020 ~ WELCOME

It is a pleasure to worship together.

If you are a newcomer, if you have a prayer request, or both,
please fill out the yellow pew card located on the back of a pew.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

OPENING HYMN ~ RISE UP, O SAINTS OF GOD

LBW 383

Rise up, O saints of God!
From vain ambitions turn;
Christ rose triumphant that your hearts
With nobler zeal might burn.

Speak out, O saints of God!
Despair engulfs earth's frame;
As heirs of God's baptismal grace,
His word of hope proclaim.

Rise up, O saints of God!
His kingdom's task embrace;

Redress sin's cruel consequence;
Give justice larger place.

Give heed, O saints of God!
Creation cries in pain;
Stretch forth your hand of healing now,
With love the weak sustain.

Commit your hearts to seek
The paths which Christ has trod
And quickened by the Spirit's power,
Rise up, O saints of God!

CONFESSION OF SIN

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage 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: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. In the name of Jesus 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.

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.

KYRIE ~ SUNG

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ THIS IS THE FEAST

P. 81, LBW

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was
slain, whose blood set us free to be
people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength
and honor and blessing and glory are
His.

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in
the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever.
Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun
his reign.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O Lord, graciously hear the requests of your people. May we who are afflicted for our sins be mercifully relieved, for the sake of your glory, to find new life through the love of Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please Sit

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 30:15-20

¹⁵{Moses said,} “See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119:1-8

¹Happy are they whose | way is blameless,*
who walk in the law | of the Lord!

²**Happy are they who observe | his decrees*
and seek him with | all their hearts!**

³Who never do | any wrong,*
but always walk | in his ways.

⁴**You laid down | your commandments,*
that we should | fully keep them.**

⁵Oh, that my ways were made | so direct*
that I might | keep your statutes!

⁶**Then I should not be | put to shame,*
when I regard all | your commandments.**

⁷I will thank you with an | unfeigned heart,*
when I have learned your | righteous judgments.

⁸**I will | keep your statutes;*
do not utter- | ly forsake me.**

SECOND READING: I CORINTHIANS 3:1-9

¹But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, ³for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? ⁴For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human? ⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. ⁹For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ I HAVE DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS

I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back, no turning back.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please Stand

GOSPEL VERSE ~ ALLELUIA, LORD

P. 83, LBW

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

Alleluia.

GOSPEL ~ MATTHEW 5:21-37

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please Sit

SERMON ~ REV. MARK BRAATEN

Please Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ I, THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY

WOV 752

"I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

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.

THE PRAYERS

Congregation sings refrain of "Lord, listen to your children praying." WOV 775

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

Pastor Mark prays while Jaeyong plays refrain in background

Congregation repeats refrain

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Congregation repeats refrain

PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

Please Sit

OFFERING

Please Stand

OFFERTORY ~ THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. 88, LBW

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

**C: It is right to give him thanks
and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . *(Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or session, concluding:)*

We praise your name and join their unending praise:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord,

Lord God of pow'r 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.

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.'

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of His resurrection, we await His coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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.**

Please Sit

DISTRIBUTION

*For those who prefer, the center circle of glasses contain grape juice.
Please return your cup in the basket on the aisle.*

LAMB OF GOD ~ P. 92, LBW

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.

COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ LORD, LET MY HEART BE GOOD SOIL

WOV 713

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Open to the seed of your Word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Where love can grow and peace is
understood.
When my heart is hard, break the
stone away.

When my heart is cold, warm it with
the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your
way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ GOD WILL MAKE A WAY

God will make a way
Where there seems to be no way.
He works in ways we cannot see.
He will make a way for me.
He will be my Guide,
Hold me closely to His side.
With love and strength for each new day
He will make a way...He will make a way.
By a roadway in the wilderness, You lead
me.
Rivers in the desert will I see.

Heaven and earth will fade,
But His Word will still remain.
And He will do something new today.

God will make a way
Where there seems to be no way.
He works in ways we cannot see.
He will make a way for me.
He will be my Guide,
Hold me closely to His side.
With love and strength for each new day
He will make a way...He will make a way.

COMMUNION SONG #3 ~ I LOVE YOU, LORD

I love you, Lord,
And I lift my voice
To worship You,
O my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King,
In what you hear;
May it be a sweet, sweet sound
In Your ear.

Please Stand

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ GLORY TO GOD

(Sung to the tune of "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee")

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth;

We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise;

Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

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.

In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CLOSING SONG ~ ON OUR WAY REJOICING

LBW 260

On our way rejoicing gladly let us go.

Christ our Lord has conquered;

vanquished is the foe.

Christ without, our safety;

Christ within, our joy;

who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

On our way rejoicing; as we forward move,

hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing;

unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring;

unto God the Spirit, bow we and adore,

on our way rejoicing, now and evermore.

On our way rejoicing; as we forward move,

hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

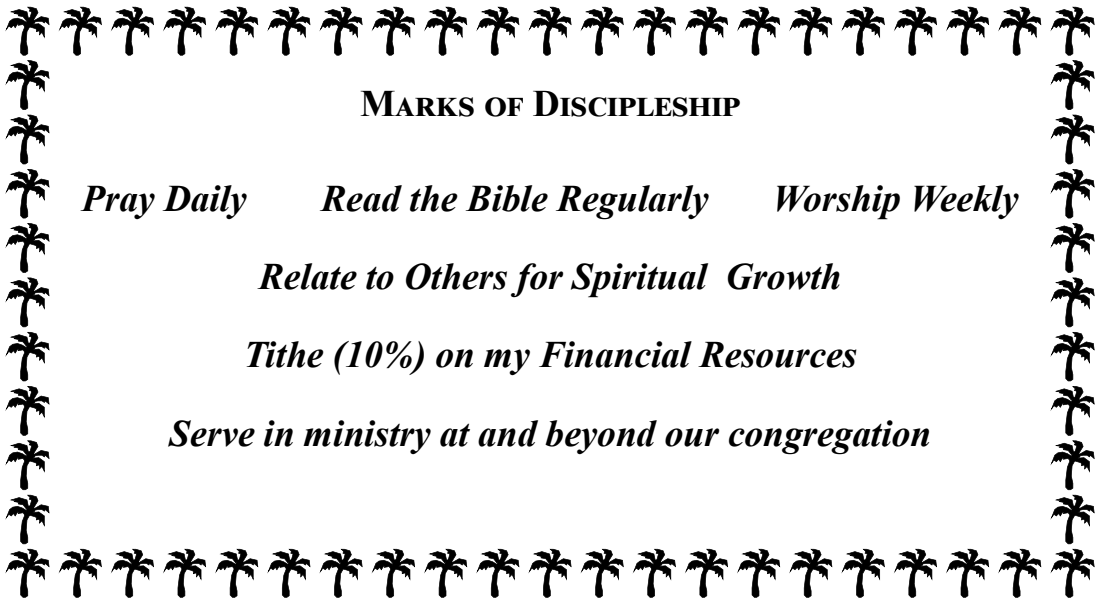
POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation-Wide Garage Sale this Spring – March 7

We are planning to do another congregation-wide garage sale this spring, on Saturday March 7. We are sharing this news with you early so you can start setting aside items to donate for the sale. As you do your winter cleaning and find items you would like to move on, please donate them to the church and we will again have a huge garage sale. These have been most successful and fun in the past.

All proceeds from the sale will be used for our fund which provides financial support for our senior members and other members in need. Come share in the garage sale and also help to minister to our members!

New Folks Luncheon – Today

We would like to have a luncheon for people who are new to our congregation on Sunday, Feb. 16, immediately after worship. We will get acquainted and introduce you to OSLC. If you are new to OSLC, please plan to attend!

Stewardship

Stewardship is less about asking for money and more about asking people to follow Jesus. Stewardship is really another word for discipleship, as Christ is the center of all of this!

Adult Sunday School

Here is our upcoming schedule for our adult Sunday School class:

*Today - we continue our study of the book of Ruth.

*When we finish our study of Ruth, we will follow with some “topical” classes. Each week we will look at some different topics in the faith. Please share your suggestions for topics we could explore. Right now, we have two – “Why do Lutherans Baptize Infants?” and “Where did the Bible come from – a look at how the Scriptures Developed”.

Stop the Bleed!!!

STOP THE BLEED! The American College of Surgeons has trained over one million people world wide to stop bleeding in a severely injured person. This course empowers you to make a life and death difference when a bleeding emergency occurs. Sign up **NOW** by sending an email to kpontious1494@gmail.com. Course will be presented by CTMF ER staff Friday March 20 @ 1-2:30 pm at OSLC. No medical experience necessary. Go to Stopthebleed.org for more information. We need an attendance count by March 1 please.

Path Soup Drive

Each Sunday in February, we are collecting soup for PATH. Please bring cans of soup and place on the table in the Narthex. Sunday, February 23 will be our last Sunday to collect this food for Path. Our thanks to all who so generously help with this effort.

Living Out Matthew 25 – Time for Returns

For our stewardship focus this winter we are “living out” Jesus’ parable in Mathew 25:14-30. Last month we gave out various mounts of money. We have asked you to use the money for a month. It has been great fun to see some of what you have done.

For those who have worked to make a profit, This Sunday is the day to return your profits. In addition we will try to get some summaries of what people have done so we can share the results with the congregation.

Thank you for all you are doing!

Collecting Clothing for India

Glory Gopinath is one of our members. She is originally from India. Her home area has a great deal of poverty. Glory is starting a project to send clothing to her home area. She will be leading a collection here at OSLC. We will collect gently used men’s and children’s clothing and then ship them to India. Please bring your donation to the church.

VANCO – Automated Giving

We offer a service for automated giving here at Our Saviour’s. We work with a company called VANCO that makes this possible. We have a number of options for giving, and we are working to develop more.

We intentionally want to give our members a number of options for their financial giving. Of course we will pass the offering plates every Sunday! (That is a long and time-honored tradition in the church!) But some of our members have asked for automated giving. We provide that for those who find that more convenient. Right now, you can sign up for weekly withdrawals from your checking account or credit card. Just talk to Carol or Debbie in the office about this.

We are also in the process of exploring some new options. We are working with VANCO to explore setting thing up so you can sign up through our church website. We are also looking at an option of using a mobile app. We have some great possibilities we are just starting to work on and we will be sharing more about this in the next few weeks.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (FEBRUARY 9—FEBRUARY 16, 2020)
THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS: MON. 11:30—1:00, TUES. & WED. 10:00—2:00
IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865

SUNDAY—Feb. 16, 2020

Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
Youth	11:00 a.m.

THURSDAY

Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
ACA Meeting	6:00 p.m.
CODA	6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

No Activities Scheduled

MONDAY

No Activities Scheduled

SATURDAY

No Activities Scheduled

TUESDAY

Quilters	9:00 a.m.
Social Ministry	11:30 a.m.

SUNDAY—Feb. 23, 2020

Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
Youth	11:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

No Activities Scheduled

STEWARDSHIP		FEBRUARY 9, 2020 WORSHIP	
Monthly Budget	<u>\$ 23,058</u>	Worship Service	129
Prior February Offering	\$ 6,997	Year to Date Average	131
Offerings during the week	2,660		
Offerings on Sunday, February 9	<u>2,851</u>		
Cumulative February Offerings	<u>\$ 12,508</u>		
Year to Date Offerings	<u>\$ 35,726</u>		