

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

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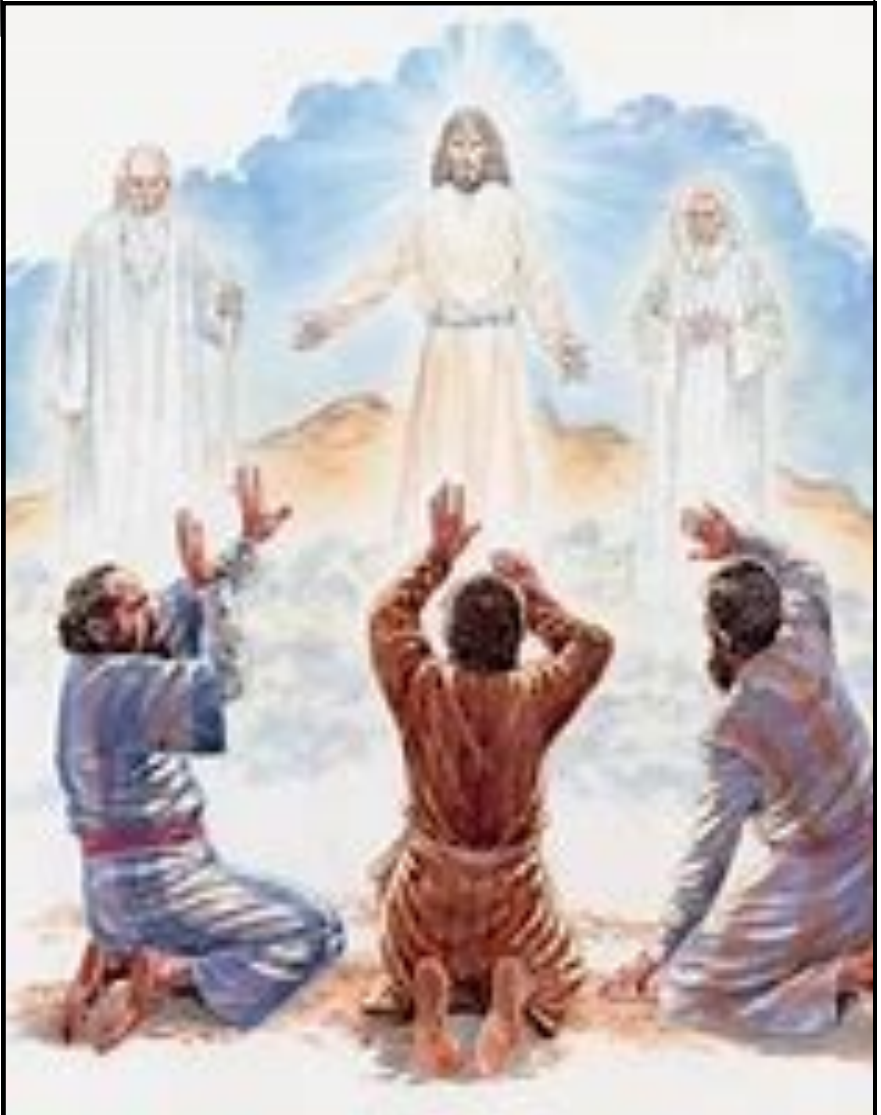
Member Goals

*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 23, 2020

Worship Service

10:00 A.M.





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:	Connie Gibbs
Ushers:	Connie and Terry Gibbs
Acolyte:	Jonah Rhodes
Reader:	Kristin Blaise
Communion Assistants:	Jana Coke, Jan Moch, and Amy Norris
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

FEBRUARY 23, 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

TRANSFIGURATION LITANY

P: Today is Transfiguration Sunday. This is a day that celebrates a glorious event in the life of Jesus.

C: Lord, let us focus anew on You.

P: Jesus led 3 of the disciples up on a mountain.

C: Lord, teach us to follow.

P: There on the mountain Jesus was revealed in the glory that is truly His.

C: Lord, reveal your glory to us.

P: On the mountain, God spoke and called for the disciples to listen to Jesus.

C: Lord, teach us to listen.

P: May we today catch a glimpse of Jesus' glory, and praise Him as our Lord and Savior.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN ~ ALLELUIA, SING TO JESUS

LBW 158

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone,
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
Has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us;

Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise;
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
Here on earth one food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful
Flee to you from day to day.

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Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's redeemer, hear our plea
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary,
Earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.
As within the veil you entered,
Robed in flesh, our great high priest,

Here on earth both priest and victim
In the eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone,
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus our of ev'ry nation
Has redeemed us by his blood."

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 ~ IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest
drought and storm.

What heights of love,
what depths of peace;
When fears are stilled,
when strivings cease.

My Comforter, my All-in-all;
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,

Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God, at the glorious transfiguration of your only Son, you confirmed the mystery of our faith by the witness of the disciples and by your own voice from the cloud. Mercifully complete our adoption as your children, and give us, with our King, an inheritance of his glory. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please Sit

FIRST READING: EXODUS 24:8-18

⁸Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words." ⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. ¹²The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them." ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the Lord dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 2:6-12

⁶ "I myself have | set my king*
upon my holy | hill of Zion."

⁷ Let me announce the decree | of the Lord:*

He said to me, "You are my Son; this day have I be- | gotten you.

⁸Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for | your inheritance*
and the ends of the earth for | your possession.

⁹**You shall crush them with an | iron rod*
and shatter them like a | piece of pottery.”**

¹⁰And now, you | kings, be wise;*
be warned, you rulers | of the earth.

¹¹**Submit to the | Lord with fear,*
and with trembling | bow before him;**

¹²Lest he be angry | and you perish;*
for his wrath is | quickly kindled.

SECOND READING: 2 PETER 1:16 - 21

¹⁶We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” ¹⁸we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. ²¹For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SONG ~ THIS IS THE DAY

This is the day,
This is the day
That the Lord has made
That the Lord has made.
We will rejoice,
We will rejoice
And be glad in it,
And be glad in it.

This is the day
That the Lord has made.
We will rejoice
And be glad in it.
This is the day,
This is the day
That the Lord has made.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please Stand

GOSPEL VERSE ~ THY WORD

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

...And a light unto my path.

GOSPEL ~ MATTHEW 17: 1-9

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17th 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 ~ BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

LBW 518

Beautiful Savior,
King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee,
truly I'd serve thee,
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows,
fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine,
fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior,
Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!

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 ~ CHORAL ~ "TRANSFIGURATION"

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 ~ EL SHADDAI

Chorus:

*El Shaddai, El Shaddai,
El, El-yon-na Adonai,
Age to age You're still the same,
By the power of the name.
El Shaddai, El Shaddai,
Er-Kam Kana Adonai,
We will praise and lift You high,
El Shaddai.*

Through Your love and through the ram,
You saved the son of Abraham,
Through the power of Your hand
You turned the sea into dry land.
To the outcast on her knees

You were the God who really sees,
And by Your might You set Your chil-
dren free

Chorus

Through the years You made it clear
That the time of Christ was near,
Though the people could not see
What Messiah ought to be
Though Your Word contained the plan
They just could not understand
Your most awesome works was done
In the frailty of Your Son.

Chorus

COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

In remembrance of Me,
Eat this bread.
In remembrance of Me,
Drink this wine.
In remembrance of Me,
Pray for the time
When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of Me,
Heal the sick.
In remembrance of Me,
Feed the poor.
In remembrance of Me,
Open the door
And let your brother in,
Let him in.

Take, eat and be comforted;
Drink and remember too,
That this is My body and precious
blood
Shed for you,
Shed for you.

In remembrance of Me,
Search for truth.
In remembrance of Me
Always love.
In remembrance of Me,
Don't look above,
But in your heart
Look for God

Do this in remembrance of Me.

COMMUNION SONG #3 ~ HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice,
all the earth rejoice.
He wraps himself in light
And darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice,
And trembles at His voice.

Chorus:

*How great is our God! Sing with me:
How great is our God! And all will see:
How great, how great, is our God.*

Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands;
Beginning and The End,

Beginning and The End.
The Godhead, three in one,
Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb,
The Lion and the Lamb.

Chorus

Bridge:

Name above all names,
You are worthy of all praise,
And my heart will sing:
How great is our God.
Name above all names,
You are worthy of all praise,
And my heart will sing:
How great, how great, is our God

Chorus

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 ~ SONG OF SIMEON

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace,
Your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the Salvation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.

A light to reveal you to the Nations,
And the glory of your people, Israel.

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

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 ~ SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

WOV 651

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, shine,

Fill this land with the Father's glory;

Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow,

Flood the nations with grace and mercy;

Send forth your Word, Lord,

And let there be light!

Lord, the light of your love is shining,

In the midst of the darkness, shining;

Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,

Set us free by the truth you now bring us.

Shine on me, shine on me:

Chorus

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As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.

Shine on me, shine on me:
Chorus

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

DR. JAEYONG LEE

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!

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.

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.

Thank you for your giving! However you choose to give, we appreciate your faithfulness and support!

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.

It is now time to return your accounts of what you have done with the funds. We are excited to hear your stories! Thank you for all you are doing!

Sunday School Spring Break – Sunday March 8

Sunday, March 8 will be our spring break in Sunday School. Classes will not meet on that day but will resume on Sunday, March 15.

Service of Renewal of Baptism

On Sunday morning, March 1, we have a special service planned. The worship service will focus around a Renewal of Baptism. This is a most appropriate service for the Lenten Season, and a very special time of worship!

SEE ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS ON THE INSERT!!!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (FEBRUARY 23—MARCH 1, 2020)

THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS: TUES. & WED. 10:00—2:00

IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865

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.

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—March 1, 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 16, 2020 WORSHIP	
Monthly Budget	<u>\$ 23,058</u>	Worship Service	174
Prior February Offering	\$ 12.508	Year to Date Average	137
Offerings during the week	928		
Offerings on Sunday, February 16	<u>4,973</u>		
Cumulative February Offerings	<u>\$ 18,409</u>		
Year to Date Offerings	<u>\$ 41,628</u>		