

Welcome

Gathering Prayer

Holy and Gracious God, as we enter this season of Lent, open us to you and to one another. May we find wisdom that comes through faithfulness, may we trust your steadfast presence with us in our journey, and may we see your glory revealed in our world and in our lives. Amen.

Sung Response

**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.**

Scripture Psalm 32 (responsively)
 John 11:1-44

Sermon

Hymn What Wondrous Love Is This #223

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity

Offering Song

**All praise to the Father
from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, the Chosen One,
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

Prayer of Dedication

**God of new life, as Jesus raised Lazarus from the
dead, renew and restore us to new life, leaving in
the grave all that prevents us from loving you fully
and seeing your glory revealed. Amen.**

Announcements

Hymn Lord Jesus, Who Through 40 Days #211

Blessing

*Procrastination is like a credit card: it's a lot of fun until
you get the bill.*

- Christopher Parker

*Grace is but glory begun, and glory is but grace
perfected.*

- Jonathan Edwards

Keep in Prayer

Pastor Wayne, Dan Lindenberger,
Lewis Poths, Linda Stark, Rollie Homan,
Jane Sanders & Bob Sanders
(sister & brother of Jean King),
Our Shut-ins: Eloise, Allen, Carol

Offering: May be left in the basket in the back.

Announcements

Worship Sponsor: Betty Rhoad

Ally Support Group, Monday, March 3, 6:30pm

Palm Sunday, March 29
with Sunday school Palm Parade

Maundy Thursday Worship, April 2, 7pm

Easter Sunday, April 5, 9:00am
Easter Breakfast & S.S. Egg Hunt after worship

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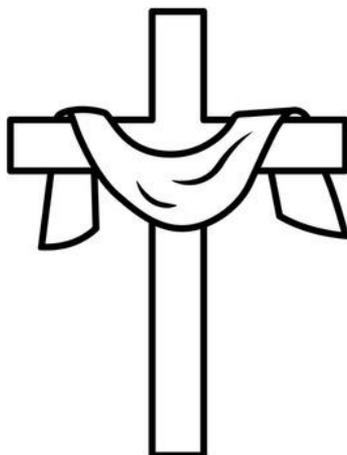
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Welcome to the
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Changing Lives to Change the World



Season of Lent
February 22, 2026

Psalm 32

¹ Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

² Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no
iniquity
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³ **While I kept silent, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.**

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

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

⁶ **Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you;**

**at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.**

⁷ **You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

⁸ I will instruct you and teach you the way you should
go;

I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹ Do not be like a horse or a mule, without
understanding,

whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,
else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰ **Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in
the Lord.**

¹¹ **Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**