

Today's Ministers

Presider: Vicar Aaron
Preaching: Vicar Aaron
Assisting Minister: Mary Braudrick
Crucifer: Steve VanAtter
Acolyte: Carl Radke
Reader: Jeff Henderson
Children's Message: Steve VanAtter
Music: Bryce Leifeste
Audio/Streaming: Larry Mills
& Elizabeth Schnabel

Greeters: Leiningers
Ushers: Nancy & Jeff Henderson
Altar Guild: Darrel & Peggy Miller
Counters: Edith Hannett & Bryce Quarve
Fellowship: Jacksons
Bread: Beth Rasgorshek
Wine: Phil Cronk
Eternal Candle: Phil Cronk
Flowers: Greens

Next Week's Ministers – March 01

Presider: Vicar Aaron
Preaching: Vicar Aaron
Assisting Minister: Mary Braudrick
Crucifer: Cedar Hilger
Acolyte: Zander Radke
Reader: Steve VanAtter
Children's Message: Vicar Aaron
Music: Bryce Leifeste
Audio/Streaming: Bryce Quarve
& Elizabeth Schnabel

Greeters: Karen Bair & Penelope Smith
Ushers: Radke Family
Altar Guild: Cathy Winwood
Counters: Andrew Hanson & Lloyd Kellar
Fellowship: **TBD**
Bread: Beth Rasgorshek
Wine: Julie Haugen
Eternal Candle: Julie Haugen
Flowers: Greens



First Sunday in Lent
Year A, Setting 4
February 22, 2026

WE GATHER TOGETHER

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Guide to the Bulletin

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GATHERING HYMN

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW #325

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

¹⁵ The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

^{3:1} Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" ² The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.' " ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die, ⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

IN OUR PRAYERS

For healing: Colton
Monica Perez
Alex Witherspoon
Cody
Addie
Michelle Dombeck
Shawn Houston
Heidi Baldwin

(Fran & Elwood's grandson – brain tumor)
(friend of Edith Hannett – in need of a kidney)
(healing from traumatic brain injury – Amanda Hanson)
(Youth with heart condition – Emily Bentley)
(Teenage Crohn's disease – Cathy Winwood)
(health concerns – Linda Dombeck)
(upcoming surgery – Linda Dombeck)
(health issues – Carr family)

For Andrew & Grandpa Norm
For Allissa Smiley
For Mitchell family
For Daughter in Iowa
For Sarah Klahn-Braudrick

(from Elizabeth Schnabel)
(mourning loss of husband Joe – Mary Helen)
(mourning loss father Malcom – Mary Helen)
(searching for Nurse Practitioner job – Mary B)
(new job)

People in the Armed Services:

Brett Collins
John C. Collins II
Bill MacDonald
Amanda Love

(grandson of Helen Collins – Marines)
(grandson of Helen Collins – Navy SEAL)
(Navy)
(Cathy Winwood's Niece – Army)

*Prayer concerns will be removed after two months on the list
unless you let the office know otherwise.*

CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

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| Today | 9:00 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 1:00 pm | Sunday School Worship (Noisy Offering) Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) Spanish Pentecostal Service |
| Tuesday | 12:00 pm 2 – 4 pm | Al-Anon (Sunday School room) Study Group (Koinonia Room) |
| Wednesday | 6:15 pm 7:00 pm | Soup Supper Lenten evening service |
| Thursday | 6:30 pm | Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall) |
| Friday | 7:00 pm | Spanish Pentecostal Service |
| Saturday | 10 am & 4:30 pm | 2C Kitchen Meals |

NEXT WEEK

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PSALM: Psalm 32

R: ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

C: ² **Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

R: ³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

C: ⁴ **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

All: Mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

R: ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

C: ⁶ **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

R: ⁷ You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

C: ⁸ **“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.**

All: Mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

R: ⁹ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.”

C: ¹⁰ **Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.**

R: ¹¹ Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

All: Mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Romans 5:12-19

Through Adam’s disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ’s obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

¹² Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned ¹³ for sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law.

