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Sunday Worship
9:00AM
Sunday School
& Bible Class
10:30AM

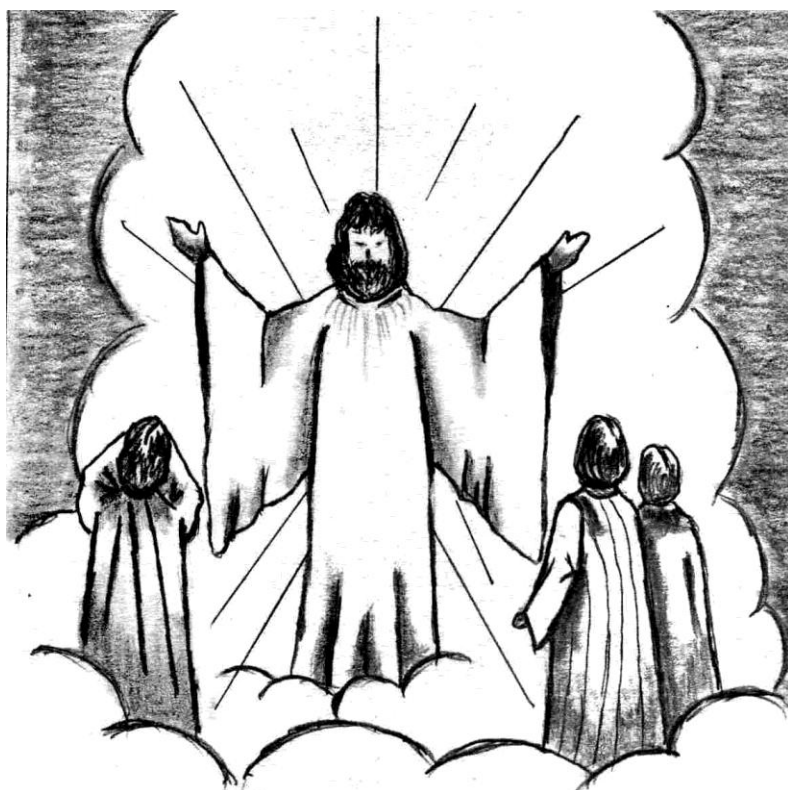
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MARCH 2, 2025
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

*And when the Voice had spoken,
Jesus was found alone.*



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“Caring For People By Connecting Them With Christ Jesus”

WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN as we gather for worship of our loving God, who spared not His own Son, but put Him upon the cross in payment for our sins. May all that we give and receive this day resound to His honor and glory. Members and especially GUESTS are urged to complete the registration card located in the pew rack. If you are visiting with us, we cordially invite your return. Our Pastors will be happy to speak with you.

**THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE – LSB page 184
+ In Nomine Jesu +**

The Sacrament of the Altar will be celebrated today. Grace Lutheran practices closed communion, for God's Word teaches and we believe that communicants receive the very body and the very blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine. God's Word also teaches and we believe that one who eats and drinks while denying the real presence and the benefits and blessings of the Sacrament, eats and drinks judgment upon himself. As the Christian Church is charged with the responsibility of "stewardship of the mysteries of God," we therefore ask that all who are not communicant members of Grace Lutheran please speak with one of our Pastors before communing. Our Pastors will assist you in becoming a communicant member through instruction in all the articles of faith, give you an opportunity to publicly confirm your faith, and shepherd you as a member in good standing of this congregation. Those guests who are members in good stead of a sister Missouri Synod congregation and have previously spoken to our Pastors need only sign a communion card which is located in the pew. We trust that all will respect God's Word and our practice in accordance with its teachings.

THE PRELUDE

THE HYMN OF PRAISE ***"The God of Abraham Praise"*** # 798: vs. 1-4

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE (Left Column) page 184-185

The Introit (*Psalm 84:1-2, 9, 11; antiphon: Psalm 84:4*)

P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,

C: Ever singing Your praise!

P: How lovely is Your dwelling place,

C: O LORD of hosts!

P: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;

C: My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

P: Behold our shield, O God;

C: Look on the face of Your anointed!

P: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.

C: No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,

C: Ever singing Your praise!

The Gloria Patri - Kyrie
The Gloria in Excelsis
The Salutation and Collect of the Day
The Lessons and Responses

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THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

34 Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is across from Jericho. And the Lord showed him all the land of Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the South, and the plain of the Valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. ⁴Then the Lord said to him, "This *is* the land of which I swore to give Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have caused you to see *it* with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." ⁵So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. ⁶And He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth Peor; but no one knows his grave to this day. ⁷Moses *was* one hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished. ⁸And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. So the days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses ended. ⁹Now Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him; so the children of Israel heeded him, and did as the Lord had commanded Moses. ¹⁰But since then there has not arisen in Israel a prophet like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, ¹¹in all the signs and wonders which the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, before Pharaoh, before all his servants, and in all his land, ¹²and by all that mighty power and all the great terror which Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

THE ANTHEM

"The Transfiguration of Christ"
-Aaron Garber

Adult Choir

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Hebrews 3:1-6

3 Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus, ²who was faithful to Him who appointed Him, as Moses also *was faithful* in all His house. ³For this One has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as He who built the house has more honor than the house. ⁴For every house is built by someone, but He who built all things *is* God. ⁵And Moses indeed *was faithful* in all His house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which would be spoken *afterward*, ⁶but Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 9:28-36

²⁸ Now it came to pass, about eight days after these sayings, that He took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹ As He prayed, the appearance of His face was altered, and His robe *became white and glistening*. ³⁰ And behold, two men talked with Him, who were Moses and Elijah, ³¹ who appeared in glory and spoke of His decease which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³² But Peter and those with him were heavy with sleep; and when they were fully awake, they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him. ³³ Then it happened, as they were parting from Him, *that* Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. ³⁴ While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were fearful as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!” ³⁶ When the voice had ceased, Jesus was found alone. But they kept quiet and told no one in those days any of the things they had seen.

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THE POSTLUDE		

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Elders – Justin Henderson, Mike Flake, Aubrey Jaster, Mark Moerbe
Acolyte – Wyatt Tompkins
Usher Team – Steve Malek
Organist – Rev. Lee Kunkel
Altar Guild Assistants – Dorothy Holle (Communion Ware)
Susie Thaler (Paraments)



**From
the
Pastor**

Every Pastor worth his salt seeks to know the condition of his flock. Please make sure to inform the church office of any health-related issues in need of Pastoral care.

It is a blessed opportunity and privilege to serve the true Body and Blood of Christ to those saints unable to approach the altar. God continues to bring such saints to Grace. Therefore, we humbly ask worshipers to consider leaving the back row open for those needing Holy Communion brought to them in the Divine Service.



We rejoice today as we welcome Magdalena Obersat into membership of Grace from Ebenezer Lutheran.

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: Luke 9:36 – *“And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.”* Moses and Elijah point to Jesus, speak about Jesus and His sacrifice, and then are happy to fade into the background. They know that what we need is Jesus. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives comes into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place. Or as Jesus Himself said, “Seek first the kingdom of God ... and all these things will be added unto you” (Matt. 6:33).



Mid-Week Services will be held at 10:00am and 7:00pm, March 5th.

It's time to reserve your Easter Lily to be placed in Church on Easter Sunday. Envelopes for that purpose are in the Narthex and you may designate “in honor of someone” or “in memory of loved ones” or “just because”. The cost is \$13.00 per plant. Please make checks payable to Grace Lutheran Altar Guild. You may place the envelope in the offering plate or turn in to the office. The deadline for ordering plants is April 7, 2025.



Reminder: Please DO NOT take any food or drinks into the Sanctuary. Thank you.

Men's Bible Breakfast is held on Tuesdays at 6:00 a.m. in the Parlor. George Breland is responsible for breakfast this week. Men of the congregation who would be interested in joining the group are encouraged to attend.

Grace Lutheran Ladies Afternoon LWML will meet on Thursday, March 6th at 2:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Hostesses are Mary Lueckemeyer, Debbie Hintz and Rose Marie Prenzler.



Grace Lutheran Ladies Evening Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Hostesses this month are Maudie Bates and Linda McArthur.



Special Concert: *Laudamus*, a select seminarian choir from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, will be in concert proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through music. Two area congregations are hosting them: St. Paul Lutheran Church, Serbin, on Wednesday, March 19 at 10:30 a.m. and Immanuel Lutheran Church, Giddings, on the same day, March 19 at 12:10 p.m. For more information please visit the website: csl.edu/laudamus

Media publications by Grace pastors are posted on our website. Just go to <https://www.glcsbren.org/media> and you'll find plenty of theological content for your listening and watching pleasure. It's a great gift to those looking for a dose of confessional theology during the busy week.



Looking for the church calendar? Last week's bulletin? Can't remember a church officer you need to contact? Want to watch a church service? Listen to a podcast? Friends in Christ, check out the website at www.glcsbren.org. It has all these things and more for the benefit of God's blessed people at Grace and also those looking to see what Grace Lutheran Church is about.

Thrivent Member Reminder: Choice Dollars for 2024 need to be directed by March 31st

Copies of the March Newsletters are Available in the Narthex



Choir Loft Piano Replacement - The Yamaha CVP-909 will be a wonderful addition to our music program and will greatly improve our ability to provide music during our worship services. Please check your narthex mailbox for details on how you can help with this important enhancement to our worship services. Read the proposal carefully and consider a contribution to the Grace Lutheran Music Fund in order to help fund the purchase of this instrument. If you have questions not answered in the written proposal, Pastor Kunkel will be glad to speak with you. Total amount of donations received as of 2/23/24 is \$3,345.00



Grace Lutheran School 2025 Spring Gala
Saturday, March 29, 2025
5:00pm at the Brenham Fireman's Training Center

Invitations have been delivered to church member boxes and tickets are on sale now. Tickets will be available in the school office through March 14th. We will also be selling tickets after service through Sunday, March 9th.

We are also needing items for both the live and silent auctions! Items we are looking for include: Vacation home stays, Fishing or hunting trips, Themed dinners, Sports and outdoor items, Gift cards, Electronics, Tickets to events, Goods and services, Home décor, and more!

For Auction questions, please contact:
Brittany Hartfield at 361-550-5040 or britt0711@gmail.com

Thank you for your support of the school and PTL.
We can't wait to see you at this year's Gala!

Birthdays This Week:

Today 3/2 – Eddie Colanter, Nichole Gandy

Mon. 3/3 – Marilyn Schroeder

Tue. 3/4 – Ronnie Hinze, Rev. Matthew Jacobs

Wed. 3/5 – Chad Gandy, Rev. Lee Kunkel, Matthew Moerbe

Thurs. 3/6 – August Degner

Fri. 3/7 – Olivia Schuller

Sat. 3/8 – Linus Barbisch



Coffee and Doughnuts:



Today – The Colanter Family

Next Sunday – The Hart Family

GRACE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

INFORMATION NIGHT

MARCH 31, 2025 @ 6PM

1212 W. Jefferson St. Brenham, TX 77833

WHY CHOOSE US?

Grace Lutheran School is committed to developing a complete, well-rounded student with exceptional critical thinking skills and a firm belief in Jesus Christ.

Open for Registration

March 3, 2025

CLASSICAL CURRICULUM

- Veritas Press: Omnibus
- Ecclesiastical Latin I-IV
- Biology, Chemistry, Physics
- Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II
- Fine Arts
- Home Economics



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Grace Lutheran Building Fund

- In Memory of Laura Raitz given by Delphine & Sandra Addicks, Daphyne Clowers

Grace Lutheran School

- In Memory of Walter Schlabach given by Darrell & Cheryl Meier

Grace Lutheran Caring Ministry

- In Memory of Lynnette Voskamp given by Judy Studhalter of

Grace Lutheran High School

- In Memory of Zachary Thomas Gore given by Morris & Kathy Faske

Grace Lutheran Music Fund

- In Memory of Darlene Hermann Heckmann given by David & Lynette Dahmann
- In Memory of Larry Joe Koch given by David & Lynette Dahmann
- In Honor of Fred & Gladys Hein's 30th Anniversary given by Fred & Gladys Hein

ATTENDANCE

February 23: 262

Sunday School: 31 Teachers/Staff: 10 YABC: 3 ABC: 83 Visitors:

OFFERING

General Fund - \$6,545.00

Radio Ministry - \$

Missions - \$

Building Fund - \$110.00

Memorials - \$1,105.00

Other – \$1,225.00

You Have a Place at Grace

“This is My Body...This is My Blood”—Jesus.

Teaching confirmands can be a rewarding experience when they're engaging the material and becoming passionate about the topic. Recently the topic was the 6th chief part of the *Small Catechism*, the “Sacrament of the Altar.” After laying some groundwork, going through definitions and even dabbling in grammar, I asked the question: “so, if a pagan takes the Lord’s Supper, does he receive the Body and Blood of Jesus?”

Boldness isn’t exactly lacking in junior high kids, and so I wasn’t surprised at the hands for the question. After going around the room, I took a tally of answers. The majority was a “no” to a couple who said “yes.” The chief reason behind the no’s could be summed up as this: the pagan has no faith and thus doesn’t receive the goods. But the first student to answer “yes” argued differently, making the case that since these are the words of Jesus, we get what He says. It’s dependent on His Word, not us. The blessed kids who said “no” are good to sense the problem of pagans receiving something holy and even the need for faith. There’s a right way to receive the sacrament, but the wrong way doesn’t invalidate it. Nadab and Abihu learned this the hard way when offering profane fire to the God of all holiness (Leviticus 10). God determines and makes holy objects by His Word, a tenet of the Old Testament that carries on into the New.

Confessional Lutheranism has always maintained the *mandicatio indignorum*, the doctrine that unbelievers eat and drink the Body and Blood of Christ. This comes from the understanding of Jesus’ words in the Supper, that the bread and wine are what He says for us Christians to eat and drink. Faith doesn’t determine reality but receives real gifts from God’s hands. Once again, we find objective comfort in Christ *extra nos*, “outside us.” We look outside ourselves to the things of God pertaining to His salvation which He gives through Christ alone.

When we feel the weight of our sin, the pains of despair, struggles with vice, and the threat of temptation, the heart is the last place for refuge. God calls us to Himself, eyes fixed on His Word, His gifts, His promise to take what He gives: “This is My Body...this is My Blood.” No fakery, no empty symbolism, but the real Christ and His saving merits—that’s what you get in that Meal for those baptized believers having exactly what He says: “the forgiveness of sins.”

By Rev. Ryan J. Ogrodowicz,
“You Have a Place at Grace,” March 2, 2025

Grace Lutheran Prayer Concerns **For Church and Home**



Members are encouraged to pray for each of the individuals on this list both in the times we gather together for worship and in our daily prayers.

"I urge first of all that, requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone.... This is good and pleases God our Savior." – 1 Timothy 2:1&3

Members of Grace who are hospitalized, ill, or have on-going needs

Upcoming Surgery: Marilyn Schroeder, hip replacement – 3/5/25

Recovering from Surgery: Gary Finke, hip replacement - 1/28/25

Prayers for Healing: Mary Ann Hrnicko; Linda Tarver; Ruth Duvall; Pastor Jacobs; Nancy Boecker, macular degeneration of eyes; Linda Wellmann; Charlie Blake; Freddie Wellmann; Bonnie Wellmann; August Degner

On-going Needs: Shirley Boeker, Glenn Brenner, Russell Chambers, Onis Finke, Clarence Gaskamp, Butch & Ann Goldberg, Hanson family loved ones, Donald Hendrickson, Richard Jacobs, Karen Markwardt, Diane Merkel, Benjamin Moerbe, Kenneth Muchow, Blake Sacre, Lisa Steck, Vernell Thane;

Members of Grace in Nursing Homes or Homebound



Florence Boehnemann, B.Y. Boeker, Russell Chambers, David Diver, Kurt Duvall, Ruth Duvall, Geraldine Gloyna, Reuben & Darlene Grassl, Al Novosad, Harold Rietz, Lee Rogge, Sonny Schulte, Dorine Stoelke, Linda Tarver



**Those Who are Serving our Country
in the Armed Forces**

- Lt. Col. Matthew Moerbe – son of Mark & Anita Moerbe;
U.S. Air Force, stationed at the Pentagon
- LTC Erich Roberts – son of David & Rose Roberts;
U. S. Army, stationed at Ft. Moore, GA
- Senior Airman Trenton Rylee Rutledge – grandson of Freddie & Linda Wellmann;
U.S. Air Force; now in North Dakota
- PFC Riley Baugh – grandson of Pastor & Tina Holzer;
U. S. Army, stationed at Ft. Bliss, TX
- SSGT Terrell Felder – son of Larry Felder;
U. S. Air Force, stationed at Goodfellow AFB, TX
- Cole Frazier – grandson of Tom & Doris Magee;
Offutt AFB, Nebraska
- 1LT Ivan R. Degner – grandson of August & Jo Ann Degner;
is serving in the 11th ACR at Ft. Irwin, CA.
- Sloan Snead – granddaughter of Allan & Colleen Symmank,
Navy Medic, stationed in Jacksonville, Florida (right now)
- SN Dylan James Hicks – grandson of James & Karen Studhalter
Just finished boot camp for Navy, stationed in Great Lakes, IL

Those Serving in the Mission Field Abroad

- Rev. Charles St-Onge & Family
Rev. Samuel Bobby & Family serving in Latvia
Rev. Micah Wildauer & Family
Pastor James May & Family serving in Kenya with Lutherans in Africa
Rev. Dr. David Preus & Family, serving in Romania, LCMS Eurasia Regional Dir.



Friends of our Congregation



Elaine King – niece of Billie Rogas
Harris Kubos, Jr. and Toni Navarre – friends of Eunice Drews
Blanche McMullen – sister-in-law of Billie Rogas
Tim Andrews – neighbor of Knodt's & Roberts'
Regan, Lesley & Beckett Adams – cousins of Joe Green
Marjorie Schroeder, sister; Janis Stayton, sister-in-law; Rick Hammitt, nephew (ALS);
Travis Bartay, grandson (Diabetes I) – relative of Shirley Boeker
Brynley Frazier – great-granddaughter of Magee's
Carolyn Zibilski, Mark Marburger, Dean Winkelmann, Scott Hodde
– friends of Johnnie & Marilyn Schroeder
Betty Maltby – aunt of Mike McArthur, sister of Mildred McArthur
Janice Eckhardt – daughter-in-law of Jimmie Eckhardt
Marcie Brighton – mother of Elizabeth Schuller
Kathy Hudson – mother of Tim Hudson
Rebecca Dahmann – sister-in-law of the David and Michael Dahmann families
Delano Klausmeyer - very good friend of Judy Rudloff
Gloria Hanath – sister of Eunice Drews – prayers for healing
Deonna Moses – daughter-in-law of Dorothy Moses – diagnosed with cancer
Tom Insley – friend of Michael & Kimberly Parks, cancer
Hank Voelter – grandson of Don & Karen Voelter, battling leukemia
Sherree Pence – niece of Delphine & Sandra Addicks, diagnosed with cancer
Donnie Eckhardt - son of Jimmie Eckhardt, Kimberly Parks' brother
Tricia Kelm – friend of Richard & Diane Merkel
Edna Parks – mother of Michael Parks
Ernest Ware – friend of Cristine Weige, stroke, prayers for healing, long hard recovery
Caleb Reid – grandson of Alan & Linda Reid, still has issues, please pray for him and family
Tammy Hill – daughter of Elroy & Bonnie Wellmann – diagnosed with cancer
Bill & Peggy Miller – Johnnie Schroeder's sister & brother-in-law (prayers for healing);
Troy & Kathleen Schroeder - Johnnie & Marilyn Schroeder's son & daughter-in-law (prayers for healing)
Stacie Erickson – daughter of Charles & Jean Blake
Lincoln Tiemann – friend of the Grawunder family – heart condition
Coy Goodwin – friend of Lance & Ashley Jahnke
Matthew Merritt – nephew of August & JoAnn Degner - stroke on 12/5 – is in Rehab in Colorado
Delores Guthman – mother of Diana Stephens – prayers for healing, cancer
Terry Morrison – brother of R.D. Morrison – battling cancer
Bill Odom - friend of Brian Wawarosky – healing
Tate Wellmann – great grandson of Freddie & Linda Wellmann, NICU Tx Children's, Houston
Valerie Schiller – friend of David & Lynette Dahmann - healing prayers, surgical complications
Don Fairman – son of Anita Fairman – begins radiation treatments week of 2/24/25 – 2/28/25

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|| *Please review this Prayer List and notify the Church office of any changes.* ||

|| *We would like this list to be as up-to-date & as accurate as possible.* ||

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This Week at Grace...

Today, March 2

9:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

The Transfiguration of Our LORD

Worship w/Holy Communion
Confirmation
Sunday School & Bible Class

Monday, March 3

8:15 a.m.

(Isaiah 40:1 – 41:29)

Chapel

Tuesday, March 4

6:00 a.m.
8:15 a.m.
6:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

(Isaiah 42:1 – 43:28)

Men's Breakfast
Chapel
PTL Meeting
Elders Meeting

Wednesday, March 5

10:00 a.m.
4:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

(Isaiah 44:1 – 45:25)

Ash Wednesday Service – Choir/Presto
Confirmation
Choir Practice
Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, March 6

8:15 a.m.
8:30 a.m.
2:00 p.m.

(Isaiah 46:1 – 47:15)

Chapel
Ladies Bible Study
Ladies Afternoon Circle

Friday, March 7

8:15 a.m.
3:00 p.m.

(Isaiah 48:1 – 49:26)

Pastor Ogradowicz's Day Off
Chapel
Vespers

Saturday, March 8

(Isaiah 50:1 – 52:15)

Sunday, March 9

9:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

The First Sunday in Lent

Worship w/Holy Communion
Confirmation
Sunday School & Bible Class

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Rev. Ryan Ogradowicz – 530-2260

Rev. Isaac Schuller – 408-817-0358 Rev. William H. Holzer – 251-7036

Mr. John Young (Congregational President) – 661-0596

Mr. Aubrey Jaster (Elder's Chair) 421-2748

Mr. Casey Voskamp (S. S. Superintendent) – 251-2498

Mrs. Debbie Hintz (Caring Ministry Contact) – 203-3470
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