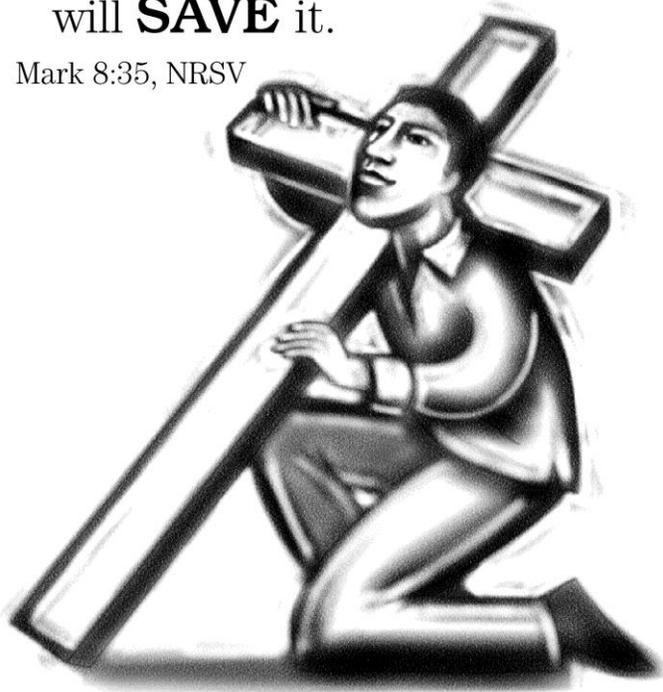


Those who want to  
**SAVE** their life will **lose** it,  
and those who **lose**  
their life for my sake,  
and for the sake of the gospel,  
will **SAVE** it.

Mark 8:35, NRSV



## Second Sunday in Lent February 25, 2018

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Pam Illick, Pastor



Welcome to all – especially visitors!!! **It is no accident that you are here today!** You are an answer to our prayer. We have been praying for you, and believe that God has brought you here because God wants to touch your life.

If you need some help to make your worship with us more accessible, please see an usher for assistance. A transport chair and large print bulletins are available if you have need for them.

*The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.*

Lutherans believe that the bread and wine of Holy Communion are signs given by God that Christ is fully present among us. We invite you to participate in receiving this miraculous presence. If you are unable to receive either the bread or the wine, be assured that even in the words, Christ is present to you. You are welcome to come to the Table to be fed and nurtured with us.

*(Communion record cards are available in the pew racks.)*

**GREETINGS** - Take a moment to check in on Facebook! Feel free to share your worship experience via social media, too

**PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION**

**GATHERING**

*Please stand.*

**\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- ☞ During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

*Tome for reflection.*

Merciful God,

- ☞ you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We fail in love, neglect justice, and ignore your truth. Have mercy on us and wash away our sin. Create in us clean hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

- ☞ Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation. Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

☞ Amen.

#### \*PEACE

*We greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

- ☞ The peace of Christ be with you always.

☞ And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

#### \* GATHERING SONG *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* (ELW 324)

#### \*GREETING

- ☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☞ And also with you.

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☞ Let us pray.

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer

shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☞ Amen.

*Please be seated.*

### WORD

#### FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17

*As with Noah, God makes an everlasting covenant with Abraham and Sarah. God promises this old couple that they will be the ancestors of nations, though they have no child together. God will miraculously bring forth new life from Sarah's old womb. The name changes emphasize the firmness of God's promise.*

℣ A reading from Genesis.

<sup>1</sup>When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. <sup>2</sup>And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup>"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

<sup>15</sup>God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

℣ The word of the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM: Psalm 22:23-31

<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

<sup>24</sup>**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

<sup>26</sup>**The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

<sup>28</sup>**For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.**

<sup>29</sup>Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

<sup>30</sup>**Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

<sup>31</sup>They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

## SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

*Paul presents Abraham as the example for how a person comes into a right relationship with God not through works of the law but through faith. Though Abraham and Sarah were far too old for bearing children, Abraham trusted that God would accomplish what God had promised to accomplish.*

☒ A reading from Romans.

<sup>13</sup>The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>Hoping against hope, he

believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

<sup>22</sup>Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup>Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup>who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

☒ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

*Please stand to welcome the Gospel.*

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## \* GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

*After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter's response indicates that he does not yet understand the way of the cross that Jesus will travel.*

☒ The holy gospel according to Mark.

☑ Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.<sup>32</sup> He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.<sup>33</sup> But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* (ELW 325)

**\*CREED** (*Assembly stands.*)

**P** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

## **\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*After each petition the congregation will respond:*

**C** hear our prayer.

*Please be seated.*

## MEAL

## OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

## THANK AND TELL

**\*OFFERTORY** *Please stand.*



pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

- A** Merciful God,
- C** receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the

pas - chal feast, that re - newed in the gift of bap - tism,

we may come to the full - ness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,

we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

☐ In the night in which he was handed over,  
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.

Remembering, therefore,  
his life, death, and resurrection,  
we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food  
and on all the baptized gathered for this feast:  
wash away our sin,  
that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.

☑ Amen

## \*LORD'S PRAYER

☐ Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

☑ 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.

## \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

☐ Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey,  
drink for the desert.

*The assembly is seated.*

## COMMUNION

### PLEASE NOTE THAT TODAY WE WILL RECEIVE COMMUNION BY INTINCTION.

- ***To receive communion***, come up the center aisle at the direction of the ushers. We offer both common cup and individual cups which are filled from the pouring chalice. Cups are available on the table at the head of the aisle. After receiving the bread, proceed to the pouring chalice or the common cup to receive the wine. Return to your seat by the side aisle.
- ***If you prefer to receive a blessing***, come forward with your bulletin.
- ***If you would like to have communion brought to your seat***, please indicate your wish to one of the ushers, and the pastor will come to you.

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

Amen.

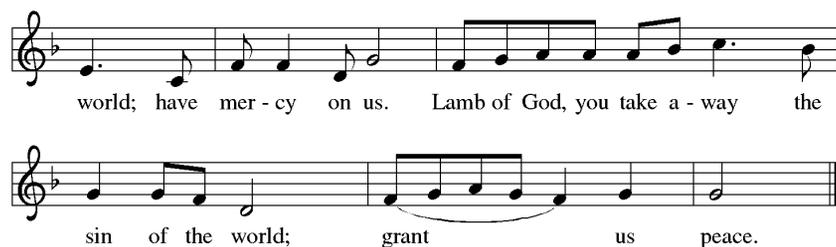
## COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



**\*TABLE BLESSING** *Please stand.*

☞ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve us in eternal life.

☞ **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

☞ Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

☞ **Amen.**

**SENDING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*BLESSING**

☞ The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

☞ **Amen.**

**\* SENDING SONG and FAVORITE HYMN OF JUNE**

**ECKER: *How Great Thou Art* (ELW 856)**

*"It always brings tears to my eyes. It brings back memories of going to church with my parents. It also there is a lot about nature in it."*

**\*DISMISSAL**

☞ Go in peace. Share God's message of love through your words and actions with others

☞ **We will. Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

*Worship is ended: our service begins.*



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**Mission Statement of Trinity Lutheran, Rouzerville:**

Build, strengthen and increase our faith community to better love and serve God – and the world community – with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

**Our Vision:**

TLC is a flourishing, Spirit-filled, Christ-centered home for all.



**– PRAYER AND SUPPORT –**

**Remember to write the name(s) of persons for whom prayer is needed on the pad in the rear of the church!** The names will be included in the Intercessory Prayers this morning. If you forget to put someone's name on the list, there is an opportunity to say the name during the prayers.

**Special prayers for:** those suffering from addictions, their families, and those who work to help them

**College Students:** Remember Madi Kreitz in your prayers!

**GenNow Disciples:** Hailey Sherman, Taylor Sherman, Kellan Stevens, Taylor Kuhs, and Darius Kuhs

**– UPCOMING EVENTS –**

**LUNCH BUNCH** goes out on Sundays after worship for lunch (except on Sundays when we have Coffee & Conversation).. Please join us **today** at **Café del Sol** for the fellowship as we enjoy lunch together.



**SAVE THE DATE:** Our annual Church Picnic will be on August 5 at Pine Hill Recreation Area. If you would like to be on the Picnic Committee, please contact June Ecker at 717-794-2013.

### - STEWARDSHIP -

*Sharing the abundance of God's gifts to us of time, talents and wealth with others*

**STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET: Exodus 20:8-11** – Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work – you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

*Take one day off per week – God's orders! God spends FOUR verses to tell us to keep the sabbath day holy. It's that important! Holy stewardship of our lives means we take time to refrain from work. So chill out! It's literally a sin not to!*



### **KITCHEN RENOVATION FUND:**

Help us fill up the pot!! Our goal is \$8,000 for the renovation of the kitchen. Watch the progress on the “coffee pot chart” at the rear of the sanctuary. The current total is approximately \$4,335.

**BUILDING FUND ENVELOPES** are available on the windowsill near the sanctuary entrance. Please use them to make your Kitchen Renovation Donation! Mark your envelope for the **Kitchen**.

**2018 SPONSOR CHARTS** for flowers, bulletins and sanctuary lamp candles are available on the **Stewardship Bulletin Board** in the hallway off the narthex. The sanctuary lamp candle sponsor spaces are on the altar candle chart.

### - FAITH FORMATION -

**MY FAVORITE HYMN:** We will be singing someone's favorite hymn each Sunday beginning with the first Sunday in Lent, February 18. If you have not gotten to complete a “My Favorite Hymn and Why” card, let an usher know. Fill out your card and return it in the offering plate. You **MUST** include your name **AND** the reason this is your favorite hymn!!!

**LENTEN STUDY:** Our church will join with St. Mary's Episcopal, Transfiguration Episcopal and Calvary Episcopal for a study on “Forgiveness” during Lent. We will meet Wednesday evenings at 7:00 based on the following schedule:

- Feb. 28: Transfiguration in BRS
- March 7: Here at Trinity
- March 14: Calvary in Beartown
- March 21: Service of Forgiveness and Healing at Transfiguration
- March 29: Dinner Church for Maundy Thursday here at Trinity

If you would like to come, but driving at night is a problem, please let Pastor Pam know so that we can work out transportation for you! I can take 4 people in my car.

**KID TIME SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Last Sunday the kids had a science lesson during Sunday School!!!! They learned about how salt changes water. The new curriculum we are trying is really great! It sure isn't the “old timey” sit-in-a-chair-and-do-paper-and-pencil kind of Sunday School many of us remember. The kids get to experience how the Bible intersects everyday life! They may do science, cook, craft, create games or art or many other ways that incorporate what they are learning. Each Bible story (which is covered for 3-6 weeks) will feature a primary verse that the kids will be asked to memorize. With the variety of activities and fun, it never gets boring!!!

**- TELC MISSION WORK FOR NEAR AND FAR -**

**MEANDERING MARTIN!!** He is ready for any adventure you'd like to take him on! He is waiting patiently in the narthex. Choose either the paper Martin or the wooden Martin, follow the simple instructions, take along a Martin Luther biography to get to know him better, and show our monk the beauties of God's world. He will not protest.

**BLESSING BOXES:** The boxes on the outside wall beside the church entrance doors are for reaching out to our community with love and kindness. One box will serve as a library and the other as a pantry. It is time to fill them up!! It's easy! Bring what you can and put your donations in the designated box at the rear of the sanctuary and we'll fill the Blessing Boxes as needed. Folks can take what they need and replace it when and if they can. Examples for donations would be any type of book that will fit in the library box. The pantry box will be for non-perishable foods. **DURING THIS TIME OF SEVERE COLD AND FREEZING CONSIDER DONATING THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF ITEMS: boxed mac and cheese, granola bars, cereal, instant oatmeal packets, foil packets of tuna, meals in a cup to which you add water, jerky, and other items that won't be hurt if they freeze.** Anything suitable that will keep well and fit in the box. Let's show people we are a caring congregation.

Last Sunday **Trinity's honey bee project** began. The project ends on Easter Sunday, April 1. This is the final year of a five-year campaign for hunger (Remember mosquitoes and pigs and chickens?) The five year goal is \$200 million by 2019. Trinity's goal this year is \$400. Each gift of \$20 will provide training for skills needed to manage apiaries and package and market the honey. For each \$20 received, one bee will be added to our hive. There are yellow envelopes on the back window. After you put in \$20, place the envelope in the offering plate. We now have gifts totaling \$80 that will be used for training and supplies for beekeeping. Coloring a bee picture will cost \$1. It will take 20 pictures to add one bee to our hive. You may buy a bee picture before or after church each Sunday in the hallway. After you color the picture, bring it back to the sales table and we will add it to our picture display.



**- February 25–March 3 -**

- Sunday .....12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch at Café del Sol
- Wednesday ..1:00-3:00 p.m. - Wednesday in the Subway
- Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies
- Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Study - Transfiguration, Blue Ridge Summit

**- March 4-10 -**

- Sunday ..... 9:30 a.m. - Youth Class & Adult Forum
- Sunday ..... 10:45 a.m. - Holy Communion
- Sunday .....12:15 p.m. - Lunch Bunch at China Maple
- Monday..... 6:30 p., - Evangelism Committee
- Wednesday ..1:00-3:00 p.m. - Wednesday in the Subway
- Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m. - Creative Christian Ladies
- Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Study - Trinity



**- Our Stewardship -**

	Current Fund
Last Week	\$530
Year to Date	\$18,112
Attendance Last Sunday - 22	
Does Not Include E-Giving Offerings	

**- Current Income/Expenses -  
To December 31**

Income	\$158,643
Expenses	\$124,142
Above reflects \$100,000 bequest and e-giving offerings.	

**- SERVING THIS MORNING -**

Ministers.....The Disciples of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
(1 Peter 2:4-10)

Pastor Pam Illick ..... Presiding Minister  
Hailey Sherman ..... Assisting Minister  
Carol Snyder ..... Lector  
Brenda Rice, Jenny Rice, Rhonda Rice ..... Musicians  
Amy Dennis ..... Usher  
Kat Dennis ..... Usher  
Linda Fleagle ..... Usher  
Judi Rice ..... Usher  
Sherri Kayhoe & Carol Snyder ..... Altar Care  
Jon Fleagle ..... After-Church Lock-up  
Earl Duffey & Rusty Kreitz ..... Offering Tellers

**- MARCH 4 -**

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**Six Marks of Discipleship**  
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- Our Mission -

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God's work. Our hands.