

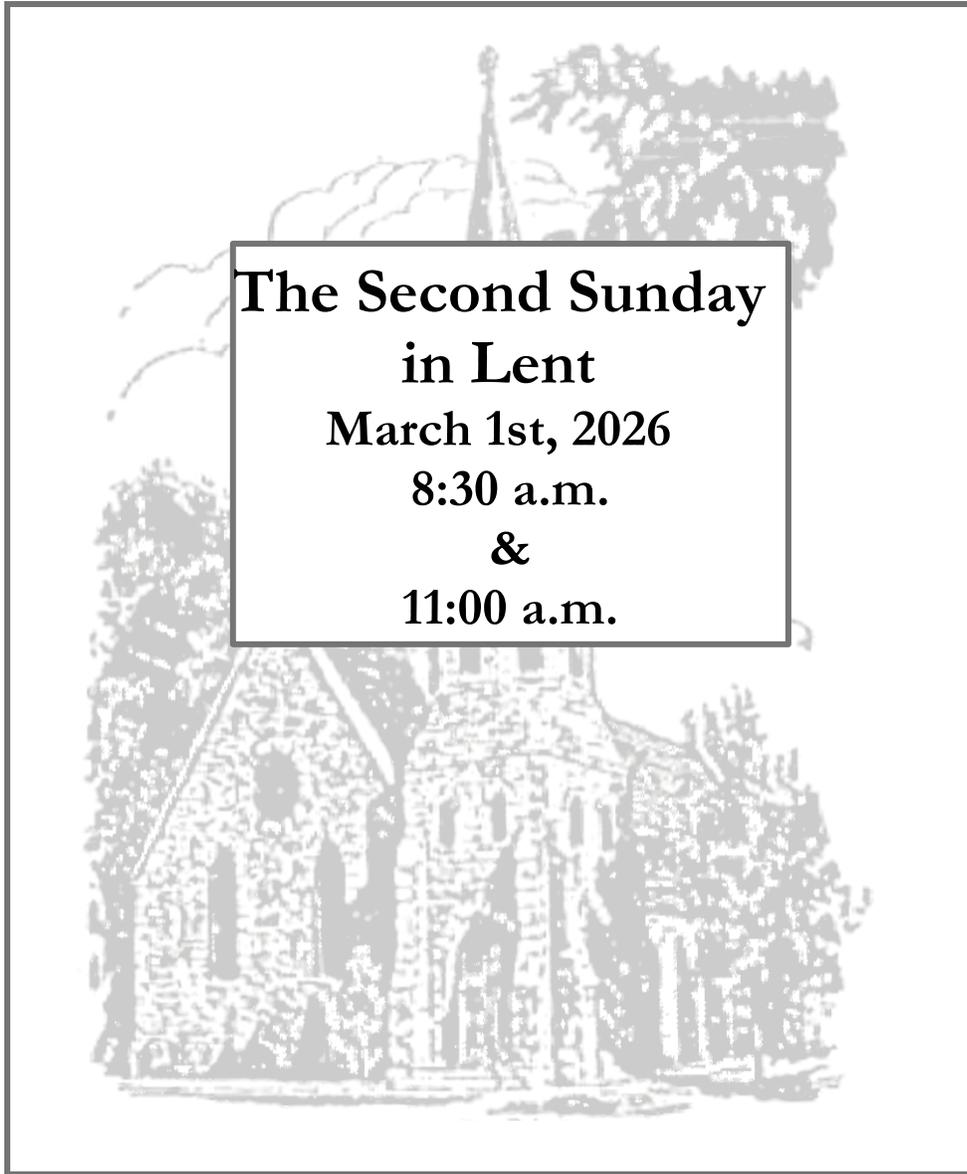


ST. JAMES

Episcopal
CHURCH

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We acknowledge that our church is on the historical Common Hunting Ground of the Pend d'Oreille, Salish, Blackfeet, Gros Ventre, Shoshone, Bannock, Nez Perce, Cheyenne, Arapahoe, and Crow Tribes.



**The Second Sunday
in Lent
March 1st, 2026
8:30 a.m.
&
11:00 a.m.**

Wherever you are on your journey with God or towards God,
you are welcome here!



WELCOME TO ST. JAMES!

ARE YOU A NEWCOMER?

Welcome! If you're new to St. James, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card so we can get to know you a little better. Welcome Cards are located in the racks at the end of each pew and in our newly updated welcome folders! Please feel free to take a folder with more information about St. James and our ministries as well as some other goodies. Welcome Cards can be returned to an Usher, member of the Clergy, or put in the offering plate.

NEED A NAMETAG?

If you need a nametag made (or corrected or refreshed) you can either sign up on the clipboard in the entry way of the church or email the office at office@stjamesbozeman.org.

COFFEE HOUR

With our new service schedule, Coffee Hour is now between our two services and runs from approximately 9:30 am to 10:30 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Sundays at 10:45 am

Children from PreK-5th are welcome to join us for Sunday School each week in the lower level of the Todd Center, located next door at 111 S. Tracy. If your child is a little older or a little younger, check in with our Sunday School teachers first.

PRAYER SHAWLS

If you know of someone who would be blessed by receiving a St. James prayer shawl, please feel free to take one from the rack at the front doors of the church.

PASTORAL CARE LINE

Please direct calls to our Pastoral Care Line at **(406) 586-9451** to be connected with the clergy person on call. Pastoral care includes hospital and home visits, eucharistic visitors, meal trains, and more.

PARKING

Sunday morning parking is available in the Canterbury Lot at 8 W. Olive from 8am – 1pm for free. Please reach out to office@stjamesbozeman.org for validation during the week and to be added to our system.

BULLETIN FEEDBACK

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CLERGY, STAFF, & VESTRY

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Acolyte: Ty Sherwood; Senior Acolyte
Minnie Johnson; Acolyte
Readers: 8:30 – Michael Fox
11:00 – Lucy Peterson
Eucharistic Minister: 8:30 – Stacy Quinn
11:00 – Deana Bailey
Ushers: 8:30 – Ron Hoseth, Cindy Shewey
11:00 – Lorelei Dawson, Lucy
Peterson
Coffee Hour: Judy & Bob Farrington
Altar Guild: Dale Bray, Julie Videon
Counters:

PRELUDE

8:30am "Praeludium XVI in G Minor"

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

11:00am "Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word"

arr. Paul Manz (1919-2009)

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

"I to the hills will lift mine eyes" (BURFORD)

H82 668

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **His mercy endures forever.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Let us pray together:

All: **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

TRISAGION

8:30 *Spoken 3 Times*

Holy God,
Holy and mighty,
Holy Immortal One
Have mercy upon us.

S278 | 11:00 *Sung*

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.
 Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.
 Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader: Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 121 *Levavi oculos*

8:30 *Spoken* | 11:00 *Chanted by a cantor*

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 4:15,13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For 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. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

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, 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.

Reader: Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

“Breathe on me, Breath of God” (NOVA VITA)

H82 508

THE GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Rowan J. Larson

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand in body or in spirit

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,**

of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear our Prayer

Heavenly Father, fill all those who lift their heart to you with a spirit of rebirth, that we might find your joy and pour it out for others in your name. Answer us as we say, **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the church universal, for our understanding of your holy word to increase and our ability to live the life of service you demand of us to be a source of peace and joy. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all nations, that all governments, authorities, and leaders might sacrifice their own desires and power to benefit those with no power. May we become united in our work toward peace, security, and service to the least of these. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world itself, for this earth and all your creation, that we may all work together to repair the harm we have done and to discover new, more sustainable ways of life. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer, for those in trouble and despair, for those who are ill and frightened, for those who are grieving, anxious or hopeless. We pray that those in greatest need may feel you close about them. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our own lives and the needs of those we love. We pray for those we do not know and for those we have neglected or harmed. Be mercifully present to us and to all. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the departed, for those who are dying and for all those who watch and wait with them. May light perpetual and joy unending be theirs to claim. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Lord, like Nicodemus we do not fully understand the mysteries of your love, and we sometimes willfully ignore the truth of your word. Bring us again into new life lived in you and share with us the joy of your eternal kingdom. To you, to the Son and to the Holy Spirit we pledge our lives. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **Most merciful God,**
we confess that 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.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS, TRAVELERS, AND ANNIVERSARIES

Lord God, our times are in your hand; look with favor we pray on your servants, surround them with your love and care, protect them from every danger, keep them safe in the knowledge of your love. This we ask through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

8:30am

“Hope”

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

11:00am

“Psalm 121”

Robert Powell (1932-2025)

Unto the hills I lift mine eyes;
from whence doth come my aid?
My safety cometh from the Lord,
who heav'n and earth hath made.

He will not let they foot be moved,
He will not fall asleep,
For he that watches Israel
will thee in safety keep.

The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy shade
on thy right hand doth stay.
The moon by night thee shall not smite,
nor yet the sun by day.

From evil he shall keep thee safe,
and shall thy strength restore,
and guard thy going out and in,
both now and evermore.

**Praise God throughout these forty days;
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise;
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.**

*While the table is being set, your financial gifts will be received by the ushers
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Please stand as the doxology begins and the monetary offering is brought forward

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

(Eucharistic Prayer B, *Book of Common Prayer*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

8:30 *Spoken*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power 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.

“Holy, holy, holy”

11:00 *Sung* | S122

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
power and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

MASS 18/MARTENS

Celebrant:
We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and

Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. James and all the saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All:

Traditional

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemporary

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Grant us your peace.

8:30 *Spoken*

“Lamb of God”

11:00 *Sung* | S160

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

MASS 18/MARTENS

THE INVITATION

The Celebrant offers the consecrated bread with the following invitation:

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please let the priest know if you need a gluten-free wafer.

We ask that you do not intinct (dip your wafer into the chalice).

Communion is full and complete in one kind if you prefer not to receive the chalice.

*If you do not wish to receive the bread or the wine, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing,
indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION HYMN

“Sweet Hour of Prayer” (BRADBURY)

LEVAS 178

“As long as the deer for cooling streams” (MARTYRDOM)

H82 658

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray together:

All: **Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE COMMENDATION

Celebrant Grant to your people, Lord, grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only true God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord” (LYONS)

H82 637

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People : **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

8:30am “Fuga XVI in G Minor”

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

11:00am “Forty Days and Forty Nights”

arr. Beatrice A. Miller (1923-2015)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
Second Sunday in Lent (March 1st , 2026)

GIVING MYSTERY

St. James recently received a generous donation through LPL Financial. If that's the financial institution you use to donate to St. James, and you did so in January, please let us know so we can match you to your donation!

ADULT FORMATION OFFERINGS

Sunday Lenten Study: offered on Sundays in Lent between the services (at 10am in the St. James Guild Room) and led by Deacon Lynne. We will be reading *Living Well Through Lent*, free copies of which can be picked up in Rev. Valerie and Deacon Lynne's office!

Wednesday Lenten Study: offered on Wednesdays (March 4th, 11th, and 18th) from 10:30-11:30am in the St. James Guild Room. Focuses on studying and praying with the Parables of Jesus.

Friday Night Book Discussion: Last Book Group! Friday, March 13th, from 6-8p.m. in the Parish Hall. We will discuss *The Tears of Things* by Richard Rohr. Please email Pr. Valerie at vwebster587@gmail.com with questions.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Tues	Mar 3	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (IHOP)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Parish Hall)
Wed	Mar 4	10:30 a.m.	Wednesday Lenten Study (Guild Room)
Thurs	Mar 5	6:15 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Guild Room)
Fri	Mar 6	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Evensong (Sanctuary)
Sun	Mar 8		DAYLIGHT SAVINGS (Clocks Spring Forward)
			Third Sunday in Lent
		8:30 a.m.	Early Service
		9:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)
		10:00 a.m.	Adult Formation – Living Well Through Lent (Guild Room)
		11:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Todd Center)
		11:00 a.m.	Late Service
		7:00 p.m.	Taize Lent Service (Sanctuary)