

The Chapel in the Pines

March 2, 2025

*Serving our Community by Preaching, Teaching,
and Living the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

The Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday



Gathering Music

The Chiming of the Trinity

The Prelude

The Concerns, Celebrations, and Prayers of our Chapel Family

The Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

**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.**

***The Call to Worship**

We are here in darkness, yet Christ beckons us to the light.
Come, Lord Jesus, lead us.

Selah

Shadows of doubt and fear cloud our lives.
Bring us to your radiant Glory, O Christ.

Selah

Free us from our fears, so that we can step into the light.
Open our eyes, our hearts, our spirits, to receive your glory.

Selah

***Hymn** #262 Holy, Holy, Holy

- 1** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2** Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
- 3** Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy - there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.
- 4** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Amen.

***The Passing of the Peace**

The grace and peace of our Lord and Savior
Jesus the Christ be with you all...**and also with you.**

The Passing of the Welcome Pads



The Call to Confession

The Prayer of Confession

**We want to celebrate. We don't want to listen.
We want to stay on the mountaintop with Jesus and set up a festival
where everyone can come and play and have a good time.
But you have called us to "Listen to Him!"
You have asked us to be ready for the journey.
We cannot stay where we are,
comfortable and snuggled down in the familiar.
There is much to be done.
Forgive us, Lord, when we are stubborn and willful.
Remind us that you are with us, wherever we are.
You call us from the mountaintop
to go to the valley where there is struggle and strife;
where healing is needed.
Prepare us, Lord, for the journey.
Help us to listen to you. Heal us, Lord.
For we ask this in Jesus' Name.**

The Declaration of Forgiveness

The Call to the Offering

The Offertory

***The Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***The Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn** #25 Immortal, Invisible God

- 1** Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious - Thy great name we praise.
- 2** Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3** To all, life Thou givest - to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest - the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish - but naught changest Thee.
- 4** Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render - O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Amen.

Prayer of Illumination

A Reading from the Epistles 2 Corinthians 3:12-18

*We are transfigured by the Spirit of the Lord
in ever-increasing splendour into his own image.*

The Choir's Anthem

A Reading from the Gospels Luke 9:28-43

*And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed,
and his clothes became dazzling white.*

The Homily Our Full Potential

The Eucharist

The Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Congregation singing...

***Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face.
Here would I touch and handle things unseen.
Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.***

It is right and a good and joyful thing
always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God.
You created Heaven and Earth and made us to be your people.
Your glory settled on Mt. Sinai
when you gave Moses the laws for your people;
glory, shining like a blazing fire for all the people below to see.
Like them, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,
we praise your name and join in this unending hymn:

Congregation singing...

***Here would I feed upon the bread of God.
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven.
Here would I lay aside each earthly load.
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.***

Holy are you and blessed is your son Jesus Christ.
In the midst of teaching and healing,
Jesus took a day apart
and went up onto a high mountain with Peter, James, and John.
Your glory settled on Jesus, making him to shine like the sun...
telling the disciples that this Jesus was your son, the Chosen.
We seek to listen to him
and we remember him now in the meal he gave us,
and we proclaim our faith.

Congregation singing...

***I have no help but Thine, nor do I need
another arm save Thine to lean upon.
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed.
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.***

O God, on the night before he died,
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, took bread,
and after giving thanks to you, he broke it
and he gave it to his disciples saying, "Take. Eat.
This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.
And, in the same way he took the cup, saying,
"This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood,
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

Congregation singing...

***Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness.
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood.
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace.
Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord, my God.***

The Communion of the People

***The Prayer after Communion**

***The Charge and Benediction**

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

- Carl P. Daw, Jr.

***The Choir's Reprise**

***The Postlude**



Prayers for Chapel Friends:

Hear Our Prayers



Patty and Jack Madden, Judy Karp, Phil Westerman, Nancy Cecchini, Phyllis Mahin, Gerry Crow, Holli Schweyher, Rev. Gary Sawtelle, David Tourt, Roger Racster, Walter Hundley, Janet Hegeman, Jean Schmidt, Rev. Bill and Marty Bruner, Dick Barry, Jackie White, Noah Presley, Tom Early, Cindy Hess, Lyn Garbarino, Jim Robinson, Carol Dunn, Mary Faas, Dapte Jay Kirit, Dwight and Faye Jessup, Baby Kendrick Goins, George Restrepo, Cathy Pope, Maggie Craft, Rev. Harry Bronkar, Charlie and Margo Talkowski, Ann Grunke, Jose Shavek, Amy Klein, Adrian Cimek, Sally Conlon, Andy Mark, Sidney Ruffin, the Howard Family, and Dr. Bill Hinson.

Prayers for Chapel Family:

Rev. Charles Hinson, Bud Holzerland, Dave Westerman, Butch & Mary Kay Allen, Glenda and Jo Clendenin, Mary Tuft, Phil Thingstad, Mama Dot, Mary Willetts, Bob Tourt, Lee Connelly, Kathy Steele, Shirley Percival, Peggy Olson, Sue Van Horne, Bart Reuter, Jane and Jeff Lowe, Paul Infuso, and Jimmy McCaskill on the loss of his cousin.

March Announcements

Looking Ahead!

Sunday-March 2	9:00 am	Transfiguration of Our Lord Sunday Holy Communion
Wednesday-March 5	2:30 pm	Fran's Friends
	4:30 pm	Chapel Choir
	5:00 pm	Ash Wednesday
Thursday-March 6	3:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study
Sunday-March 9	9:00 am	First Sunday in Lent
Wednesday-March 12	4:30 pm	Chapel Choir
Thursday-March 13	3:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study
Friday-March 14	10:00 am	Mission Team
Sunday-March 16	9:00 am	Second Sunday in Lent
Wednesday-March 19	4:30 pm	Chapel Choir
Thursday-March 20	3:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study
Sunday-March 23	9:00 am	Third Sunday in Lent
Wednesday-March 26	4:30 pm	Chapel Choir
Thursday-March 27	3:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study
Sunday-March 30	9:00 am	Fourth Sunday in Lent

Coffee Fellowship

March

- 3 - 02** Alice McPheeters & Helen School
- 3 - 09** Marily & Jimmy McCaskill
- 3 - 16** ***Volunteer Needed***
- 3 - 23** ***Volunteer Needed***
- 3 - 30** ***Volunteer Needed***



Altar Flowers

March

- 3-02** ***Volunteer Needed***
- 3-09** ***Volunteer Needed***
- 3-16** Stuart Moss
- 3-23** ***Volunteer Needed***
- 3-30** Paul James



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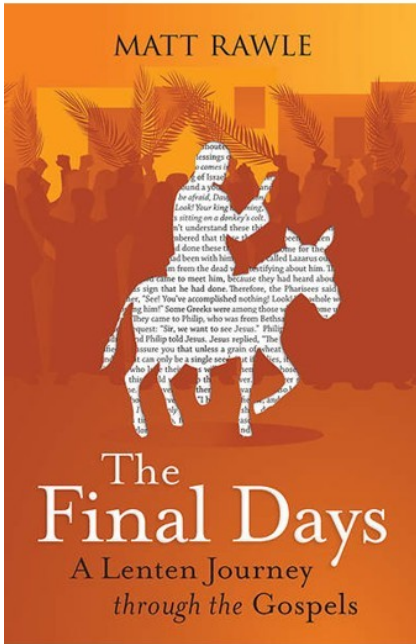
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The Final Days; A Lenten Journey through the Gospels

*The four New Testament gospels aren't the same story,
but they offer the same resurrection hope!*

The authors of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John devote a great portion of their gospels to telling the story of Jesus' last week in Jerusalem. All of them highlight Jesus' passion, but the stories they tell aren't quite the same. Each gospel offers a different lens through which we might understand the events of Jesus' final days. These different perspectives aren't a reason to question or dismiss the gospels, rather they reveal an abundant, diverse, and complementary picture of God's purposes in the suffering, death, and resurrection of Christ.

You are invited to this small group Bible study so that together we might engage with the tension and beauty found within the diverse perspectives of the gospels as we recall Jesus' final days.

- Session #1** - Meet You at the Flagpole
- Session #2** - Looking for a Messiah
- Session #3** - The Passion According the Mark - "Yes, I am"
- Session #4** - The Passion According to Matthew - "You have said so..."
- Session #5** - The Passion According to Luke - A New Covenant to Remember
- Session #6** - The Passion According to John - A Word that Weeps

This study will meet on consecutive Thursday afternoons at 3:30 for 75 minutes beginning on March 6th. The lessons are based on a book by Matt Rawle who is an author, an international speaker, and the Lead Pastor of Asbury UMC in Bossier City, Louisiana. The class is limited to 18 persons (if I receive more than 18 registrations I will open a second class). A \$10.00 donation is suggested...but not required...to cover the cost of the teaching materials.

Because Matt has done such a thorough job with the production of the videos that accompany each session there will be no need for you to purchase his book.

Everyone is invited so please invite family, friends, and neighbors to join us. Please register by March 2nd by filling out this form and dropping it in the offering plate or by giving Susan a call in the Chapel office. (910) 400-5188

Name: _____

Email address: _____

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The Final Days

Ash Wednesday The Imposition of Ashes/Lenten Devotions Begin	March 5 5:00
The Final Days Bible Study Meet You at the Flagpole	March 6 3:30
The First Sunday in Lent	March 9 9:00
The Final Days Bible Study Looking for a Messiah	March 13 3:30
The Second Sunday in Lent	March 16 9:00
The Final Days Bible Study The Passion According to Mark	March 20 3:30
The Third Sunday in Lent The Sacrament of Holy Communion	March 23 9:00
The Final Days Bible Study The Passion According to Matthew	March 27 3:30
The Fourth Sunday in Lent	March 30 9:00
The Final Days Bible Study The Passion According to Luke	April 3 3:30
The Fifth Sunday in Lent	April 6 9:00
The Final Days Bible Study The Passion According to John	April 10 3:30
Palm Sunday	April 13 9:00
Maundy Thursday The Sacrament of Holy Communion Covered Dish Soup, Bread, and Dessert Supper	April 17 5:00
Good Friday The Stripping of the Church	April 18 12:00 Noon