

*“Be faithful in small things  
because it is in them that your  
strength lies.”*



*Sunday, March 9, 2025*

Music Prelude

Bell Tolling - Welcome to Worship (*\* = all who are able, please stand*)

Prelude

\*Call to Worship

When we call on the Lord, God will answer.

**God will be with us in trouble to rescue and honor us.**

Let us make the Lord our refuge, the Most High our dwelling place.

**Let us worship God.**

\*Hymn of Gathering “10,000 Reasons”

*Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.*

\*Gathering Prayer (unison)

**Spirit of the wilderness, our refuge and fortress, our God, in whom we trust – as we begin our Lenten journey, sustain us with your presence. Through whatever tests and trials we face, inspire our minds and guide our bodies. As you filled and strengthened Jesus to withstand challenges, keep us rooted in the promises of your word so that we may resist temptation and glorify you. With reverence and delight we pray. Amen.**

\*Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

Scripture Reading Isaiah 40: 26-31

Luke 4: 1-12

Children’s Moment

Song of Reflection “Come O Fount of Every Blessing” Black Hymnal, #459

Sermon “Re: Fresh” Rev. Tracey Harris

\*Song of Response      “Spirit of the Living God”      Black Hymnal, #283

Offertory

Return to me with all your heart, says the Lord. As we enter the season of Lent, may we bring all of who we are back to God.

Offering Song      “Great Is Your Faithfulness”      Black Hymnal, #423

\*Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,*

*Praise God above, you heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Almighty God, as Jesus was tempted in the wilderness and overcame through the Holy Spirit, we offer these gifts as a testament to our trust in your provision and guidance. May they be used to strengthen your work in the world and to help those who are struggling. Bless these offerings that they may be a source of hope, truth, and renewal for all who receive them. Amen.**

Community Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Faith in Action

\*Song of Sending      “Everlasting God”

\*Commission and Blessing

We set down our gifts before you God, and now we go out to share them with the world. May your name be glorified!

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*Benediction

Music Postlude

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**USHERS.** . . Ron & Betty Schippers  
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**NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR.** . . Connections  
**COUNTERS** . . . Martha Cooley and Ron Schippers



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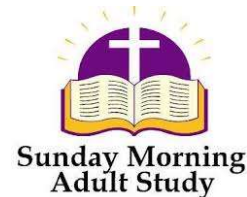
Misc. Boxed Potatoes (i.e. scalloped potatoes, au gratin potatoes)  
Tuna Helper          Canned Tuna          Boxed instant Jello mix  
Jelly (plastic jars please)          Condiments (mayo, mustard, ketchup)

## Bible Study



Tuesday evening at 7 pm and Wednesday morning at 9 am.  
Bible Study is held in the Conference room. Please bring your bibles.

**Sunday mornings after Worship Sunday  
School is held in the Hospitality Room**



MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
ROCK n ROLL BINGO - FRIDAY, APRIL 11  
Doors open @ 6:00 pm.  
Bingo begins @ 6:30 pm.  
Tickets are on sale now.



Please contact the Church Office email to purchase tickets OR  
sign up on the church office window. A flyer with details is  
located on the Church Office window.

## Friedens Fun Event: **Dogwood Social in O'Fallon**

**Saturday March 29 @ 2:00 pm**

2601 State Hwy K, O'Fallon, MO 63368

Come join us and watch the blues game as a group in honor of Travis Wolfe. The cost of food/drinks/games will be the responsibility of each family/individual. The restaurant requires a credit card for each order, but the bill can be paid in cash. The church has reservations for 35 people.

A sign up sheet is located on the church office window.

Lenten Dinner & Devotion

@ 5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 12

Wednesday, March 19

Wednesday, March 26

Wednesday, April 2

Wednesday, April 9



**Sunday, April 13**



Christian Education is taking donations of **CANDY** to fill the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 13 after Worship.

Please place your donations in the basket by the Church Office. Deadline for donations is Sunday, March 30. Thank you.

