



St. Jude's Episcopal Church

Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others

February 22, 2023
Ash Wednesday
7:00 pm Service



----- A Special WELCOME to all! -----

We are pleased to have you worship with us this morning and hope you feel warmly welcomed.

Masks are STRONGLY recommended but not required. If you forgot your face covering, masks are provided on the sign-in table.

Please make sure to leave us your name and contact information for contact tracing purposes. The lists will be kept in the church office so we can notify you to isolate for 14 days should anyone in attendance test positive for Covid-19.

Hand sanitizing stations are located throughout the worship space.

If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become a part of the
St. Jude's Church Community.

Hymn # These hymns are located in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude _____ Voluntary on Two Lenten Hymns, Johnson

Opening Hymn #142 Please stand _____ Lord, who throughout these forty days

Open Acclamation & Collect _____

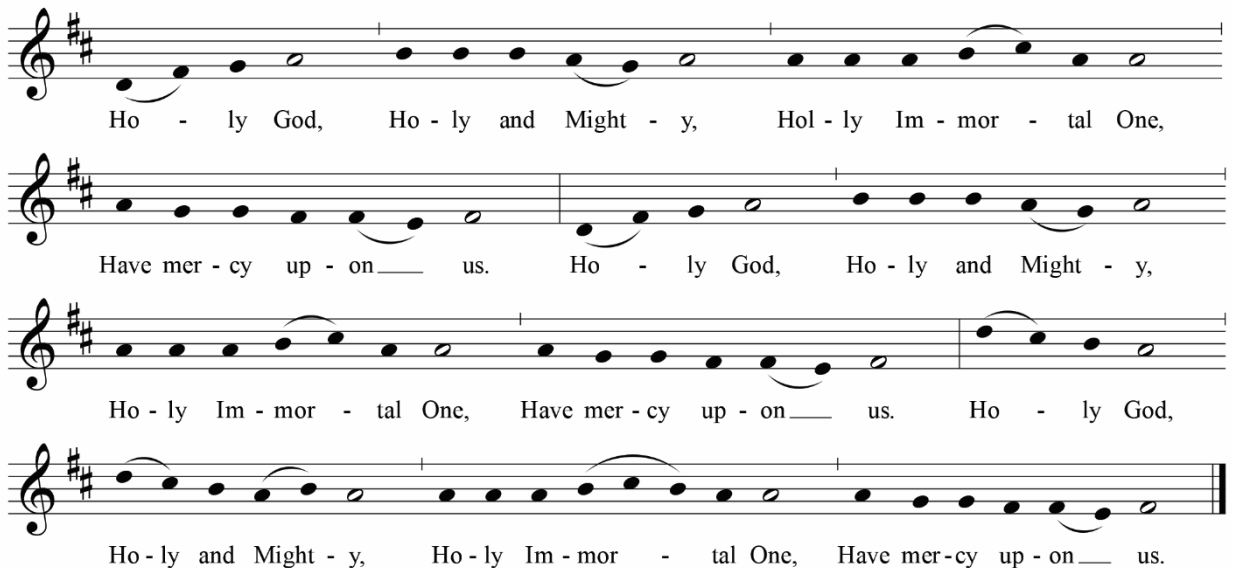
Presider **Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.**

People **His mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

Presider 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.

All **Amen.**

Trisagion _____



Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Hol - 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.

S 100-Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

All Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading *Please be seated* _____ *Isaiah 58:1-12*

Reader A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

"Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?"
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.
Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.
Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.
Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the Lord?

Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

The Psalm ----- 103:8-14

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

- 12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.
- 14 For he himself knows whereof we are made; *
he remembers that we are but dust.

The Second Reading _____ *2 Corinthians 5:20b - 6:10*

Reader A Reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see~ we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn #149 *Please stand & join in singing _____ Eternal Lord of love behold your church*

The Gospel Reading *Please stand _____ Matthew 6:1-6,16-21*

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to
 Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.

"So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,

where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon *Please be seated* _____ The Rev. Mike Marincio

The Imposition of Ashes *Please stand* _____

Presider Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is then kept for a time, all kneeling.

Presider Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth:
Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and
penitence, that we may remember that it is only by your
gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus
Christ our Savior.

All **Amen.**

The ashes are imposed with the following words:

Presider Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

Hymn *Bless the Lord, my soul*

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.

The first line of the hymn is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name." The music consists of eight measures. The first measure has a whole note chord (F2, A2, C3). The second measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3). The third measure has a quarter note (F2) followed by a quarter note chord (A2, C3). The fourth measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3). The fifth measure has a quarter note (F2) followed by a quarter note chord (A2, C3). The sixth measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3). The seventh measure has a quarter note (F2) followed by a quarter note chord (A2, C3). The eighth measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3).

Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

The second line of the hymn continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life." The music consists of eight measures. The first measure has a whole note chord (F2, A2, C3). The second measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3). The third measure has a quarter note (F2) followed by a quarter note chord (A2, C3). The fourth measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3). The fifth measure has a quarter note (F2) followed by a quarter note chord (A2, C3). The sixth measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3). The seventh measure has a quarter note (F2) followed by a quarter note chord (A2, C3). The eighth measure has a quarter note (G2) followed by a quarter note chord (F2, A2, C3).

The Litany of Penitence *Please kneel* -----

All **Most holy and merciful Father:**
We confess to you and to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints
in heaven and on earth,
that we have sinned by our own fault
in thought, word, and deed;
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

Presider We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

People **Have mercy on us, Lord.**

Presider We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

People **Have mercy on us, Lord.**

Presider We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

People **We confess to you, Lord.**

Presider Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,

People **We confess to you, Lord.**

Presider Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

People **We confess to you, Lord.**

Presider Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

People **We confess to you, Lord.**

Presider Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to
commend the faith that is in us,

People **We confess to you, Lord.**

Presider Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for
our blindness to human need and suffering, and our
indifference to injustice and cruelty,

People **Accept our repentance, Lord.**

Presider For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our
neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those
who differ from us,

People **Accept our repentance, Lord.**

Presider For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of
concern for those who come after us,

People **Accept our repentance, Lord.**

Presider Holy Trinity, One God, accept our thanks and praise for all the
blessings of this life, especially for those blessings that our
present circumstances make difficult to see,

People **Hear us, O Lord of Life.**

Presider Knit together in your love all whose relationships have frayed,
that they may find reconciliation and new beginnings,

People **Hear us, O Lord of Life.**

Presider Grant all who turn to you the courage to participate with you in
restoring this broken world to wholeness, that everyone and
everything may share in the hope of your kingdom,

People **Hear us, O Lord of Life.**

Presider Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;

People Favorably hear us, for your mercy is great.

Presider Accomplish in us the work of your salvation,
People **That we may show forth your glory in the world.**

Presider By the cross and passion of your Son our Lord,
People **Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

Presider Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desires not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, has given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardons and absolves all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Peace *Please stand* _____

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

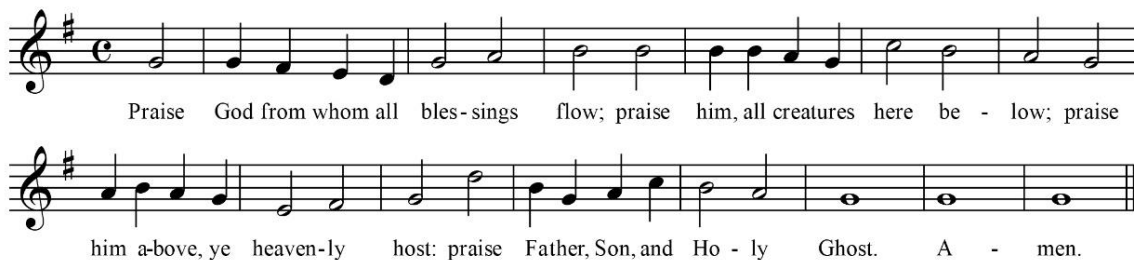
Presider All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

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Offertory Hymn #411 _____ O bless the Lord, my soul

The Doxology Please stand _____



Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise
him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Father, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

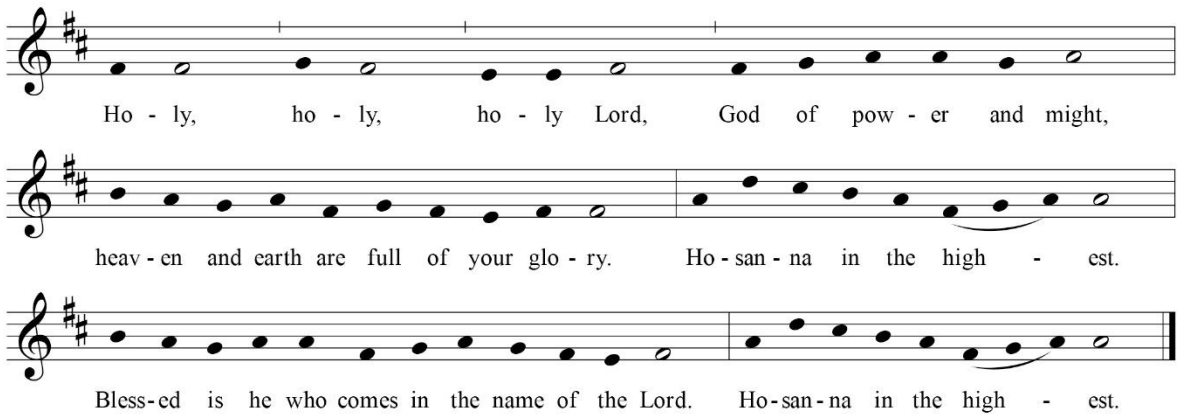
The Eucharistic Prayer _____

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-
where 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 we praise you, 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en 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.

S 124-Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Presider

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

All

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

All 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 forever. Amen.

The Fraction

First Cantor, then all

1. 2.

My flesh is food in-deed, and my blood is drink in-deed, says the Lord. My Lord.

Those who eat my flesh and drink by blood dwell in me, and I in them. My

flesh is food in-deed, and my blood is drink in-deed, says the Lord.

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef. The first staff includes a first ending bracket with two options. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

S 169-Setting: Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950)

Communion *Please be seated* _____

In order to maintain best practices for safety protocols, the following instructions for receiving Holy Communion will be observed:

- No one is obliged to receive. If you would prefer not to receive, please place your arms across your shoulders indicating you would like to receive a blessing. The priest will not touch you, but will extend hands towards you and offer the blessing.
- Only bread will be distributed. Our bread is gluten free. Anglican theologians have long held to the traditional teaching of the church that reception in one kind only (either bread only, or wine only) is a sufficient reception of the fullness of the sacrament; thus, wine will not be distributed.

Communion Music _____

Prayer after Communion *Please stand* _____

Presider

Let us pray.

People

**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.**

Blessing _____

Presider

O God, where hearts are fearful and constricted, grant courage and hope. Where anxiety is infectious and widening, grant peace and reassurance. Where impossibilities close every door

and window, grant imagination and resistance. Where distrust
twists our thinking, grant healing and illumination. Where
spirits are daunted and weakened, grant soaring wings and
strengthened dreams. All these things we ask in the name of
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People

Amen.

The Sending Out

Sending Out Hymn #147 *Please stand _____ Now let us all with one accord*

Sending Out _____

The Deacon dismisses the congregation, after which the people respond:

Thanks be to God!

Postlude _____ *Voluntary on "Now let us all with one accord", Lewis*

SERVING TODAY

LEM(s): Dee Grossmann

Reader/Prayers: Katie Young

Ushers: Dave & Deb James

Altar Guild: Mary Ellen & Mary Louise

Vestry P. of Day: ???

Prayer List

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop Provisional; Judy, our Deacon; for the Search Committee and Vestry.

For Al; Bill; Laura; Rita; Kathy & Tom; Todd; Diane; Sue; Barbara & Joe; Cindy; Cathy; Molly; Sue; Danielle; Linda; Gabe; Rose; Joan; Rex; Jim; Jim; Sharon; June; Barbara & Ed; Carl; Sydne; Becky; Laura; Mike; Randy; Jack; Sherry; Kathy & Tom; Pam; Marsha; Leonard; Ellen; Glenn; Jim; Patti; and Brad.

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Wednesday Morning Prayer on Facebook Live @ 8 am
(5th Wednesdays Morning Prayer on Christ Church, Owosso's Facebook Live @ 9 am)