



Sunday, March 1st 2026
Second Sunday Of Lent

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Call to Worship:**

Rev. Steve Taylor

Children of God, in Lent we remember that our salvation is an unearned gift, that new life is a matter of faith, not of works.

We gather to lay down the burden of trying to earn our salvation.

Like Nicodemus, who met Jesus in the dark of night, we struggle to accept that new life is not just possible but given as a free gift of grace.

We gather to bring our struggles into the light and embrace God's grace with open arms.

Like Paul writing to the Romans, we remember God's promise of new life has always rested on grace.

We gather to receive the promise of salvation by grace through faith.

Like the many who have followed, questioned, and grown in the faith, we submit ourselves to be formed by grace as we work out our salvation day by day.

We gather as people guided by the promise of new life, a promise fulfilled by Christ, whose path we follow.

***Hymn of Praise:**

UMH 580

Lead On O King Eternal

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Songs of Praise**

Praise Band

We Believe

Lead On Good Shepard

*** Offering/Offertory**

Rev. Steve Taylor
Jill Mansfield, Piano

What Wonderful Love Is This

***Doxology**

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!



Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Scripture:	Genesis 12: 1-4 (NIV)	Rev. Steve Taylor
*Children's Moment		Rev. Steve Taylor
*Sermon	<i>Listing Is Important</i>	Rev. Steve Taylor
*Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Steve Taylor

Service of the Word and Table

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*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 formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

*You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us
through the prophets.*

*And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

**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 are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

*Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.*

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

*By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death,*



*and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.
When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,
in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.
On the night in which he gave himself up for us,
he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,
gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."*

*When the supper was over, he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me."
And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.*

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

*Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood.
By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.*

Amen.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**



Giving of the Bread and Cup

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

*We give you thanks, God, for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.
Allow us grace to go into the world, strengthened by your Spirit, to give ourselves for others.
In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen*

***Closing Song**

God Is On The Move

Praise Band

***Sending Forth**

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Postlude**



Announcements and Information

Coming Up This Week At Epworth UMC	
Sunday, March 1st:	
Prayer Gathering West Wing/Chapel	4:00pm
TUESDAY, MARCH 3RD:	
WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY <i>East Wing/Parlor</i>	9:30am - 11:00am
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH:	
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Bible Discussion Group <i>East Wing/Library</i>	5:00pm - 6:00pm
Women's Ensemble Rehearsal <i>West Wing/2nd Floor/Choir Room</i>	6:00pm - 7:00pm
THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH:	
UMW EXECUTIVE MEETING	11:00am - 12:00pm
UMW Lunch & General Meeting	12: 00pm - 2:00pm
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH:	
Daylight Saving Time Starts	
BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP	8:30am-9:00am
SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:00am-10:00am
WORSHIP	10:15am-11:30am
"BOILER ROOM" PRAYER GROUP	4:00pm-5:00pm
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<i>Birthdays</i>	
Mar. 2nd	
Pam Cooper	
James Reyes	
Mar. 4th	
Travis Brauer	
Mar. 6th	
Sherré Brauer	
Paul Horton	
Mar. 7th	
Joan Bummell	
Patricia Lau	
Mar. 8th	
Cindi Lawrence	
Andy Earl	
Nancy Hector	
Robin Irvin	



PLEASE PRAY FOR

U.S. Military	Darleen Hamison	Larry & Sara Jacobson
Law Enforcement	Jim & Rita Roles	Joyce Belville
First Responders	Donna Bingaman	Jeanie Bledsoe
Naomi Dean	Marsha Alexander	Samantha Ehrlich
Randy Holcomb	Lou Parish	Megan Colvin
Linda McClung	Lilly Watson	Yuvanah James
Roy Flugge	Stella Allen	

Euella Spoonemore - Mother of Debbie Clark
Eric Little - Nephew of Suzan Colvin
Jason Little-Nephew of Suzan Colvin
Toni Clive - Sister of Jeanne Mather
David Watson - Father of Benjamin Watson
Jane Clark - Mother of Rev. Kyle Clark
Barbara Taylor - Mother of Rev. Steve Taylor
John Holdeman - Brother of Jeanne Mather
Jeanice McDonald - Sister of Janice Smith
Kim Gaffney - Friend of Rev. Kyle & Debbie Clark
Cindy Blevins - Friend of Brenda Davidson
Terry & Kristy Fancher - Friends of Tim Brauer
Sarah McGovern-Daughter of Judy Jemigan
Kody Williams - Friend of Veda Bush
Brentley Lucas - Daughter of Regina Lucas

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Mornings:

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School All Ages
10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Worship Service
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Prayer Group



You are invited to attend the Lenten Lunch series presented by our community churches starting Feb 18, 2026. Each Wednesday during lent local congregations will be offering lunch at 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm with a brief worship. The following is a list of the locations and who will be preaching.

Feb 18th Location: First Christian Church (202 S. 6th Street)
Preacher: Pastor Brian Clark (New Life Christian Church)

Feb 25th Location: New Life Christian Church (1828 S.13th Street)
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Michael Butler (First Baptist Church)

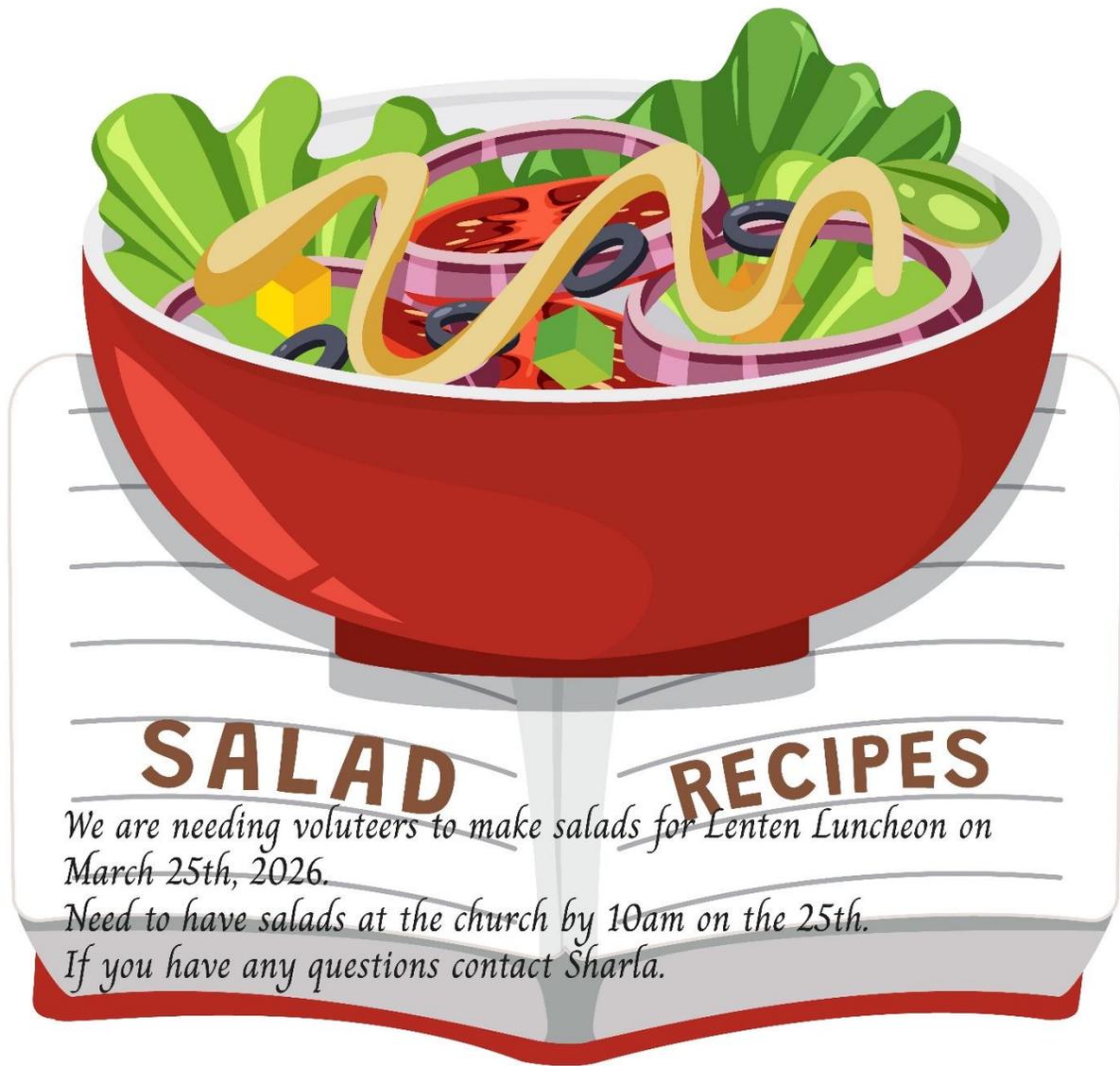
March 4th Location: Holy Name Catholic Church (210 S 7th Street)
Preacher: Father Bill Carlin (St. Luke's Episcopal Church)

March 11th Location: Chickasha First Assembly (3340 S 16th St)
Preacher: Father Michael Wheelahan (Holy Name Catholic Church)

March 18th (Spring Break) Location: St. Luke's Episcopal Church (124 S 6th St)
Preacher: Rev. Steve Taylor (Epworth United Methodist Church)

March 25th Location: Epworth Methodist Church (320 S 4. Street)
Preacher: Rev. Michael Oberlender (First Christian Church)

April 1st Location: First Baptist Church (324 W. Colorado)
Preacher: Pastor Chad Allrad (Chickasha First Assembly of God)



- Something Worthwhile -

An evening of warm Christian fellowship, a delicious meal, delightful musicians, and an inspirational speaker for women and men in the area.

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Epworth United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
(enter the east double doors under the large awning)



Speaker

" Courtney Ivy "

**Topic: "Supporting Brain Health
in our Community"**

Community Educator for the Alzheimer's
Association. Senior Advisor with
Next Level Senior Advisors in Tulsa.

Musicians

**" Reagan & Madison
Elkins "**

From Chickasha - write, perform
and produce original songs.
Perform individually and in bands.
Owners of Intellego Media.



Reservations Required

Deadline -- Friday, April 10, 2026 - 5:00pm

**** Reservations & Cancellations ****

Call or text Judy Parrish - 405.250.2775

\$10 per person - Pay with exact cash or check at the door