

## Upcoming events

- ✧ Bible Study Tue. 10am & Wed. 6:30pm
- ✧ Nursing Home Service Wednesdays 2PM  
at DV Rehab. April 8<sup>th</sup>  
at DV Personal Care. April 15<sup>th</sup>  
at Milford Rehab. April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- ✧ Palm Sunday Mar. 29<sup>th</sup> is Children's Sunday  
with Easter Egg Hunt
- ✧ Easter Chocolate Eggs are for sale.
- ✧ Maundy Thursday Apr.2, 6pm at Fellowship Hall  
Good Friday Apr. 3, 7PM at Holy Trinity
- ✧ Easter Sunrise Service 7:30AM  
at Prayer Grove
- ✧ Would you love to be our church member?  
Please contact pastor Sung.

### 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 the evil one.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, forever. Amen



**March 22, 2026**

**Fifth Sunday in Lent, Year A**

Opening Hymn I "I Sought the Lord" #341

Welcome Pastor Sung

Call to Worship (Katherine Hawker. Adapted)

L: Have we come here today, with the weary hearts, the daily chores,  
and the heavy demands of work?

**P: Although we are overburdened, we have come in search of rest.**

L: May we find here the strength provided by the Holy Spirit.

**P: May we find here the wisdom to walk in the Spirit.**

L: The Spirit of God has called us to a life grounded  
in humble and faithful obedience.

**P: May we find here the wisdom to walk in the Spirit.**

L: Step off the trail of the mundane and into the presence of God.

**P: Let us worship the God who finds us and blesses us. Amen.**

Let us welcome our New Members

Lou Ann & Ross Davis

*We are one in the bond of love! We are one in the bond of love!*

*We have joined our spirit with the Spirit of God,*

*We are one in the bond of love!*

Children's Time

Special Music "Who Is This King?" The Choir

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 9:1-21

"This is the Word of God." **"Thanks be to God."**

Sermon "Journey for Donkeys" Pastor Sung

Centering for Prayer

Silence

Prayer of People (Abigail Carlisle-Wilke. Adapted)

**Lord,  
we come to you,  
from wandering the weary paths of our own making,  
and searching for what was lost.  
We have finally come to you, because you have found us.**

**Gracious God,  
help us not to be so consumed by our own search,  
so that we may not miss your call.**

**Warm our hearts,  
not just for our own comfort, but to empower our service.  
May we reflect your grace in our words and deeds,  
turning our private journeys  
into a your mission of justice and mercy...**

The Lord's Prayer (On The Screen)

Passing the Peace of Christ

"Peace be with you." / "And also with you."

Offering Prayer

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Closing Hymn "I'm Gonna Live So" Insert

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Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 9:1-10 and 15-21

<sup>1</sup> There was a man of Benjamin whose name was Kish son of Abiel son of Zeror son of Becorath son of Aphiah, a Benjaminite, a man of wealth. **2** He had a son whose name was Saul, a handsome young man. There was not a man among the Israelites more handsome than he; he stood head and shoulders above everyone else.

<sup>3</sup> Now the donkeys of Kish, Saul's father, had strayed. So Kish said to his son Saul, "Take one of the young men with you; go and look for the donkeys."

<sup>4</sup> He passed through the hill country of Ephraim and passed through the land of Shalishah, but they did not find them. And they passed through the land of Shaalim, but they were not there. Then he passed through the land of Benjamin, but they did not find them.

<sup>5</sup> When they came to the land of Zuph, Saul said to the young man who was with him, "Let us turn back, or my father will stop worrying about the donkeys and worry about us."

*(continued in the insert)*

<sup>6</sup> But he said to him, “There is a man of God in this town; he is a man held in honor. Whatever he says always comes true. Let us go there now; perhaps he will tell us about the journey on which we have set out.”

<sup>7</sup> Then Saul replied to the young man, “But if we go, what can we bring the man? For the bread in our sacks is gone, and there is no present to bring to the man of God. What have we?”

<sup>8</sup> The young man answered Saul again, “Here, I have with me a quarter shekel of silver; I will give it to the man of God, to tell us our way.”<sup>9</sup> (Formerly in Israel, anyone who went to inquire of God would say, “Come, let us go to the seer,” for the one who is now called a prophet was formerly called a seer.)

<sup>10</sup> Saul said to the young man, “Good; come, let us go.” So they went to the town where the man of God was...

<sup>15</sup> Now the day before Saul came, the Lord had revealed to Samuel:

<sup>16</sup> “Tomorrow about this time I will send to you a man from the land of Benjamin, and you shall anoint him to be ruler over my people Israel. He shall save my people from the hand of the Philistines, for I have seen the suffering of my people, because their outcry has come to me.”

<sup>17</sup> When Samuel saw Saul, the Lord told him, “Here is the man of whom I spoke to you. He it is who shall rule over my people.”<sup>18</sup> Then Saul approached Samuel inside the gate and said, “Tell me, please, where is the house of the seer?”

<sup>19</sup> Samuel answered Saul, “I am the seer; go up before me to the shrine, for today you shall eat with me, and in the morning I will let you go and will tell you all that is on your mind.

<sup>20</sup> As for your donkeys that were lost three days ago, give no further thought to them, for they have been found. And on whom is all Israel’s desire fixed, if not on you and on all your ancestral house?”

<sup>21</sup> Saul answered, “I am only a Benjaminite, from the least of the tribes of Israel, and my family is the humblest of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin. Why then have you spoken to me in this way?”

“This is the Word of God.” **“Thanks be to God.”**

1. I'm gon-na live so (live so)  
 2. I'm gon-na work so (work so)  
 3. I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)  
 4. I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can use me \_\_\_\_\_

— an - y - where, Lord, — an - y - time! \_\_\_\_\_  
 (an - y - time!)

I'm gon-na live so (live so)  
 I'm gon-na work so (work so)  
 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)  
 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can use me \_\_\_\_\_

— an - y - where, Lord, — an - y - time! \_\_\_\_\_  
 (my Lord,) (an - y - time!)