

The Youth Group will meet after the service today.

**Bible Study** will meet Tuesday at 4:00 PM.

All are invited to attend the weekly **Prayer Group** on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM.

**Choir** rehearsal will be Wednesday at 6:00 PM.

Erwin Presbyterian is collecting shoes this month for East Tennessee Christian Home and Academy in Elizabethton. All pairs of shoes are accepted in any condition, except for those with spiked high heels. Shoes should be tied or rubber banded together. A box for collection of the shoes will be located in the narthex. This is an easy way to earn money for ETCHA and helps you clean out your closet.

The scripture readings for Sunday, March 8 (the 2nd Sunday in Lent) are: Genesis 12:1–4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1–5, 13–17; and John 3:1–17.

Elder – Scott Shults

**Session:** Stan Webster, Moderator; Hitomi Lewis, Clerk of Session  
Byron Beard, Susie Biggerstaff, Spud Chaffin, Joe Chambers, Frank Gentry, Dean Masters, Angie Moore, Logan Morrow, Nellie Pate, Ellen Sewell, David Shults, Scott Shults, Vickie Smith, Betty Stevens, Keith Whitson.

#### WELCOME VISITORS

If you are visiting, we are pleased to have you share in our worship and invite you to consider membership. Please sign a GREEN visitor's card and then place it in the offering plate. Following the service, the pastor will be happy to speak with you about any concerns. Prayer requests are welcomed by all.



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March 1, 2020  
First Sunday in Lent

*Leader:* The Lord be with you.

*Stan Webster, Minister*

*People:* **And also with you.**

Welcome & Concerns of the Congregation

Prelude

*Cheryl Wissmann, Organist*

Introit

\*Responsive Call to Worship

*Psalm 32:1-7*

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

**Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

While I kept silence,  
my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not hide my iniquity;

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;  
at a time of distress,  
the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

**You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

\*Hymn "I Am Thine, O Lord" *Green Hymnbook, #552*

\*Apostles' Creed *Red Hymnbook, page 12*

Anthem "The Majesty and Glory of Thy Name"

Congregational Reading *Matthew 4:1-11*

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

**But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"**

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

**Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"**

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

**Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"**

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Minute for Missions *Dean Masters*

Young Disciples' Message

Prayer for Illumination

The Written Word  
*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7  
*People: Thanks be to God!*

The Spoken Word "A Fallen World"

Prayer of Supplication & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer *Red Hymnbook, page 12*

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

\*The Doxology *Red Hymnbook, #544*

\*Prayer of Dedication & Thanksgiving

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Words of Institution

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Bread

The Cup

Communion Prayer

\*Hymn "Amazing Grace" *Green Hymnbook, #343*

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response *(By All)*

**Seek ye first the kingdom of god, and His righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia!**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia!**

\*Postlude *\*Please stand, as you are able.*