

## Calendar

Sun, Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>	11 AM— <b>TENNISON BIRTHDAYS PARTY</b> in <b>TMAC</b> after church! 5 PM—Youth—meet in Gathering Hall for food and devotional time
Mon, Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	11 AM—Chapel Prayer & Communion Service—Broadstreet Chapel
Tue, Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>	10 AM—Bible Study—Fellowship Classroom, Ed Bldg 11 AM—1:30 PM—NTCC Taco Tuesday—Wesley Fellowship
Wed, Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>	5 PM—Praise Band meets in the sanctuary 6 PM—Chancel Choir meets in the sanctuary
Sun, Mar 1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Jan Roesler will be collecting your clean, empty pill bottles for reuse in the mission field. Contact her 903-577-4528</i>

*Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.*  
~ James 5:16, NRSV ~

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Sunday  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup>  
2024

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent



Encountering *Jesus*

# Order of Service - Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## Welcome & Opening Prayer

*Prelude  
Filling the Baptismal Font*

**Song** "Ever Be / Everlasting God" **Medley**

## Children's Time

### Passing of the Peace

*Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.*

### Offertory

*As forgiven and reconciled people,  
let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.*

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### Doxology

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him Above, ye heav'nly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

### The Apostles' Creed, Traditional **UMH 881**

"I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen."

### Gloria Patri **UMH 70**

"Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen."

### Announcements

### Pastoral Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer **UMH 895**

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

**Song** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" **UMH 297**

**Scripture** **Matthew 9:2-8, NRSV** **Suzan Garrett**

And just then some people were carrying a paralyzed man lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven." <sup>3</sup>Then some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." <sup>4</sup>But Jesus, perceiving their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? <sup>5</sup>For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up and walk'? <sup>6</sup>But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" —he then said to the paralytic—"stand up, take your bed and go to your home." <sup>7</sup>And he stood up and went to his home. <sup>8</sup>When the crowds saw it, they were filled with awe, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to human beings.

**Sermon** **Rev. Mark McClanahan**

### Encountering Jesus: Paralytic



**Song** "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" **UMH 514**  
**Benediction** "Trust and Obey" *refrain* **UMH 467**