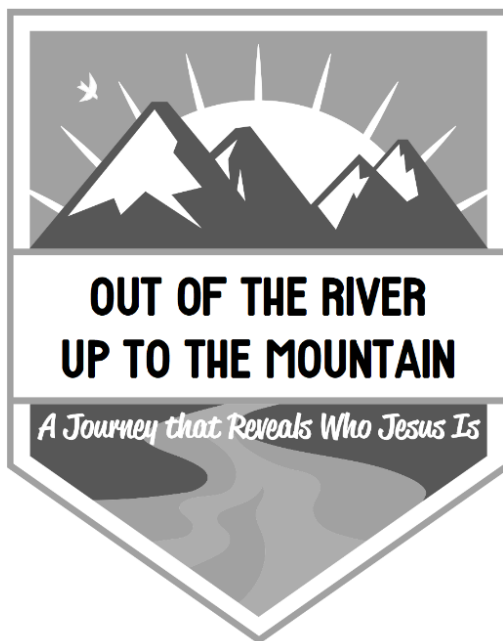


THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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Order of Service for SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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The Service: Setting Two

✠ Gathering ✠

OPENING HYMN

589 – Creator Spirit, By Whose Aid



1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid the world's foun - da - tions
2 O Source of light, our Coun - sel - or, the Fa - ther's help to
3 Giv - er of grace, de - scend from high in an - swer to our
4 Im - mor - tal hon - or, end - less fame, at - tend th'al-might - y



first were laid, come, vis - it ev - 'ry hum - ble mind; come,
us as - sure. Come down, as prom - ised, with your fire, and
ear - nest cry. Help us e - ter - nal truths re - ceive and
Fa - ther's name; the Sav - ior - Son be glo - ri - fied, who



pour your joys on hu - man-kind. From sin and sor - row
hearts with heav'n - ly love in - spire. Your sa - cred, heal - ing
prac - tice all that we be - lieve. Give us your wis - dom
for all hu - man - kind has died; and e - qual ad - o -



set us free; may we your liv - ing tem - ples be.
mes - sage bring to sanc - ti - fy us when we sing.
that we see the glo - ry of the Trin - i - ty.
ra - tion rise to you, O Spir - it, in the skies.

Stand

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

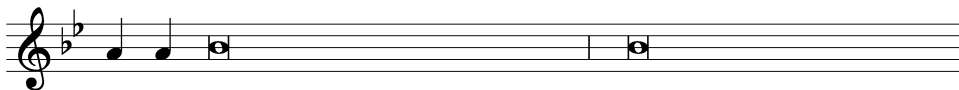
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)

In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of



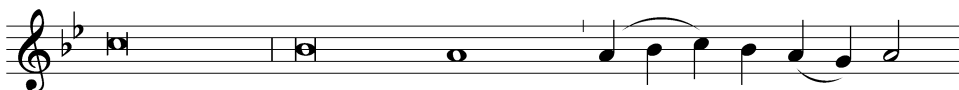
God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

SONG OF PRAISE



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth.

Lord God,

heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his

peo - ple on earth. For you a -

lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his

peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Be seated

✠ The Word ✠

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:1-10

*At a time in history when the word of the LORD was rare,
the LORD shows kindness to the boy Samuel by calling to him.*

¹SAMUEL 3:1 The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.

²One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called Samuel.

Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.

⁶Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

"My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸A third time the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139

736 (vs. 1,2,5) – Lord, You Call Us as Your People



1 Lord, you call us as your peo - ple, out of dark - ness
2 Lord, you call us as dis - ci - ples, walk - ing on your
5 Lord, you call us as your peo - ple, now in faith we



in - to light. You cre - at - ed and re-deemed us, made us
pil - grim way. Cru - ci - fied and ris-en Sav - ior, you are
sing your praise: Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, al - le -
[7]

pre-cious in your sight. Give us faith to trust you
with us ev - 'ry day. Give us wis - dom, give us
lu - ias to you raise. Hold us in your gra-cious

bold - ly and to love you stead - fast - ly. By your
cour - age as you teach us pa - tient - ly. By your
pow - er, bless - ed Ho - ly Trin - i - ty, that re -

Spir - it may we ev - er faith - ful to our call - ings be.
Spir - it may we ev - er faith - ful to our call - ings be.
joic - ing we will ev - er faith - ful to our call - ings be.

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

God called us to faith through the gospel, not because of any merit or worthiness in us, but entirely because of his grace and kindness.

² THESSALONIANS 2:13 But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because God chose you as firstfruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter.

¹⁶May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, ¹⁷encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

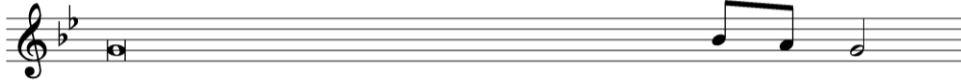
After a brief introduction, the congregation sings:

Refrain (congregation)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone (cantor)



John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God,



who takes away the sin of the world!"

Refrain

Refrain (congregation)

GOSPEL READING

John 1:43-51

*Jesus proves to Nathanael that he knows absolutely everything about us.
In kindness, Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael to follow him.*

JOHN 1:43 The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."

⁴⁴Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

⁴⁶"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.

"Come and see," said Philip.

⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."

⁴⁸"How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you."

⁴⁹Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."

⁵⁰Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." ⁵¹He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

633 – Speak, O Lord

The worship team will lead the singing. The congregation is invited to sing all the verses.



- 1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re - ceive the food
- 2 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence,
- 3 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds, help us grasp the heights



of your ho - ly Word; take your truth, plant it
true hu - mil - i - ty; test our thoughts and our
of your plans for us, truths un - changed from the



deep in us, shape and fash - ion us in your like - ness,
at - ti - tudes in the ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty.
dawn of time, that will ech - o down thro' e - ter - ni - ty.



that the light of Christ might be seen to - day in our acts of
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your ma - jes - tic
And by grace we'll stand on your prom - is - es, and by faith we'll



love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful -
love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your



fill in us all your pur - pos - es for your glo - ry.
nev - er fail, let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
Church is built, and the earth is filled with your glo - ry.

✠ Sermon ✠

John 1:43–51

Hear the Savior Calling!

Stand

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS and MUSICAL OFFERING

We appreciate the offerings given to support the work of God's Kingdom here and throughout the world.

Offerings can be given in any of these ways:

- *Set in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary*
- *On the Calvary website: <https://calvarydallas.org/give/>*
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

You may remain seated for prayer

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For confidence in the Lord's truth, that we may not fear deceit or opposition, but sing and proclaim His wondrous deeds in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church, that as God called Samuel, Philip and Nathanael into His service, so He would be pleased now to call men into His ministry, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For delight in the Holy Scriptures, that by their light we may see and follow Jesus, the Son of God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For Christian households, especially for fathers, mothers and children, that they may serve eagerly according to their station to the honor of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all rulers and leaders, especially our president, our governor, together with all legislators and judges, that in saving faith they may ascribe to God the glory due His name and govern their people wisely, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who stand in need of our prayers, [*especially _____*./] that God would bring healing, comfort, strength, patience and certainty to every need; in thanksgiving for constant watch and merciful kindness; and that in every sorrow and every joy, God would not let our eyes be drawn from the greater marvel of His kindness in Christ Jesus, by whose grace and forgiveness alone we receive every blessing, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who commune this day, that the gift of the Holy Spirit would be renewed in us, working true contrition to lament and abandon our sins, and so come in confident faith to feast on this Holy Supper for the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

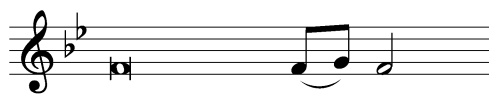
Holy Lord, mighty God, You have shown us the face of Your mercy in Your Son, through whom all nations may find unity and life. Hear the prayers of Your people and grant what is needful to us and those for whom we pray, that trusting in Your mercy, our hearts may find perfect peace and rest; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



✠ The Sacrament ✠

PREFACE

Stand



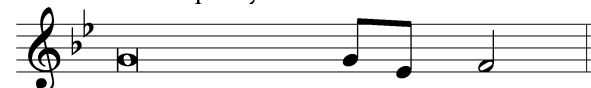
The Lord be with you.



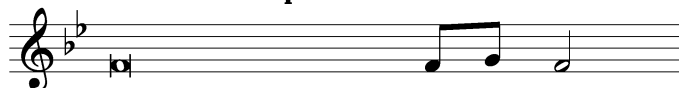
And al - so with you.



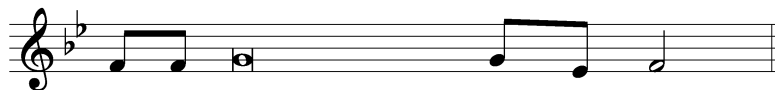
Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Santus*)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,
God of 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, ho -
san - na in the high - est!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Be seated

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my \dagger body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my \dagger blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.**

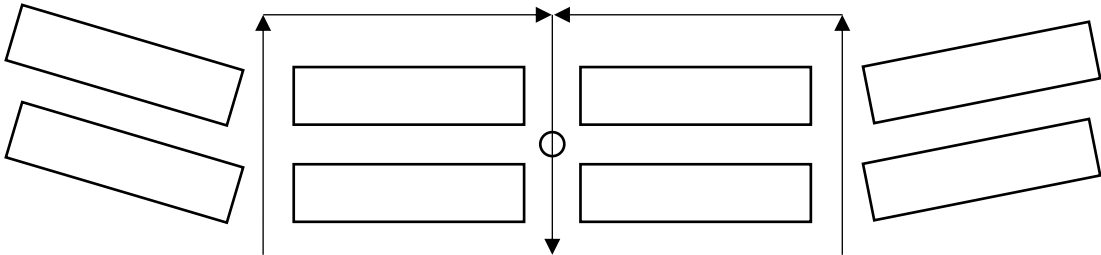
JESUS, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us your peace.

DISTRIBUTION

The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

Enter along the side aisles toward the altar area. Move toward the center (unless otherwise directed). After receiving the Supper, return to your seat down the middle aisle, depositing your cup in the receptacle.



DISTRIBUTION HYMN

383 – The Only Son From Heaven



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

Stand

PRAYER

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; **his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, **we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**



CLOSING HYMN

375 – Arise and Shine in Splendor



1 A - rise and shine in splen - dor; let night to
 2 See earth in dark - ness ly - ing, the hea - then
 3 Lift up your eyes in won - der— see, na - tions
 4 Your heart will leap for glad - ness when from the



day sur - ren - der. Your light is draw - ing near.
 na - tions dy - ing in hope - less gloom and night.
 gath - er yon - der from sin to be set free.
 realms of sad - ness they come from near and far.



A - bove, the day is beam - ing, in match - less beau - ty
 To you the Lord of heav - en— your life, your hope— has
 The world has heard your sto - ry; her sons come to your
 Your eyes will wake from slum - ber as peo - ple with - out



gleam - ing; the glo - ry of the Lord is here.
 giv - en great glo - ry, hon - or, and de - light.
 glo - ry, her daugh - ters haste your light to see.
 num - ber re - joice to see the Morn - ing Star.

Be seated

After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.

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MIDWEEK LENT and HOLY WEEK

The unbelieving world has always insisted on putting **God on Trial**. As our society becomes more secular, Christians are increasingly aware of the many ways in which God — and his people — are judged. Temptations are many in this environment: treating unbelievers as enemies, retreating from the world, even questioning God ourselves. How do we live as people of God in this hostile world? We find our model — and our motivation — in Jesus. This series takes us back to the moments when **God** was literally **on Trial** before the people in the person of Christ. In these inspired episodes, we find forgiveness for us and all people, love for our enemies, strength for our faith, and courage to testify to the truth.

- Ash Wednesday/Midweek 1: God on Trial – Accusations 2/14 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Midweek 2: God on Trial – Restrains 2/21 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Midweek 3: God on Trial – Testimony 2/28 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Midweek 4: God on Trial – Misconceptions 3/6 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Midweek 5: God on Trial – Truth 3/13 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Midweek 6: God on Trial – Sympathy 3/20 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Palm Sunday: God on Trial – Anticipation 3/24 @ normal weekend times
- Holy Thursday: God on Trial – Respite 3/28 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Good Friday: God on Trial – Evidence 3/29 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Easter Sunday: God on Trial – Vindication 3/31 Sunrise @ 6:30 a.m.
3/31 Festival @ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.