

**March 16, 2025 11:15 a.m.**  
**Second Sunday in Lent**  
**Liturgical Color – Purple**

## ***God's Plan***



***Welcome!***

**Asbury – St. James United Methodist Church**

**843-722-2826**

**Reverend Timothy G. Shaw**

**Church Lay Leader: Luke Shaw**

**Musician: Herb Spear**

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**“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”**

**Romans 12:2 ESV**

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**Prelude: “Fairest Lord Jesus”**

**Procession of the Cross, God’s Word, and Light**

**Welcome and Invocation**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Pastor:** God, our light and our salvation, calls us to worship.

**People:** We gather in faith, confidence, and praise.

**Pastor:** Come; seek the face of God.

**People** God’s face shines upon us with grace and love.

**Pastor:** Be strong, my friends, for God is here.

**People:** Thanks be to God for this wonderful gift.

**\*Hymn: “Precious Name”** Pg. 536

**\*Psalter: Psalm 27** Pg. 758

**\*Gloria Patri** Pg. 70

**\*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed** Pg. 881

**Special Music** Luke Shaw

*\*Congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

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**Old Testament Reading:** Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

**New Testament Reading:** Philippians 3:17-4:1

**Pastoral Intercessory Prayer – Joys & Concerns**

*You may write a prayer request or praise report on the slip located on the pew back. Your request will be picked up.*

**Chancel Choir:** “I Wouldn’t Take Nothing for My Journey”

**Offertory:** *Please bring your offering to the Altar*

**\*Doxology**

**Words of Assurance (All)**

**Be strong and take heart. God is with us here and now. Christ’s love is saving us, now and always. Amen.**

**The Gospel Lesson:** Luke 13:31-35

**The Sermon:** “God’s Plan”

**\*Hymn:** “He Touched Me”

Pg. 367

**\*Commissioning & Blessing**

**\*Postlude:** “Evermore I Will Love Him”

**Lenten Sacrifice**

**We choose Lenten sacrifices to bring us closer to God; to prioritize God; to put God in the center of our minds and lives; to make God the focal point. What do you need to clear out of your life to make room for God during this season of Lent?**

## **Stewardship Report for March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Giving: \$1,011.00 Giving to-date: \$12,081.50

Attendance & streaming: 95 Bible Study: 8

## **Fifth Sunday Lunch March 30<sup>th</sup>**

Be sure to mark your calendars! This would be an ideal time to bring a friend to worship with us and experience our deep and warm love for each other.

## **In Our Prayers**

Katie Austin, Susan Bullock, Paul Fairfax, Doris Gowder, June Harrell, Alta Kaiser, Alicia Mizzell, Trenton Powell, Barbara Shaw, Tina Shaw, Tom & Bernice Walters

**God is our light and our salvation.**

**We need not fear.**

**Christ is the stronghold of our life.**

**We need not be afraid.**

**When evil scatters us to the winds,  
Christ gathers us with love and grace.**

**Be strong, beloved ones.**

**We are not alone.**

**We are beloved children of God.**

**We are sent with the Spirit's power to love as we are  
loved.**

