

# FEBRUARY 27, 2022

Transfiguration Sunday



## Come Worship the Living



### **PRELUDE**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **HYMN**

*Freely, Freely*

UMH#389

**1** God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,  
I've been born again in Jesus' name,  
and in Jesus' name I come to you,  
to share his love as he told me to.

**2** All power is given in Jesus' name,  
in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,  
and in Jesus' name I come to you,  
to share his power as he told me to.

#### **Refrain:**

He said, "Freely, freely you have received  
freely, freely give.

Go in my name and because you believe,  
others will know that I live."

#### **Refrain**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 18:21-35

### NRSV

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came and said to him, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. <sup>23</sup> “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup> When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup> and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup> So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ <sup>27</sup> And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup> But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ <sup>29</sup> Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ <sup>30</sup> But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup> Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ <sup>34</sup> And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup> So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

### NLT

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to him and asked, “Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?” <sup>22</sup> “No, not seven times,” Jesus replied, “but seventy times seven! <sup>23</sup> “Therefore, the Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a king who decided to bring his accounts up to date with servants who had borrowed money from him. <sup>24</sup> In the process, one of his debtors was brought in who owed him millions of dollars. <sup>25</sup> He couldn’t pay, so his master ordered that he be sold—along with his wife, his children, and everything he owned—to pay the debt. <sup>26</sup> “But the man fell down before his master and begged him, ‘Please, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.’ <sup>27</sup> Then his master was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt. <sup>28</sup> “But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment. <sup>29</sup> “His fellow servant fell down before him and begged for a little more time. ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay it,’ he pleaded. <sup>30</sup> But his creditor wouldn’t wait. He had the man arrested and put in prison until the debt could be paid in full. <sup>31</sup> “When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. They went to the king and told him everything that had happened. <sup>32</sup> Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, ‘You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> Shouldn’t you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?’ <sup>34</sup> Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he had paid his entire debt. <sup>35</sup> “That’s what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart.”

## SERMON

*Forgive*

Rev. Claudia Stallings

## PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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.

## CONSECRATING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him all creatures here below,

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### HYMN

*Forgiveness*

Matthew West

**1** It's the hardest thing to give away and the last  
thing on your mind today It always goes to those  
who don't deserve It's the opposite of how you feel  
when the pain they caused is just too real Takes  
ev'rything you have to say the word Forgiveness  
forgiveness

**2** It flies in the face of all your pride it moves away  
the mad inside It's always anger's own worst enemy  
Even when the jury and the judge say you've got a  
right to hold a grudge It's the whisper in your ear  
sayin' set it free Forgiveness forgiveness for-  
giveness forgiveness

**Chorus** Show me how to love the unloveable show  
me how to reach the unreachable Help me now to  
do the impossible forgiveness forgiveness Help me  
now to do the impossible forgiveness

**3** It'll clear the bitterness away it can even set a  
pris'ner free There is no end to what it's pow'r can  
do So let it go and be amazed by what you see  
through eyes of grace The pris'ner that it really frees  
is you Forgiveness forgiveness oh, forgiveness for-  
giveness

**Chorus** Show me how to love the unloveable show  
me how to reach the unreachable Help me now to  
do the impossible forgiveness I want to finally set it  
free so show me how to see what Your mercy sees  
Help me now to give what You gave to me For-  
giveness oh, forgiveness forgiveness forgiveness

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Alice Alford  
Matt Amason  
Lois Crafton  
Brandon (Cottrell)  
Lucille Lane Bean  
Emily Bucknam  
Peggy Burch  
Donna Campbell  
Erica  
Jimmie Early  
Mitch Early

Randy Early  
Edward Fergusson  
Sandy Gentry  
Jackie Gray  
Bonnie Hainley  
Mike Hainley  
Elnora Holmes  
Nancy Hulon  
Brittany Johnson  
Maureen

Debbie Mullins  
Frances Nunnally  
Frances Owen  
David Pittman  
Sara Katherine Reid  
Amy Salley  
Scott Stallings  
Darlene Thomas  
Curtis Walsh  
Iris Ward  
Shirley Wiegand

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Full calendar can be found at [www.ramseymemorial.org](http://www.ramseymemorial.org)

March 2	Ash Wednesday Service	(7:00pm, Sanctuary)
March 2	Ashes To Go	(12:00pm, Door 5)
March 3	Prayer Meeting	(11:00am, Rm 105)
March 6	First Sunday of Lent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)
March 13	Second Sunday of Lent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)
March 13	Daylight Savings Start	



Use your phone camera to scan one of our Vanco app QR codes to give and communicate with our Ramsey Family.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS



On **Ash Wednesday, March 2**, Ramsey will offer two opportunities for you to receive the imposition of ashes:

**Noon-1pm Ashes To Go** -- drive-by imposition of ashes in the church rear parking lot by the awning area. Drive-by to receive your ashes in your vehicle.

**7pm In-Person Worship Service** -- in the Ramsey sanctuary



## The Thursday Morning Prayer Group

The Thursday Morning Prayer Group is beginning again in Room 105 - all are welcome!

11-12 Fellowship/Bring your own lunch

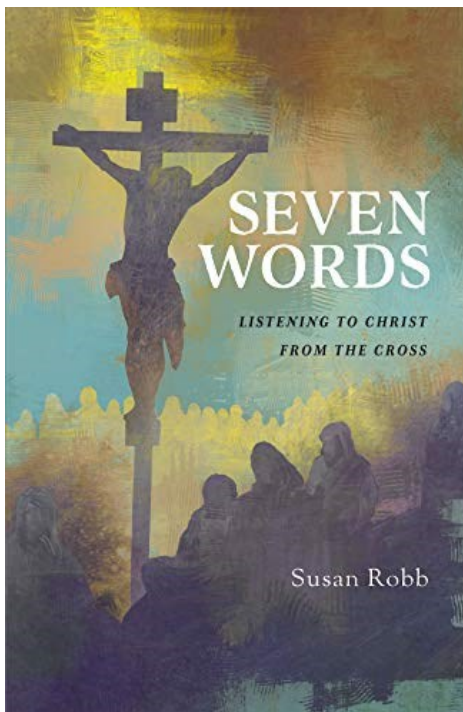
12-2 Prayer/Bible Study

## Good Morning! Welcome to Ramsey!

Are these words that easily flow off your tongue especially while a smile crosses your face? If so, then Ramsey's new Hospitality Team needs you. If you are willing to say those simple words while monitoring the CLC lobby on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:05am one Sunday every 4-6 weeks, please contact Melissa, our Admin Assistant, at [admin@ramseymemorial.org](mailto:admin@ramseymemorial.org) or **804-276-4682**. Training and additional instruction will be provided.



# WELCOME



## LENT STUDY

"Seven Words: Listening to Christ from the Cross"

Sundays:

March 6, 13, 20 & 27

April 3 & 10

9:00am

Ramsey Sanctuary

*Those who listen to Jesus' last words from the cross will discover what He most wants them to hear and will experience an intimate and divine awe only available to those who are willing to draw near His cross.*

If you would like a participant book, please contact the church office at 804-276-4628 or [admin@ramseymemorial.org](mailto:admin@ramseymemorial.org). If you are able, a \$12 donation per book is appreciated.