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◆ **Church Deacons:**

Robert Gaskins Scott Fessenden
Justin Galvin Hannah Galvin

◆ **Sunday School Teachers:**

Scott and Jenn Fessenden - Pre-school to age 12
Justin and Hannah Galvin - Ages 12 - 17

☆ Please email any events or announcements
to JeffW6379@gmail.com by Wednesday.

Please visit www.prayergarden.us for updated news, calendar,
announcements, our full Statement of Faith, and Church Covenant.

Also see Pastor Ron Sylvester's Statement of Faith, testimony, views on
local church autonomy and the tasks of a church's interim journey.

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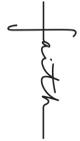
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And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. **36** When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Matthew 9: 35-36

March 22, 2026

11:00 am Worship Service



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Upcoming Events and Announcements

Welcome - Justin

Worship in Song - This is the Day
Blessed Be Your Name
Psalm 130

Prayer and Sermon - Series: "Cross Walk"
"Lost and Found"
Pastor Ron Sylvester

Worship in Song - His Mercy Is More

Announcements - Justin

Benediction - Pastor Ron

Greeting Time

Prayer Meeting on Thursday evenings at **6:30 pm** at the church.

Adult Bible Study on Sunday mornings at **9:45 am** downstairs.

Sunday school for all ages (4-17) at **9:45 am** every week downstairs,
NO Sunday School on Easter Sunday, April 5.

The Nursery is open and staffed each week following the worship portion of the service, open on Easter Sunday.

Community Supper is held the last **Wednesday** of each month from **5-7 pm**. If you know somebody who would like a meal, please invite them to join us, never any cost. ★ **MARCH 25** ★

Monthly Women' Prayer Meeting Saturday, March 28, 10 - 11 am
All women are welcome to join us downstairs, for intentional prayer time. Our focus will be on praying for our Brothers and Sisters in Christ. See Jamie Whelan or Jenn Fessenden with any questions.

Palm Sunday March 29 Palm Parade to start at 10:50 am in the parking lot

Easter Sunday April 5 ★ Service change 10 am, **NO** Sunday School.

Annual Business Meeting Sunday, May 17 following the service.



Electronic Giving - We now have 3 options for electronic giving: the link on our website, scan the QR code here, or download the **Tithe.ly** app

If anyone has a question or need he or she would like to discuss with **Pastor Ron**, please do not hesitate to call him for an appointment at **518-817-0382**.

Questions, prayer requests or any other needs:

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Bible Verses: Luke 15 **The Parable of the Lost Sheep**

15 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. **2** And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

3 So he told them this parable: **4** "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? **5** And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. **6** And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' **7** Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."

The Parable of the Lost Coin

8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? **9** And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' **10** Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Parable of the Prodigal Son

11 And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. **12** And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. **13** Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. **14** And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need."

Bible Verses: Luke 15 continued

15 So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. **16** And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. **17** "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! **18** I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. **19** I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.'" **20** And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. **21** And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' **22** But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. **23** And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. **24** For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate."

25 "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. **26** And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. **27** And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' **28** But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, **29** but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. **30** But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' **31** And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. **32** It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'" "



Take Home Sermon Notes March 22, 2026

Sermon: Series "Cross Walk" "Lost and Found"

I. Introduction

II. Lost

III. Found

IV. Conclude

V. Take Aways

1. How would you describe "lostness"?
Are there symptoms?
Can one be lost and not know it?
Why?
2. Do we find God, or does He find us?
3. How can or should the community participate in the celebration of one found?
4. In one sentence (not a run on sentence) how would you summarize what God teaches us in Luke 15?

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