

1st Sunday in Lent



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord"
Uke Choir and Congregation

Greeting

Kyrie

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Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"Come to the Garden"

Chancel Choir

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children's Message

Psalm 32...Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. ² Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity and in whose spirit there is no deceit. ³ While I kept silent, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. ⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. ⁶ Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them. ⁷ You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance. ⁸ I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. ⁹ Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you. ¹⁰ Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD. ¹¹ Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 19:29-40...When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day	<i>"I'm Going on a Journey"</i>	ELW 446
Prayers		
Sharing God's Peace		
<u>MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus</u>		
Offering		
Special Music		
Offertory	<i>"Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery" Verse 1 Lent 1</i>	
Great Thanksgiving		ELW pg 152
Words of Institution		
Lord's Prayer		
Communion		
Communion Songs	<i>"Lamb of God"</i> <i>"Your Name"</i>	ELW pg 154
Communion Blessing		
Post-Communion Prayer		
<u>SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love</u>		
Blessing		
Sending Song	<i>"Bless Now O God the Journey"</i>	ELW 326
Dismissal		
Postlude		

Announcements

- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Saturday, March 7th from 8 to 10am. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. As part of our mission to Feed the Hungry, our food bags include 2 cans each of fruit, tuna and soup. During our pantry distributions, we provide up to 155 food bags each pantry distribution day! Recent sale prices allowed our blue bin donations to overflow with soup allowing us to use funds on other items for the last pantry distribution! Truly a blessing! Every item donated from our pantry shopping list is very much appreciated. This week our specific focus will be fruit, tuna and soup.
- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** for 2026 are now available for purchase for \$47. Please [click here](#) to sign up or contact the church office.
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** meets every Sunday from 8:45am to 9:15am in the Community Room in the Education hallway. For questions, call Paula McDonald at 402-210-6040.
- ⇒ **Lenten Worship Services** Join us Wednesday's in Lent beginning February 25th at 6:30 pm for our Lenten Worship Services.
- ⇒ **Lenten Offerings** Our Lenten offerings this year will go towards the mission and ministry of San Andrés Iglesia Luterana in South Omaha. Our gifts will help to support their vision: *San Andrés is called to proclaim the Gospel by being a sign and witness of God's inclusive and universal love. Our commitment is to actively respond to the needs of our immigrant community, especially low-income ones, by creating educational-pastoral programs, and opportunities for engagement and community service that transform lives and promote change in our community.*
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, February 22

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Mtg

Monday, February 23

6:30 pm Boy Scouts
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, February 24

7:30 pm AA Meeting

Wednesday, February 25

12:30 pm Tai Chi Balance Class
6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Radical Ringers/Youth Group

Thursday, February 26

6:30pm Carolon Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, February 27

1:00 pm Knitting in the Narthex

Saturday, February 28

12:00 pm Baby Shower

Sunday, March 1

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Ashley Roberts; Norm Firkins; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

Friends and Relatives: Pam Comer, mom of Lauren McCreery; Gordon Blake, father of Alisa Krueger; Paisley & Parker Rodriguez, friends of Eric Gitt; Pablo Adame, great-grandson of Connie Mertz; Kim Jones, sister-in-law of Trisha Ryan; Jane Marsh, aunt of Jen Gitt; Jim O'Grady, uncle of Pastor Heather Grell; Pat & Barry Butterfield, mother and father of Amy Odson; Deniel Algarin, nephew of Alicia Glesne; Scott Matheson, brother in law of Julie Noteman; Joshua Perilo, son of Sharon Perilo; Crosby Vargas, friend of Julie Noteman; Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sonrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; Avery W.; Ken Gross, cousin of Julie Noteman; Josh Moreau, friend of Wendy Brenner's family; Nancy Bartell, sister-in-law of Peg Schneider; Michael Schadendorf, grandfather of Edith and Tanya Valandra; Erin Peters, daughter of Gail Ginger; Dave Huggins, friend of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mya Calendar, daughter of Trisha Ryan; Carol Deditz, sister of Julie Noteman; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.

Grieving: Kate Ferris and her family as they mourn the death of her sister-in-law.