

2nd Sunday in Lent



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Temple Talk

Catherine Harvey

Confession and Forgiveness

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"The God of Abraham Praise"

ELW 831

Greeting

Kyrie

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Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"Meditation"

Carolyn Bells

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children's Message

Psalm 80:7-19...Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved. ⁸ You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it. ⁹ You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land. ¹⁰ The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches; ¹¹ it sent out its branches to the sea and its shoots to the River. ¹² Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit? ¹³ The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it. ¹⁴ Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven and see; have regard for this vine, ¹⁵ the stock that your right hand planted. ¹⁶ It has been burned with fire; it has been cut down; may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance. ¹⁷ But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one whom you made strong for yourself. ¹⁸ Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name. ¹⁹ Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

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

Mark 12:1-12...Then he began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the winepress, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went away. ² When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. ³ But they seized him and beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ⁴ And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. ⁵ Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. ⁶ He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ⁷ But those tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' ⁸ So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. ⁹ What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. ¹⁰ Have you not read this scripture: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; ¹¹ this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes?'" ¹² When they realized that he had told this

Announcements

- ⇒ **Milestone Birthday** Join us in wishing Judy Glesne a happy and beautiful 80th birthday!
- ⇒ **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 for purchase for \$47. Please [click here](#) to sign up or contact the church office.
- ⇒ **15 Minute Lenten Meditation** led by Paula McDonald. You're invited to a short time of scripture, silent meditation and discussion. This is held Sundays at 11:30 AM and Wednesdays at 6:00 PM in the Sunday school hall meeting room. All ages and abilities are welcome.
- ⇒ **Lenten Worship Services** Join us Wednesday's in Lent 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.*
- ⇒ **Day Without Shoes** Getting ready to clean some closets? Are your shoe racks overflowing? If so, it's a perfect time to join the "Day Without Shoes" campaign. During the month of March, we are gathering gently-used and new shoes. **All types and sizes are needed.** This collection is part of a larger community event, sponsored by Cornhusker Bank, to benefit the Stephen Center, other local shelters, and schools in our area. Shoe insecurity is a very real issue from many people in our community and your donation matters! To donate, simply place your shoes in the marked cart in the Narthex. (If possible, please buckle or tie shoes together so pairs don't get separated.)
- ⇒ **Camp Sunday** is TODAY! Thiep from Carol Joy Holling Camp is here today to hang out with the Sunday School kids and answer questions about summer camp. Be sure to stop by the camp display to say hi and get your questions about summer camp answered!
- ⇒ **Lunch Bunch** will meet Wednesday, March 18th at 11:30am at Longhorn Steak House off 74th and Dodge. This requires reservations, if interested please call Linda at 402-690-3342.
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

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

Monday, March 2

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

Tuesday, March 3

7:30 pm AA Meeting

Wednesday, March 4

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, March 5

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

Friday, March 6

1:00 pm Knitting in the Narthex
5:30 pm Food Pantry Prep
7:00 pm Belles N Beaus

Saturday, March 7

Council Retreat
8:00 am Food Pantry

Sunday, March 8

Daylight Savings Time Begins
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

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Julie Leahy; Anna Mae Carlson; Ashley Roberts; Norm Firkins; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

Friends and Relatives: Gordon Blake, father of Alisa Krueger; Paisley & Porter Rodriguez, friends of Eric Gitt; Pablo Adame, great-grandson of Connie Mertz; Kim Jones, sister-in-law of Trisha Ryan; Jim O'Grady, uncle of Pastor Heather Grell; Scott Matheson, brother in law of Julie Noteman; Joshua Perilo, son of Sharon Perilo; Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sonrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; 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; 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; 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.