



Mobile, Alabama
Ash Wednesday

February 14, 2024

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Twelve o'clock noon and Five thirty in the evening

We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this booklet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. Unless requested, applause isn't necessary; please give quiet thanks to God for the elements of worship that are meaningful for you.



We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the alms basin so that we can know you better.

A gentle reminder: please turn off all electronic devices before the service.

Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher.

Prelude

The Glory of these Forty Days

Robert J. Powell
(b. 1932)

Processional Hymn

Lord, who throughout these forty days

St. Flavian
Hymnal 142

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray,
teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.

As thou with Satan didst contend, and didst the victory win,
O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to conquer sin.

As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord,
to die to self, and chiefly live by thy most holy word.

And through these days of penitence, and through thy Passiontide,
yea, evermore, in life and death, Jesus! with us abide.

Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering overpast,
an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!

The Word of God

The Collect of the Day

BCP 264

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **His mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading:

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Reader: A Reading from the Prophet Joel.

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming, it is near—a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread upon the mountains a great and powerful army comes; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them in ages to come. Yet even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing. Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the Lord, your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people. Sanctify the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her canopy. Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep. Let them say, “Spare your people, O Lord, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations. Why should it be said among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 103:8–14

Benedic, anima mea

Please, read in unison.

BCP 733

- ⁸ **The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, ***
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- ⁹ **He will not always accuse us, ***
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- ¹⁰ **He has not dealt with us according to our sins, ***
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- ¹¹ **For as the heavens are high above the earth, ***
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- ¹² **As far as the east is from the west, ***
so far has he removed our sins from us.
- ¹³ **As a father cares for his children, ***
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.
- ¹⁴ **For he himself knows whereof we are made; ***
he remembers that we are but dust.

Second Reading:

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church vv. 1, 2
 Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church
 walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent,
 led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
 moved by your love and toward your presence bent:
 far off yet here—the goal of all desire.

So daily dying to the way of self,
 so daily living to your way of love,
 we walk the road, Lord Jesus, that you trod,
 knowing ourselves baptized into your death:
 so we are dead and live with you in God.

The Holy Gospel:

*Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21**Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. [...] And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Right Reverend J. Russell Kendrick

Exhortation *(standing)*

BCP 264

Celebrant: Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord’s passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith. I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is then kept for a time, all kneeling.

Imposition of Ashes

BCP 265

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, that we may remember that it is only by your gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The ashes are imposed with the following words:

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

Hymn

Detroit

“Forgive our sins, as we forgive”

Hymnal 674

“Forgive our sins as we forgive” you taught us, Lord, to pray;
but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew,
how small the debts men owe to us, how great our debt to you.

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls, and bid resentment cease;
then, reconciled to God and man, our lives will spread your peace.

Psalm 51

Miserere mei, Deus

Please read in unison

BCP 266

- 1 **Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.**
- 2 **Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.**
- 3 **For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.**
- 4 **Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.**
- 5 **And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.**
- 6 **Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother’s womb.**
- 7 **For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.**
- 8 **Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.**
- 9 **Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**
- 10 **Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.**
- 11 **Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.**
- 12 **Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.**
- 13 **Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**
- 14 **I shall teach your ways to the wicked, *
and sinners shall return to you.**
- 15 **Deliver me from death, O God, *
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my salvation.**

- 16 **Open my lips, O Lord, ***
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
- 17 **Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice; ***
but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.
- 18 **The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; ***
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Litany of Penitence *(kneeling)*

BCP 267

Celebrant and People:

Most holy and merciful Father:

We confess to you and to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints
in heaven and on earth,

that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed;
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

People: **We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.**

Celebrant: Have mercy on us, Lord.

We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

Have mercy on us, Lord.

We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,
We confess to you, Lord.

Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,
Accept our repentance, Lord.

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,
Accept our repentance, Lord.

For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,
Accept our repentance, Lord.

Celebrant: Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;

People: **Favorably hear us, for your mercy is great.**

Celebrant: Accomplish in us the work of your salvation,

People: **That we may show forth your glory in the world.**

Celebrant: By the cross and passion of your Son our Lord,

People: **Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desires not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, has given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardons and absolves all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Marc Antoine-Charpentier

(1643-1704)

Pange Lingua

Mollie Adams, *soprano*

Pange lingua, gloriosi Corporis mysterium, Sanguinisque pretiosi, Quem in mundi pretium Fructus ventris generosi Rex effudit gentium.	Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory, Of His flesh the mystery sing; Of the Blood, all price exceeding, Shed by our immortal King, Destined, for the world's redemption, From a noble womb to spring.
Nobis datus, nobis natus, Ex intacta Virgine, Et in mundo conversatus, Sparso verbi semine, Sui moras incolatus Miro clausit ordine.	Of a pure and spotless Virgin Born for us on earth below, He, as Man, with man conversing, Stayed, the seeds of truth to sow; Then He closed in solemn order Wondrously His Life of woe.
In supremae nocte cenae Recumbens cum fratribus Observata lege plene Cibus in legalibus, Cibum turbae duodenae Se dat suis manibus.	On the night of that Last Supper, Seated with His chosen band, He the Pascal victim eating, First fulfills the Law's command; Then as Food to His Apostles Gives Himself with His own Hand.
Verbum caro, panem verum Verbo carnem efficit: Fitque sanguis Christi merum, Et si sensus deficit, Ad firmandum cor sincerum Sola fides sufficit.	Word-made-Flesh, the bread of nature By His word to Flesh He turns; Wine into His Blood He changes;- What though sense no change discerns? Only be the heart in earnest, Faith her lesson quickly learns.
Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui: Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.	Down in adoration falling, Lo! the sacred Host we hail; Lo! o'er ancient forms departing, Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith for all defects supplying, Where the feeble senses fail.
Genitori, Genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amen. Alleluja.	To the everlasting Father, And the Son who reigns on high, With the Holy Ghost proceeding Forth from Each eternally, Be salvation, honor, blessing, Might and endless majesty. Amen. Alleluia.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-114

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Our Father, who 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Fraction Anthem

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S-161

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Music at Communion

Hymn

Ubi Caritas (Murray)

Hymnal 577

Here in Christ we gather

Refrain: God is love, and where true love is God himself is there.

Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling.

Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his greeting.

Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal.

Loving him, let each love Christ in one another. **Refrain**

When we Christians gather, members of one Body,

let there be in us no discord but one spirit.

Banished now be anger, strife and every quarrel.

Christ, our God, be always present here among us. **Refrain**

Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed,

when we see your face, O Savior, in its glory.

Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,

be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises. **Refrain**

Hymn

Bless the Lord My Soul

WLP 825

Bless the Lord my soul

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me into life.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Vater Unser im Himmelreich

Before thy throne, O God, we kneel

Hymnal 575

Before thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a conscience quick to feel,
a ready mind to understand the meaning of thy chastening hand;
whate'er the pain and shame may be, bring us, O Father, nearer thee.

Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to all their due.
From love of pleasure, lust of gold, from sins which make the heart grow cold,
wean us and train us with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.

For sins of heedless word and deed, for pride ambitious to succeed,
for crafty trade and subtle snare to catch the simple unaware,
for lives bereft of purpose high, forgive, forgive, O Lord, we cry.

Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our inmost spirits purify:
consume the ill; purge out the shame; O God, be with us in the flame;
a new-born people may we rise, more pure, more true, more nobly wise.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

arr. Douglas E. Wagner

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

(b. 1952)

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LENT 2024 AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL



EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT SUNDAY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

The first Sunday in Lent is the day officially designated to encourage all Episcopalians to remember and support Episcopal Relief & Development's (ERD) life-saving mission. On the ministry table we have ERD envelopes and boxes available for you or your children to use for a Lenten offering.



JOHN RUTTER'S MASS OF THE CHILDREN

with MOBILE'S SINGING CHILDREN

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

MOLLIE ADAMS, SOPRANO

DAVID BURTON, BARITONE

Sunday, March 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the church before worship



BECOMING BELOVED COMMUNITY

SATURDAY, MARCH 16 FROM 7:30 A.M. UNTIL 4:30 P.M.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Join us for a workshop that will provide insights into the causes and effects of racism. We explore unconscious bias, prejudice, white privilege, and ways to work together to Become the Beloved Community. There is no fee to participate, but it requires the commitment to be engaged for the full day. Limited to not more than 30 participants. Register by using the link on our website



PASSOVER SEDER SUPPER AND LECTURE

LECTURE: TUESDAY, MARCH 19 AT 6:00 P.M.

SEDER SUPPER: TUESDAY, MARCH 26

PRESENTED BY RABBI ED BORAZ OF THE SPRINGHILL AVENUE TEMPLE

This traditional Jewish celebration will help us better understand the Passover meal Jesus enjoyed with his family and disciples through his years in the midst of humanity. On March 19 we will gather for a time of learning and discussion about the Seder with Rabbi Ed Boraz who will help us understand the importance of this ancient tradition in the life of Jewish families. On the Tuesday of Holy Week, March 26, Rabbi Boraz will return to lead us through a Seder Supper. Mollie Adams will join us to act as cantor for the songs that accompany the Seder. A three-course meal, a part of this celebration, will feed us spiritually and physically.

The lecture is open to all who wish to attend with no reservation required. Reservations are required for the Seder and the number of reservations is limited. You may sign up using this link or use the sign-up on the ministry table. Children and families of all ages are welcome and encouraged to attend, a nursery will be provided.

FORWARD DAY BY DAY

Please explore the many daily devotional materials at: https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/daily_readings_anytime.php. There is also an app for this.



SPECIAL DEVOTIONALS AND LENTEN PRACTICES

READING MARK TOGETHER DURING LENT

During Lent this year our youth confirmands and their peers in the Affirm group will be reading their way through Mark's gospel and discussing it together. In support of and solidarity with them, everyone in the Cathedral Family is invited and encouraged to read Mark as a Lenten devotional and discipline.

To support you in your reading, we will be sending a daily email (six days a week, Monday-Saturday) containing a small portion of the gospel for each day. As Mark is the gospel contained in the Daily Office this season, you may also find devotional resources online through "Forward Day by Day." You might also like to order *A Journey with Mark: The Fifty Day Bible Challenge* ed. Marek P. Zabriskie (Forward Movement, 2015), which contains daily readings, reflections, questions for consideration, and prayers.

This is a simple yet profoundly meaningful way for the entire Cathedral Family to journey through Lent together.

AFFIRM CLASS

The Youth (grades 7-12) Affirm Class will meet in the Cathedral Library at 11:15 a.m. on Sundays, February 25, March 3, 10, 17 to discuss the Gospel of Mark. The discussion will last until noon.

LENT + IN-A-BAG

Families are uniquely suited to honor the Season of Lent by walking together to find a closer relationship with Jesus. This Lent 2024 we have some "tools," to enhance our families Lenten journeys. In the Chapter House each family will find a bag of tools to take home. Interaction and conversation about each tool will help spur reflection and comments on what each item in the bag might symbolize on our Lenten journeys. Families are invited to gather weekly with one another, from Ash Wednesday through the five weeks of Lent, and Holy Week to explore the items in their tool bag. Our journey will lead to the joys of the Season of Easter, hopefully knowing the Savior, and his passion, in new and more interesting ways.

THE JOURNEY THROUGH LENT

Join the Journey through Lent, illustrated poster by award-winning cartoonist Jay Sidebotham, invites spiritual reflection and is a wonderful companion for the Lenten season. Posters are on the ministry table.

LENTEN YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

d365 is an online daily devotional series. Providing devotions written especially for students, this online resource reflects on themes that impact our faith journeys. There are several ways to access the series for Lent and the rest of the Church Year. You may download the app, follow on FaceBook, or go to their website and click the links.



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