

LENTEN WORSHIP

Wednesday Evenings

Wednesdays, 7–8 p.m., Chapel

“Proclaiming the Cross”

- March 7 “Reconciled and United by the Cross”
March 14 “The Death of Death in the Cross”
March 21 “Transformed by the Cross”

Sunday Mornings

9 & 11 a.m. (Sanctuary), 10:50 a.m. (Jones Hall)

- March 4 “Good Things in Bad Times” *Rev. Donna Marsh*
March 11* “Gripped by the Light” *Dr. David Renwick*
March 18 “Welcoming a Stranger” *Dr. Quinn Fox*

**There will be ONE service at 11 a.m. on March 11 as we celebrate the kickoff of our Capital Campaign.*

HOLY WEEK

- Palm Sunday March 25
Worship: 9, 10:50, and 11 a.m.
Concert: 5 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday March 29
Worship: 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Good Friday March 30
Worship: 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Easter Sunday April 1
Sanctuary Worship: 8:30, 10, and 11:30 a.m.
Family Celebration: 10 a.m. in Jones Hall

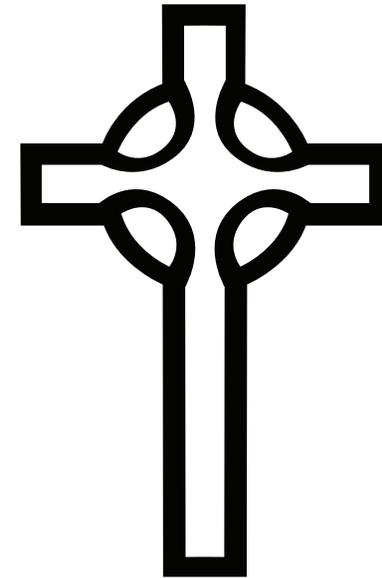


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LENTEN VESPERS

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PROCLAIMING THE CROSS

*For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel,
and not with eloquent wisdom,
so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.
For the message of the cross is foolishness
to those who are perishing,
but to those of us who are being saved it is the power of God.*

1 Corinthians 1:17-18

Lenten Worship at the Lord's Table

7 P.M., Chapel

PRELUDE Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness Johannes Brahms
Op. 122, No. 5 Todd Fickley, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Quinn Fox

One O Lord, open my lips,

All **And my mouth will declare your praise.**

One You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it.

All **You do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.**

One The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

All **A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

from Psalm 51

▲ HYMN 101 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross *Hamburg*

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Lord Jesus Christ,

draw us with cords of love to the foot of your cross.

We have no strength to come,

and have turned from your way.

We have wandered and gone astray.

Yet you are mighty to save,

and none can separate us from your love.

Seek us and bring us home to yourself.

Under the shadow of your cross, let us find true rest.

Frederick Temple

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Olivet*

Our faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine:

Now hear us while we pray, take all our guilt away,

O let us from this day be wholly thine!

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:46-55 Dr. Quinn Fox

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION Boasting in the Cross Dr. David Renwick

HYMN *Morning Song*

Quartet

The joy of all who dwell above, the joy of all below

Is Christ, who manifests his love, and grants his name to know.

Congregation

To us the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace is giv'n;

Our name an everlasting name, our joy the joy of heav'n.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION Dr. Quinn Fox

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution and Distribution

Choral Meditation *Aus tiefer Not*

To wash away the crimson stain; grace, grace alone prevaieth.

Our works, alas! are all in vain; in much the best life faileth.

For none can glory in thy sight, all must alike confess thy might

And live alone by mercy.

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit.

On God my soul shall rest; God's word upholds my fainting spirit.

God's promised mercy is my fort, my comfort, and my strong support;

I wait for it with patience.

What though I wait the live-long night, and till the dawn appeareth,

My heart still trusteth in God's might; it doubteth not nor feareth.

So let the Israelites in heart, born of the Spirit, do their part,

And wait till God appeareth.

Martin Luther

Prayer of Response and The 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 debts as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory forever. Amen.

▲ HYMN 145 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart *Marion*

▲ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Fugue Felix Mendelssohn

from Sonata VI in D minor, Op. 65

An offering will be received at the doors as you exit.