

Prayer of Response

Dr. Fox

The Lord's Prayer

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 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 Close to Thee *Close to Thee*
Thou my everlasting portion, more than friend of life to me,
All along my pilgrim journey, Savior, let me walk with thee.
Close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, close to thee,
All along my pilgrim journey, Savior let me walk with thee.
Lead me through the vale of shadows, bear me o'er life's fitful sea;
Then the gate of life eternal may I enter, Lord, with thee.
Close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, close to thee,
Then the gate of life eternal may I enter, Lord, with thee.

▲ BENEDICTION Rev. Larsen

POSTLUDE Ah, Holy Jesus, Op. 122, No. 2 Johannes Brahms

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

Holy Week & Easter

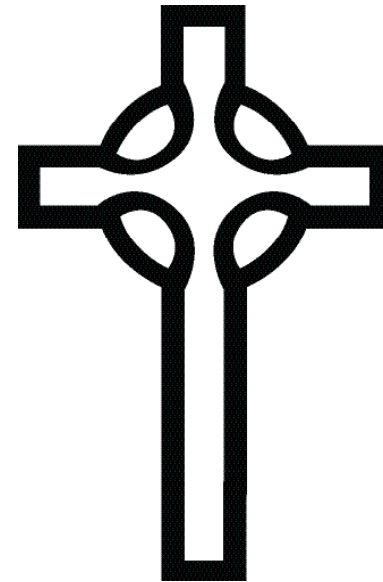
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Our Gift to You - A Great Resource for Observing Lent

If you would like *Pocketful of Practices*, you are invited to pick one up at the Welcome Center. To download it from our website, please [click here](#).

LENTEN VESPERS

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*Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.*

Joel 2:28



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LENTEN VESPERS

Lenten Worship at the Lord's Table

7:00 PM Sanctuary and Online

Welcome! Masks are optional at our 7:00 pm Vespers services, with the exception of the balcony and transepts where masks are required. Our ushers are happy to help you find the seating area where you will be most comfortable.

PRELUDE Adagio from Sonata Op. 65, No. 1 Felix Mendelssohn
Todd Fickley, organ

WELCOME Dr. Quinn Fox

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

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 Will You Let Me Be Your Servant *The Servant Song*
Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.
We are pilgrims on a journey; we're together on the road.
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
I will hold Christ's light before you in the nighttime of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
Richard Gillard

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison* Dr. Fox
O God, our Judge and Savior,
set before us a vision of your purity,
and let us see our sins in the light of your holiness.
Forgive and cleanse us, we pray.
Let your love consume in us all that hinders us
from right relationship with you and one another.
As your holiness is our judgment,
so your mercy is our salvation.

Adapted from William Temple

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

▲ LENTEN CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *I Love the Lord*
Soloist

I love the Lord, who heard my cry, and pitied every groan.
Long as I live and troubles rise, I'll hasten to God's throne.

Congregation

I love the Lord, who heard my cry and chased my grief away.
O let my heart no more despair while I have breath to pray.

SCRIPTURE Joel 2:12-17; 28-32 Rev. Lisa Larsen
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION The Mighty Minor Prophets: Joel Rev. Larsen
The Promised Spirit

RESPONSE Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Soloist then Congregation

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
breathe new life into my weary soul;
Bring the presence of your holiness
to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause your Word to come alive in me;
give me faith for what I cannot see.
Give me passion for your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION Dr. Fox

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation

If With All Your Hearts Felix Mendelssohn
Ye people rend your hearts, and not your garments, even as great
judgment descendeth from heaven by the word of God. I therefore
say to ye: Forsake your idols, return to God; for he is slow to anger
and merciful, and kind, and gracious, and relenteth him of the evil.
"If with all your hearts ye truly seek me, ye shall ever surely find me,"
thus saith our God. O that I knew where I might find him
that I might even come before his presence! "If with all your hearts
ye truly seek me, ye shall ever surely find me," thus saith our God.
Dr. Michael Denham