

Ash Wednesday

GATHERING

Please silence all electronic devices and prepare for worship.

We begin in silence.

LENTEN CALL TO WORSHIP

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross [Lowell Mason]
Bell Tree

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(congregation is seated)

WORD

FIRST LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:20b--6:10

L Holy wisdom, holy word.

C Thanks be to God.

MUSIC

Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee [para. Martin Luther;
Psalm 130 [17th century English;
Erin Simpson, soloist arr. K. Lee Scott]

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

P The Good News of Jesus according to Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 14:27-28

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Preparation

Pastor Ellingson

HYMN

That Priceless Grace

ELW Hymn 591

INVITATION TO LENT

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

LITANY OF PENITENCE

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

THE PRAYERS

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

C Congregation
A Assisting Minister
P Pastor

Today's Theme

Ash Wednesday marks us with the ashen cross reminder of our mortality. It also marks us with the sign of the Cross as we begin a season of preparation for Easter. As we set the tone for this time, the words of Martin Luther will focus us on the pathway that God provides for our salvation in Christ. Out of the font of Holy Baptism, we are called to life now and forever.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** *(shared in community)*

M E A L

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

C **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

(congregation is seated)

LAMB OF GOD

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
strengthen and keep you in God’s loving grace, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

PRAYER

S E N D I N G

BLESSING

Depart in silence.

P A R T I C I P A N T S

Presiding Minister Pastor James N. McEachran

Preaching Minister Pastor David R. Ellingson

Director of Music Ministries/Organist Dr. Will Simpson

Assisting Minister Sharon Gurtel

Communion Assistant Emily Harrow

Acolyte Livi Myhre

Altar Guild Gayle Rhymes, Karin Eklof

Unless otherwise noted, Scripture readings are from the NRSV.

W E L C O M E

ASH WEDNESDAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S

- † WE WELCOME PASTOR DAVID ELLINGSON** as our preaching minister this evening and for our Lenten Mid-week worship services. Pastor David Ellingson brings our devotional words, taken from the discipline of kayaking. He is an author, social justice advocate, speaker, teacher, master gardener, pastor, kayak paddler. A selection of his books will be available for purchase in the coming weeks. Learn more about Pastor Ellingson at www.dellingson.com.

LENT AT SAINT ANDREW'S

Our theme for Lent is "Pilgrimage of Life: Empty Cross, Empty Tomb, Full Life!" Jesus' pilgrimage to the Cross and victory over death makes possible our journey from Font to Life. Each day is a time to remember the price paid for our sins. Note these opportunities for worship and discipleship....

- † WORSHIP -- SUNDAYS:** Lent is traditionally a time to prepare for Holy Baptism. As we gather each Sunday to worship, the readings will focus on images for the Sacrament of New Beginnings.
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| March 5: <i>Renouncing Evil</i> | March 26: <i>Light and New Sight; Anointing</i> |
| March 12: <i>Seeking New Birth</i> | April 2: <i>Dying and Rising</i> |
| March 19: <i>Living Water that Lasts</i> | |
- † WORSHIP -- MID-WEEK:** Our pilgrimage of life journeys through many stages and challenges, and is best done with others along the way and with Christ in the lead. Pastor David Ellingson is our devotional leader to explore these themes.
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| March 1: <i>Preparation</i> | March 22: <i>Pain</i> |
| March 8: <i>Pushing Off</i> | March 29: <i>Peace</i> |
| March 15: <i>Paddling</i> | April 5: <i>Pilgrimage</i> |
- † DISCIPLESHIP DURING LENT:** This Lenten season our Adult Discipleship classes examine various **Spiritual Practices and prayer and song within the Church:**
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| March 5: <i>Spiritual Practices and Prayer: Benedictine</i> | |
| March 12: <i>Spiritual Practices and Prayer: Ignatian/Jesuit</i> | |
| March 19: <i>Spiritual Practices and Prayer: Franciscan</i> | |
| March 26: <i>Spiritual Practices and Prayer: Experiential</i> | |
| April 2: <i>Spiritual Practices and Song: Songs of Isaiah</i> | |
| April 9: <i>Spiritual Practices and Song: Passion Hymns Sing-a-long</i> | |
- † COLOR DURING LENT:** Gather for fellowship and devotion in the Narthex as Saint Andrew's works together to color the Stations of the Cross as a Communal Art Expression. This is a project we will continue throughout Lent. On Easter morning, the final product will be displayed, and cross generational connections will have been made throughout the Sundays in Lent.
- † PRAY DURING LENT:** Praying for someone else is a blessing to another person as well as enriching to our own spiritual journey. Pray for your partner throughout Lent - for their special requests, for their health, and for their spiritual journey. You will find out who has been praying for you on the Sunday after Easter, **April 23**. For more information, contact Beverly Watt, Mikel Oswald, or Cheryl Jurrus.
- † GIVE TO OTHERS DURING LENT:** The Health and Wholeness Committee is holding its annual *Baskets of Promise* campaign during Lent to help fill our needs for Personal Care Kits. The kits, distributed by Lutheran World Relief, hold basic personal hygiene items to give to those in need in refugee camps and other locations. See the bulletin board near the elevator in the Narthex for more information and the collection schedule.