

*Our Lenten journey begins on*

## Ash Wednesday

**March 6**

**6:00 PM — Dinner**

Fellowship Hall

### Service of the Imposition of Ashes

**7:00 PM – Sanctuary**

Psalm 51:1-17; Isaiah 58:1-12;

Matthew 6:1-6; 16-21

**“Righteous Sinfulness”**

The Rev. Ryan Wallace

**Bel Canto Ringers & Vesper Bells**

## ~**HOLY WEEK**~

### Palm Sunday

**April 14**

**10:00 AM – Sanctuary**

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Luke 19:28-40

**“Praise for Goodness”**

The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson

**Chancel Choir**

**10:00 AM – Chapel**

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Luke 19:28-40

**“Holding the Tension”**

The Rev. Amy Heinrich

**Chapel Music Team**

### Maundy Thursday

**April 18**

**7:30 PM – Chapel**

John 3:1-17; 31b-35

**“By This Everyone Will Know”**

The Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein

## Good Friday

**April 19**

### **Tenebrae: Service of Shadows**

**7:30 PM – Sanctuary**

Isaiah 53:1-5

**“Wounded Healer”**

The Rev. Amy Heinrich

**Mixed Motet Choir**

### Easter Sunday

**April 21**

#### Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service

**6:00 AM – Independence Grove**

*Ecumenical Service for all  
to welcome Easter at sunrise*

North Bay Pavilion

**9:00 AM – Sanctuary**

Isaiah 25:6-9; Mark 16:1-8

**“Open Your Eyes”**

The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson

**Chancel Choir & Brass**

**11:00 AM – Sanctuary**

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**Chancel Choir & Brass**

*9:00 & 11:00 AM Childcare available for  
Infants & Toddlers*

*9:00 AM Sunday School for 2-year-olds to 5th grade*

*11:00 AM Sunday School for Kindergarten & under*



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## Following Faith

Jesus said to them, "All who want to come after me must deny him or herself, take up his or her cross, and **follow me.**" – Mark 8:34

Lent is a time to turn from self-driven desire. It is a spiritual season of sacrifice for the sake of others. Jesus laid out the challenge of the cross after feeding thousands, giving hearing to a deaf man, and sight to a blind man. His life was in service of others and it was making waves that proved to be a threat to the self-satisfied powers of the day.

Jesus had his sights placed upon a better day, but knew that day would arrive at a cost. His life would be sacrificed for others. His disciples challenged him about this and in response he laid out this challenge: "If you wish to follow me, take up your cross."

In this 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary Lenten season, we remember the sacrifice of our forebears. We are following their faith. They believed our future would be a bright beacon of witness to Christ in service of his love.

Lent is a move from "me" to "we." Plan out your own spiritual Lenten season of faith. How will you take up your cross and follow in love?

*Brian Paulson*

## Sunday Morning Worship During Lent

### Sunday, March 10

#### 1st Sunday in Lent

##### 10:00 AM — Sanctuary

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Luke 4:1-13;  
Romans 10:8b-13

##### *"Saving Faith"*

The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson

**Vesper Bells, Cherub Choir, Motet Choir**

**Chapel Music Team**

### Sunday, March 17

#### 2nd Sunday in Lent

##### 10:00 AM — Sanctuary

##### Confirmation Sunday

Psalms 27:1; 4-14; Philippians 3:17-4:1

##### *"Heaven Membership"*

The Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein

**Chancel Choir & Chapel Music Team**

### Sunday, March 24

#### 3rd Sunday in Lent

##### 10:00 AM — Sanctuary & Chapel

Isaiah 55:1-9; Luke 13:1-9

##### *"Seeking Spirit"*

The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson

**Chancel Choir in Sanctuary & Chapel  
Music Team in Chapel**

### Sunday, March 31

#### 4th Sunday in Lent

##### 10:00 AM — Sanctuary

Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

##### *"Living Liminality"*

The Rev. Ryan Wallace

**Motet Choir**

##### 10:00 AM — Chapel

2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15; 1-3, 11b-32

##### *"Imagine"*

The Rev. Amy Heinrich

**Chapel Music Team**

### Sunday, April 7

#### 5th Sunday in Lent

##### 10:00 AM — Sanctuary

John 12:1-8; Psalm 126

##### *"Why We Serve"*

The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Paulson

**Chancel Choir, Bel Canto Ringers &  
Joyful Noise Choir**

##### 10:00 AM — Chapel

Psalm 126; John 12:1-8

##### *"The Beginning of the End of the Beginning"*

The Rev. Ryan Wallace

**Chapel Music Team & Joyful Noise Choir**

### Special Events During Lent

- Ash Wednesday Dinner in Fellowship Hall on March 6 at 6:00 PM
- Sign up online for our Lenten E-Devotions