

Lent Begins on February 14! Our 40 day Discipleship journey will be introduced on Transfiguration Sunday on February 11. The purpose of Lent is to prepare our hearts for annual remembrance and celebration of Christ's work in the crucifixion and resurrection for our salvation.

This Lent season we will look to Jesus remembering what he has done or us. We will also look at ourselves. Lent is a time of self-examination and an opportunity to make positive Christ-centered changes in our lives. In other words, looking to Jesus the Red Letter Challenge exists to help us live as a more effective followers of Jesus.

For the 40 days of our journey together the Red Letter Challenge will introduce to us a better understanding of this discipleship; the daily process of living out our faith. The Red Letter Challenge employs 5 principles to help us: Being, Forgiving, Serving, Giving and Going.

By starting our Red Letter Challenge on February 11, we will complete the entire 40 day journey by Palm Sunday! With our journey into Holy Week, prayerfully, we will be more equipped than ever before to share our Easter joy and hope with others around us. Red Letter Challenge will be a whole congregation effort. This journey will encompass our Bible Classes, Sunday Worship Services and midweek services as well. While many of us give up something for Lent... this year instead of giving up something I hope you will add the opportunity to be engaged in the Words of Jesus (the red letters of your Bible).

Please be sure to pick up your Red Letter Challenge Book in the Albers Family Life Center on Sunday mornings, through the church office or Pastor Hesse.

There is an optional, recommended donation of \$20 per book and each person is encouraged to have their own book.

Lent, Holy Week & Easter Worship Schedule

Feb. 14 - Ash Wednesday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

(Holy Communion, both services; the monthly Senior Adults lunch will follow the 11:00 a.m. worship service.)

Feb. 21 - Lenten Wednesday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 - Lenten Wednesday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

March 6 - Lenten Wednesday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

March 13 - Lenten Wednesday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

(Holy Communion at *11:00 a.m.* worship; the monthly Senior Adults lunch will follow the 11:00 a.m. worship service.)

No Confirmation Class this week, Spring Break

March 20- Lenten Wednesday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

March 24 - Community Easter Egg Hunt

9:15 a.m. - Easter Activity for ages Nursery thru 4th Grade, Easter Egg Hunt

March 28 - Maundy Thursday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

(Holy Communion, both services)

March 29 - Good Friday Worship

11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

March 31 - Easter Sunday

Sunrise Worship, 6:30 a.m. (followed by Men's Club Easter Pancake Breakfast) Easter Worship, 8:00 a.m.

9:15 a.m.: Sunday School and Adult Bible Studies Easter Worship, 10:30 a.m.