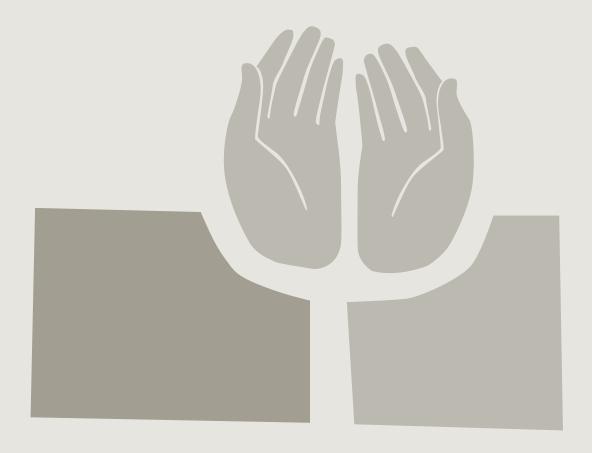
# A HOLY LENT

## **The First Sunday in Lent**

Sunday, February 26, 2023



# TODAY'S OFFERING OF WORSHIP THIS FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

We gather together...

**PRELUDE:** Passion Chorale Passion Chorale

Rebecca Groom te Velde Jeremy Young

#### WELCOME

#### CONFESSION

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name; through our Savior, lesus Christ. Amen.

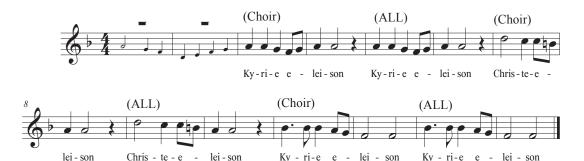
#### **ABSOLUTION**

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness. (1 Peter 2:24)

#### **CHORAL INTROIT**

## Kyrie

Richard Shepard



#### \*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

\*HYMN #214: Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

...to hear God's Word...

#### **FIRST LESSON**

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:17 (Old Testament pages 72-3)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.** 

#### **PSALM**

**HYMNAL** #798, Psalm 32

#### SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:12-19 (New Testament page 156)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Amen.

#### \*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11 (New Testament page 3)

The Gospel of our Lord, God's living Word. Thanks be to God.

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

\*HYMN #202: Once When Jesus Christ Was Hungry

**SERMON:** Rev. Todd Johnson

... and to respond with our lives ...

## BE STRONG IN THE LORD



### Be Strong in the Lord

REFRAIN is sung by the congregation six times.

VERSES are sung by the choir.

- 1. Shelter the homeless. Give food to the hungry
- 2. Lift up the lowly. Be hope for the hopeless.
- 3. Gather the lost ones. Be light in the darkness.
- 4. Reverence the old ones. Empower the young ones.
- 5. Comfort the dying. Reach out to the lonely.
- 6. Pray for the grieving. Forgive those who hurt you.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### **CHORAL RESPONSE**

A Lenten Prayer Hal H. Hopson

O only hope of all below, you did the full reward bestow.

- I. If you will not, who shall condone? You can cleanse us, you alone.
- 2. Grant that we may pray a right. Purify us in your sight.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Amen.

#### **OFFERINGS TO GOD**

Announcements

Offering

\*Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

...in the places we now go.

\*HYMN #408: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

\*BENEDICTION

Join us after the service for coffee and conversation, in the Narthex.



The flowers this morning are given by Elaine and Jim Johnson in memory of **Bonita Blake**, and in remembrance of her birthday.

GREETERS: Leach family
READERS: Colin and Sarah Quackenbush
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Corbin Sheffels
USHER: Corbin Sheffels
COFFEE SERVERS: Cheryl and Tom Knudsen
ACOLYTES: Jonah and Catelyn
LIVESTREAM: Catelyn Anderson

