

LENTEN SELF-DENIAL CAMPAIGN

Midweek Lenten Services

Wednesdays — March 26, April 2, 9 — 7:00 p.m.

We will be using the *Holden Evening Prayer* Service

Dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. on **April 9**.

So, what is Lent? Lent is the season of preparation leading up to Easter. It commemorates the forty days that Jesus spent in the wilderness being tempted by Satan. We use these forty days to contemplate our relationship with Christ and the call that He has for each of us.

People celebrate Lent with different practices: fasting, prayer, self-denial, and almsgiving. Self-denial could include giving up certain activities or luxuries, or maybe favorite hobbies for the season, And Almsgiving is all about living a generous life. But, be especially generous during Lent - maybe give to the church's **LENTEN SELF-DENIAL campaign**. You will find special **Lenten Self-Denial Envelopes** in the Narthex. Please use these envelopes to add a special and additional offering to your normal weekly or monthly offerings. This year, the Lenten Self-Denial Offering will go to support the Veteran's Stand Down in Pottstown which supports homeless veterans and veterans in need in the Pottstown area. Veterans receive hot food and can participate in a special clothing closet and food pantry just for Vets. They also can talk to providers for services and benefits and spend some fellowship time with fellow vets.



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WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERVICE

MARCH 19, 2025 7:00 PM

PRELUDE *Above All* Labenske

Please stand.

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER (booklet, pages 2-8) Haugen

Please be seated.

HISTORY OF LENTEN HYMN Susan Johns, Reader

Please remain seated. Congregation sings: #324 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

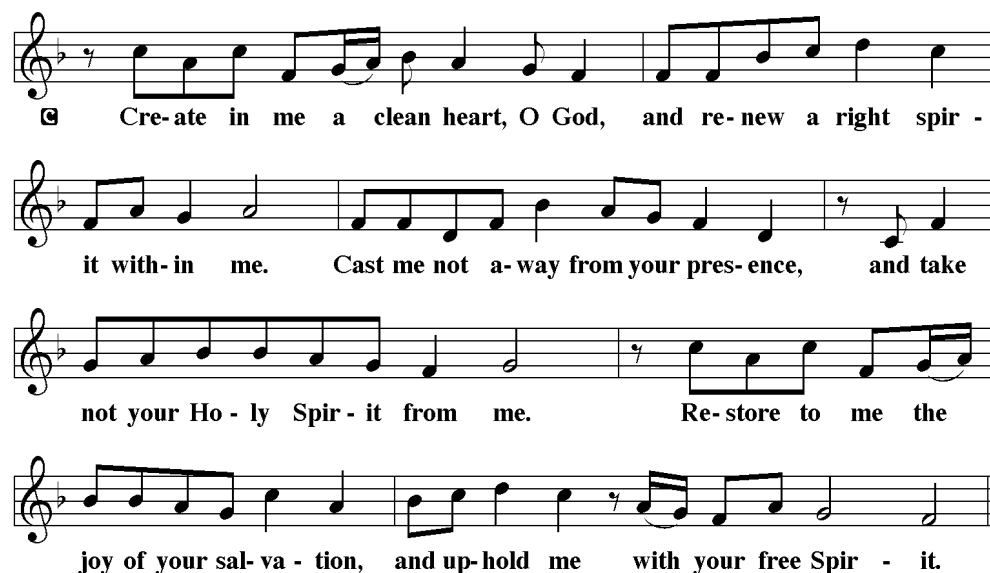
Leader: The Light shines in the darkness.

All: and the darkness has not overcome it.

OFFERING *Meditation* Bullard

Please stand.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER (cont'd. on page 8 with "The Annunciation")

POSTLUDE *Andante* Greene

***Please return the "Holden Evening Prayer" booklet
to an usher at the close of worship.***

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posted on the church's Facebook page.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are a visitor, a special welcome to you, and if you are without a church home, we invite you to join our fellowship. You are also encouraged to sign our guest register with your preferred contact information. If you do not have a Bible at home, please take one from the welcome table.

Large print bulletins and hearing receivers are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

CALENDER FOR LENT / HOLY WEEK / EASTER

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PALM SUNDAY

April 13

10:30 AM Worship with Holy Communion

Reading of the Passion

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 17

7:30 PM Holy Communion Service

Stripping of the Altar

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18

7:30 PM Worship Service

EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 19

10:00 AM

EASTER SUNDAY

April 20

8:00 AM Early Service with Holy Communion

9:00 AM Breakfast in Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Festival Worship with Holy Communion