



### LENTEN SELF-DENIAL CAMPAIGN

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

APRIL 9, 2025 7:00 PM

**PRELUDE** *How Deep the Father's Love For Us* . . . . . Labenske

*Please stand.*

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

*Please be seated.*

**HISTORY OF LENTEN HYMN** . . . . . Russ Frey, Reader  
*Remain seated please.* Congregation sings: #338 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

Leader: The Light shines in the darkness.

**All:** and the darkness has not overcome it.

**OFFERING** *Adagio*. . . . . Albinoni

*Please stand.*

### OFFERTORY RESPONSE



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

**POSTLUDE** *Sinfonia*. . . . . Purcell

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

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meeting passcode as well as recorded for subsequent distribution via email to members of the congregation and  
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### **SERVING AT WORSHIP**

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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 HOLY WEEK / EASTER**

#### **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 Brunch in Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Festival Worship with Holy Communion