



# March 5, 2017—First Sunday in Lent

*As we grow impatient for spring, fill us with Your warmth and new life, dear Lord.*  
Devotional Suggestions: Psalm 32 ~ Hymn #660



## 8:00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION Worship Service

- Organ Meditation
- \* Opening Hymn...*Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church*.....#321
- Welcome and Announcements
- \* Confession and Forgiveness.....pg. 94-96
- \* Greeting.....pg. 203  
Please respond with **"And also with you."**
- \* Announcement of the Gospel.....pg. 206  
Please respond with **"Glory to You, O Lord."**
- \* The Gospel.....St. Matthew 4:1-11  
The Gospel will end with **"The Gospel of the Lord."**  
Please respond with **"Praise to You, O Christ."**
- \* Hymn of the Day.....*The Glory of These Forty Days*.....#320  
Sermon.....*One Word*
- \* Nicene Creed.....pg. 104
- Holy Communion**
- \* Communion Blessing
- Offering
- \* Intercessory Prayer  
The leader will offer prayer petitions, concluding with **"Hear us, O God."** The congregation shall respond to each petition with **"Your mercy is great."** Please respond to the final petition ending with **"our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ"** by saying **"Amen."**
- \* The Lord's Prayer.....pg. 208
- \* Individual Benediction (*greet each other*)....**"The Lord be with you!"**
- \* Benediction of the Church and Tri-fold Amen
- \* Closing Hymn.....*Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*.....#618
- Organ Postlude

\* please stand if able

## 10:45 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION Worship Service

- Organ Prelude
- \* Processional Hymn...*Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church*.....#321
- Welcome and Announcements
- \* Confession and Forgiveness.....pg. 94-96
- \* Greeting.....pg. 203  
Please respond with **"And also with you."**
- \* Canticle of Praise (*Come, let us join*).....pg. 204b
- \* **Prayer of the Day (in unison)**  
*Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy You tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in Your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*
- First Reading.....Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7  
The lesson will end with **"The Word of the Lord."**  
Please respond with **"Thanks be to God."**
- Psalm (begin after pg. 338—in unison)**.....Psalm 32
- Second Reading.....Romans 5:12-19  
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- \* Gospel Acclamation (*We are turning*).....pg. 205b
- \* Announcement of the Gospel.....pg. 206  
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- Sermon.....*One Word*
- \* Nicene Creed.....p. 104
- Offering
- Anthem.....*Come With Your Heartaches*
- \* Offertory Hymn.....*Let the Vineyards*.....#182
- \* **Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)**  
*Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.*
- \* Great Thanksgiving.....pg. 206
- \* Seasonal Preface Response (*Holy, holy, holy Lord*).....pg. 207
- \* Words of Institution
- \* The Lord's Prayer (in unison).....pg. 208  
Communion Hymn (*Lamb of God—in unison*).....pg. 208
- Holy Communion**
- \* Communion Blessing
- \* Post-Communion Canticle.....*Thankful Hearts*.....#204
- \* Individual Benediction (*greet each other*)....**"The Lord be with you!"**
- \* Benediction of the Church and Tri-Fold Amen
- \* Dismissal—**"Go in peace. Serve the Lord."**  
Please respond with **"Thanks be to God."**
- \* Recessional Hymn.....*Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*.....#618
- Organ Postlude



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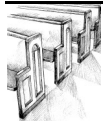
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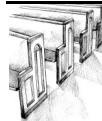
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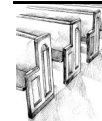
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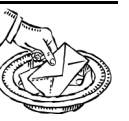
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