



Delphos Edition

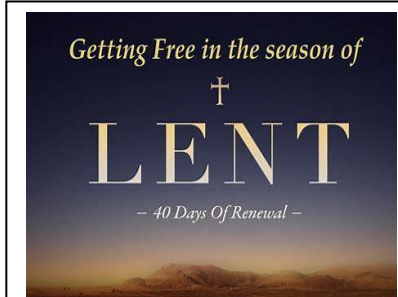
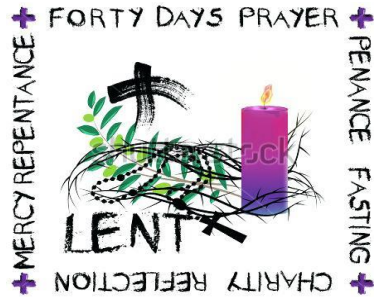
March 2023



Together, we have started the Season of Lent by observing the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Holy Week. The Lenten Season is inspired by the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert preparing for his own sacrifice. It is with that same spirit of sacrifice we ready ourselves to journey these 40 days. What if we view this desert time of Lent as not just a time to reflect or to lament or to confess or to fast; but a time where we learn to draw closer to God! After all Lent is not something we do for God - Lent is really something we do *with* God. I once worked with a lady who always wore a purple scarf across her shoulders each day during Lent. It seemed quirky...at first. Quickly all of us in the office learned to respect her and her practice. It broke each of us out of routine and forced us to pay attention to something holy in her life. Each year we looked forward to the "purple scarf". It was an opportunity for us to remember Jesus drew near us on the cross. It created a longing in us to know the Christ she loved. Maybe this purple scarf, something mundane, led others to a walk with the Savior. How are you observing Lent?

Lenten Sermon Schedule for March

- Mar 5 "Scattered Sheep", Zechariah 12:7-9, Communion
- Mar 12 "Warrior Shepherd", Matthew 12:8-14
- Mar 19 "A Shepherd's Compassion", Matthew 9:35-38, C3 Children's Day
- Mar 26 "Shepherd, Wolves, Snakes, Doves", Matthew 10:16-23



"Delphos on 321"
Youth Group
 March 5 Gospel of John, Chpt. 9
 March 19 Lunch together right after morning worship!
Spiritual Disciplines in Lent:
Pray + Fast + Give


Christ with me,
 Christ before me,
 Christ behind me,
CHRIST IN ME. CHRIST OVER ME.
Christ to right of me,
CHRIST TO LEFT OF ME,
CHRIST IN LYING DOWN. CHRIST IN SITTING.
Christ in rising up, Christ in the heart of every person who may think of me,
CHRIST IN EVERY EYE,
WHICH MAY LOOK ON ME!
CHRIST IN EVERY EAR. WHICH MAY HEAR ME!
 (St. Patrick's Breastplate)

St. Patrick's Day
March 17th



"If I have any worth, it is to live my life for God."

C3 - Children's Celebrations for Christ
Sunday, March 19, 9:30 a.m.



"Let the little children come to me...."
Bring a friend!

UMCOR - Sunday, March 19
 United Methodist Committee on Relief Sunday, when United Methodists all over the world receive a special offering. UMCOR provides food, clothing, shelter and medical care. 100% of these donations go to that need!

