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"The Holy Season of Lent"



Lent comes from the old English "Lencten" meaning "lengthening of days," for Lent as we know it usually occurs in the spring time. Lent in the very ancient church was just simply a brief period of fasting and prayer that all would observe in order to be prepared for Easter's Paschal Feast.

Lent begins every year on Ash Wednesday, which is on February 14 this year. As we begin our Lenten season on this day, at both the 10:00 am and 7:00 pm mid-week service, we will observe the ceremony called, "the Imposition of Ashes."

Every Wednesday during Lent we will have the opportunity to hear the Word of God and concentrate on the passion and death of Jesus Christ. The Wednesday services (10 am and 7 pm) will focus on the six chief parts of Luther's Small Catechism. Each week the Pastor will preach on one of the parts. The schedule is as follows:

Feb. 14 - Confession and Absolution

Feb. 21 - Ten Commandments

Feb. 28 - Apostle's Creed

Mar. 7 - Lord's Prayer

Mar. 14 - Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Mar. 21 - Sacrament of the Altar

On Ash Wednesday, everyone attending worship will receive a pocket catechism called, "A Simple Form of Christianity." You will be encouraged to bring it each week as we use it during the services.

May the Lord bless you this Holy Season of Lent as you prepare to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Blessings in Christ,

Pastor Engel