

**Lenten Service**  
February 20, 2013

**Sentences of Scripture**

(Joel 2:13)

*Leader: Return to the Lord your God,*

**People: for God is gracious and merciful,**

*Leader: slow to anger,*

**People: and abounding in steadfast love.**

**Hymn #359**

*More Love to Thee, O Christ*

More Love to Thee

**Deuteronomy 5:4-10 NRSV**

The LORD spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the fire. (At that time I was standing between the LORD and you to declare to you the words of the LORD; for you were afraid because of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

**Scripture Reading Mat 5:13-19 NRSV**

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks Be To God**

**Meditation**

**No Other God's. No Idols.**

**Litany For Lent**

O Christ,  
out of your fullness we have all received grace upon grace...  
...you are generous to all who call upon you.

**Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, fountain of life and holiness,...  
...and were bruised for our iniquities.

**Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, obedient unto death,...  
...our peace and reconciliation:

**Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, Savior of all who trust you,  
hope of all who die for you,  
and joy of all the saints:

**Save us, Lord.**  
Jesus, Lamb of God,

**have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

**have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

**grant us peace.**

Everlasting God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being, . . .  
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Hymn #388**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

Angel's Story

**Closing Prayer and Table Blessing**