

## Midweek Lenten Service

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Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD  
Lenten Responsive Prayer Service  
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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HYMN

*Bless Now, O God, the Journey*

ELW #326

- 1 Bless now, O God, the journey  
that all your people make,  
the path through noise and silence,  
the way of give and take.  
The trail is found in desert  
and winds the mountain round,  
then leads beside still waters,  
the road where faith is found.
- 2 Bless sojourners and pilgrims  
who share this winding way;  
your hope burns through the terrors,  
your love sustains the day.  
We yearn for holy freedom  
while often we are bound;  
together we are seeking  
the road where faith is found.
- 3 Divine eternal lover,  
you meet us on the road.  
We wait for land of promise  
where milk and honey flow,  
but waiting not for places,  
you meet us all around.  
Our covenant is written  
on roads, as faith is found.

### INVOCATION

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy and hear us.

## APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## READING

### Matthew 28:16-20

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

## HOMILY

Pastor Jim Holthus

## HYMN

### *Word of God, Come Down on Earth*

ELW #510

1 Word of God, come down on earth,  
living rain from heav'n descending;  
touch our hearts and bring to birth  
faith and hope and love unending.  
Word almighty, we revere you;  
Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

2 Word eternal, throned on high,  
Word that brought to life creation,  
Word that came from heav'n to die,  
crucified for our salvation,

saving Word, the world restoring,  
speak to us, your love outpouring.

- 3 Word that speaks God's tender love,  
one with God beyond all telling,  
Word that sends us from above  
God the Spirit, with us dwelling,  
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;  
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

## PRAYERS

*Prayer response:*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## BENEDICTION

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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✚ Offerings may be placed in the basket at the back of the sanctuary. *You can also give online at [zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving](http://zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving). If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.*



✝ **The theme of our midweek Lenten services is Luther's Small Catechism:**

March 8—The Ten Commandments

March 15—The Apostle's Creed/Lord's Prayer

March 22—Holy Baptism

March 29—Holy Communion

✝ **Join us for Wednesdays in Lent: March 8, 15, 22, 29**

**12:15 PM & 6:05 PM – Midweek worship**

**Meals served at 11:30 AM & 5:30 PM with to-go options available after the noon hour service**

✝ **Holy Week:**

**Palm Sunday:** April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 AM

Meal & Intergenerational Sunday School  
@10:10 AM

**Maundy Thursday:** April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:05 PM

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade First Communion

**Good Friday:** ELCA Community Service @ 12:00 PM at  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:05 PM at Zion

**Easter Sunday:** April 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM