

The Lenten Season and Holy Week at Calvary

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17 is the first day of Lent, a 40-day season of repentance that culminates on Holy Saturday. It is tradition on this day to put ashes on one's forehead reminding us of our creation and our mortality: *You are dust, and to dust you shall return. Genesis 3:19*

Service of ashes, 7 am and 6:30 pm in the chapel

Sundays in Lent. Worship is at 8:15 am in the chapel and 10:55 am in the sanctuary. (Note worship time changes on Palm Sunday and Easter.) Special care for babies and children is provided.

Church for all ages is from 9:30–10:30 am.

A service of healing and hope, March 9 will be offered for those in the midst of grief, illness or any kind of loss or chronic health situation. Spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically, Lent is a time to look deeply at our lives—especially when we are living in more darkness than light. This will be a service of sharing honestly what we each face in our lives with love and respect for each person's journey. In addition to experiencing scripture, song, prayer and artwork, you will have the opportunity to be anointed with oil for healing if you wish. A reception will follow with Stephen Ministers available for further conversation.

Service of healing and hope, 6:30 pm in the music room

Palm Sunday, March 28 is the sixth Sunday in Lent and the first day of Holy Week.

The waving of palm fronds commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and the beginning of the events of Christ's Passion—his journey to the cross.

Church school for all ages, 9 am

Palm Sunday worship, 10:30 am (one service) in the sanctuary

Holy Week. After Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, he taught in the temple on Monday and Tuesday. He rested at Bethany on Wednesday. Thursday he returned to Jerusalem, washed the feet of his disciples, shared the Last Supper with his disciples and faced Judas' betrayal. On Friday, Jesus was crucified. Saturday his body lay in the tomb.

March 29–31, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 12:15 pm in the chapel

These half-hour services will be simple and contemplative, using the arts as well as scripture, silence, music and prayer. It is a wonderful opportunity to invite co-workers to worship during the lunch hour.

Maundy Thursday, April 1 is when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, shared the Lord's Supper and offered a new commandment. Maundy is derived from the Gospel of John 13:34—*Mandatum novum do vobis*—"A new commandment I give you: Love one another."

Service of foot washing, 12:15 pm in the chapel

Communion by intinction, 7 pm in the sanctuary

Good Friday, April 2 is traditionally believed to have been called God's Friday, but through years of translation "God" became "Good." Christians view this Friday as "good" because they view Christ's suffering through the lens of his resurrection and triumph over death. This does not negate Jesus' suffering, but rather adds further significance to the last words he uttered:

Father, forgive them,
for they do not know what they are doing. Luke 23:34
I tell you the truth; today you will be with me in paradise. Luke 23:43
Dear woman, here is your son, and here is your mother. John 19:26, 27
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Matthew 27:46, Mark 15:34
I am thirsty. John 19:28
It is finished. John 19:30
Father, into your hands I commit my spirit. Luke 23:46

Meditation on the Seven Last Words of Christ, 12:15 pm in the chapel

Holy Saturday, April 3. "Holy" means "set apart, sacred." On this Saturday as Jesus lay in the tomb, we remember the day that Jesus was literally most apart from us—having fully died and yet not risen.

Meditative service, 12:15 pm in the chapel

Easter Sunday, April 4 is the biggest celebration in the Christian liturgical year. On this day we celebrate Christ's resurrection from the dead. We worship at sunrise to share the women's experience of discovering the empty tomb in the early hours before daylight.

Sunrise service, 6:15 am,

Cherry Creek Reservoir, Hobie Hill

\$7 park pass required at the gate

Children's Easter workshop, 9 am in east wing classrooms

Church school for all ages, 9 am

Easter worship, 10:30 am (one service) in the sanctuary

