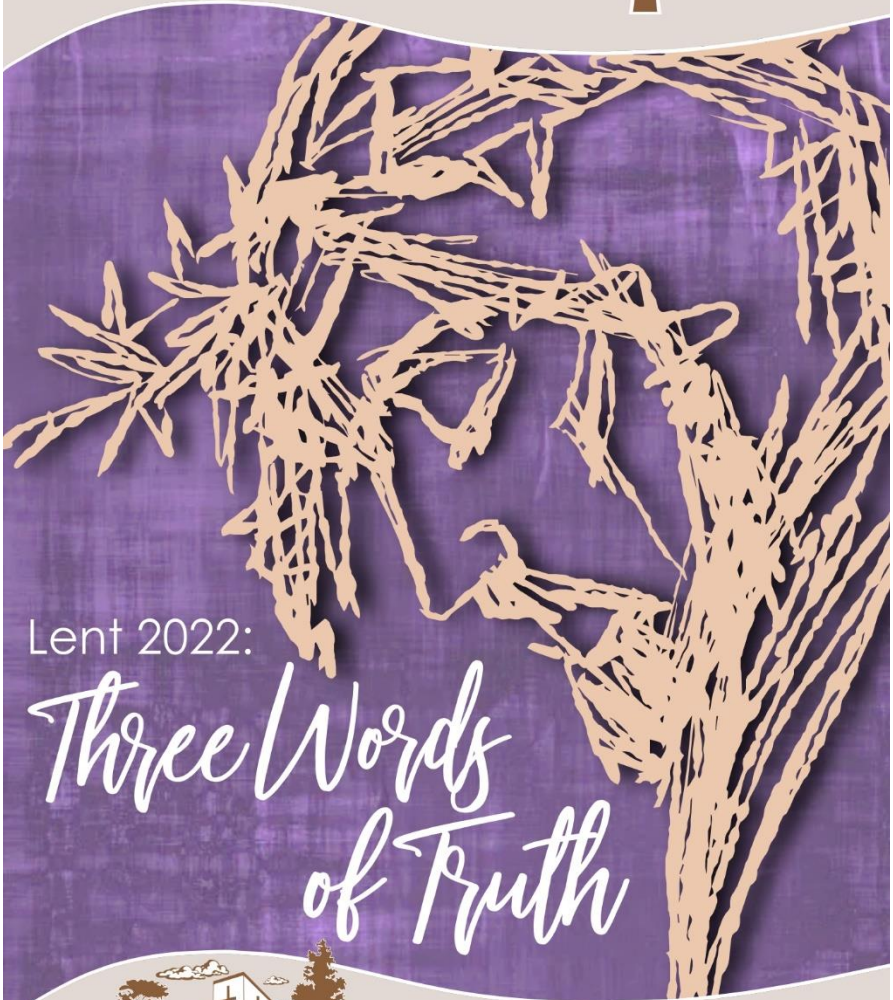


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Ash Wednesday



Lent 2022:

*Three Words
of Truth*



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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Opening Hymn: TLH #141:3-4 *“Enslaved by Sin and Bound”*

P O Lord, open my lips.

C ♪ **And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C ♪ **Make haste to help me, O Lord.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

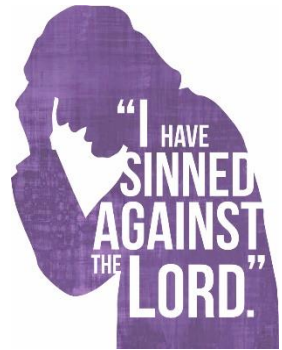
forevermore. Amen. Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Based on Psalm 143

P O Lord, hear our prayer, listen to our cries for mercy, and in Your faithfulness, come to our relief. Do not bring Your servants into judgment, for no one living is righteous before You. Answer us quickly, O Lord; our spirits fail. Do not hide Your face from us, for we have put our trust in You. Show us the way we should go, for to You we lift up our souls. Teach us to do Your will, for You are our God.

C **Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and repentant sinner, confess that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, my words, and my actions. Like the disciples, I have boldly declared loyalty to you only to fail to proclaim Your name; I have foolishly listened to the devil’s lies only to be crushed with guilt and shame.**



Moment of silence for private confession.

P Jesus says to His people: “If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven.” His death paid for the guilt of Your sins and the sins of the whole world. Do you believe this?

C **Yes, I believe.**

P Because of the promise of our Savior Jesus and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life.

PENITENTIAL PSALM

Ps. 6:1ff

P O LORD, rebuke me not in Your anger, nor discipline me in Your wrath.

C Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing; heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled.

P My soul also is greatly troubled. But You, O LORD—how long?

C Turn, O LORD, deliver my life; save me for the sake of Your steadfast love.

P I am weary with my moaning; every night I flood my bed with tears; I drench my couch with my weeping.

C Depart from me, all you workers of evil, for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping.

P The LORD has heard my plea; the LORD accepts my prayer.

Response: WS #724

"Jesus, Remember Me"

C ♪ Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. (2x)

✠ Reading from the Passion History of Our Lord ✠

Hymn: TLH #156

"Not All the Blood of Beasts"

✠ The Sermon ✠

Matthew 26:20-25

When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. ²¹ And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." ²² And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" ²³ He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me." ²⁴ The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." ²⁵ Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so."

Three Words of Truth: "Is It I?"



Hymn: Below

“My Song is Love Unknown”



1. My song is love un -
 2. He came from His blest
 3. Here might I stay and



known, My Sav - ior's love to me, Love
 throne Sal - va - tion to be - stow; But
 sing, No story so di - vi - ne! Nev -



to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
 men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
 er was love, dear King, Nev - er was grief like



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
 know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
 Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 Who at my need His life did spend!
 I all my days Could gla - dly spend.

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

C In the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.
 I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me today, and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins, wherever I have done wrong, and graciously protect me tonight. Into Your hands I entrust my body and soul and everything else. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the devil may have no power over me. Amen.

✠ The Benediction ✠

CLOSING HYMN: WS #783 “Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep”