

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Song

Sentences

P: Yet even now, declares
the Lord, return to me with all
your heart (Joel 2:12a)

**C: For out of the heart come evil
thoughts, murder, adultery,
sexual immorality, theft, false
witness, slander.** (Matthew 15:19)

P: With fasting, with weeping, and
with mourning (Joel 2:12b)

**C: You will seek me and find me,
when you seek me with all your
heart. I will be found by you,
declares the Lord.** (Jeremiah 29:13-
14a)

P: And rend your hearts and
not your garments. (Joel 2:13a)

**C: The fool says in his
heart, "There is no God." They
are corrupt, they do
abominable deeds; there is
none who does good.** (Psalm 14:1)

P: Return to the Lord your God
(Joel 2:13b)

**C: A perverse heart shall be far
from me; I will know nothing of
evil.** (Psalm 101:4)

P: For he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding
in steadfast love. (Joel 2:13b)

**C: For I know the plans I have for
you, declares the Lord, plans
for welfare and not for evil, to
give you a future and a hope.**
(Jeremiah 29:11)

Confession

Awesome God, hold us close for
a moment that we may look
deep inside and not be afraid to
offer ourselves to you. Only in
your tender grasp can we face
our struggles:

- our reluctance to do something
extravagant for you and others;
- the quick rise to anger when our
pride is offended;
- the ease with which we let
someone else play our part, fulfill
our task;
- our clamoring for center stage,
to be noticed, approved
- our silence in the face of great
joy or blatant wrong.

Hold us close, that in the telling
of our tale, we might find shelter
under your wings and feel our
burdens roll away. Amen.

Assurance

Creed

I believe in God the Father
Almighty, Maker of heaven and
earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into
hell; The third day He rose again
from the dead; He ascended
into heaven and is seated at the
right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from there He shall
come to judge the living and the
dead.

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

Passion Reading

...from *The Passion of the Christ -- Harmony of the Gospels*

Message --*Jesus on Trial*

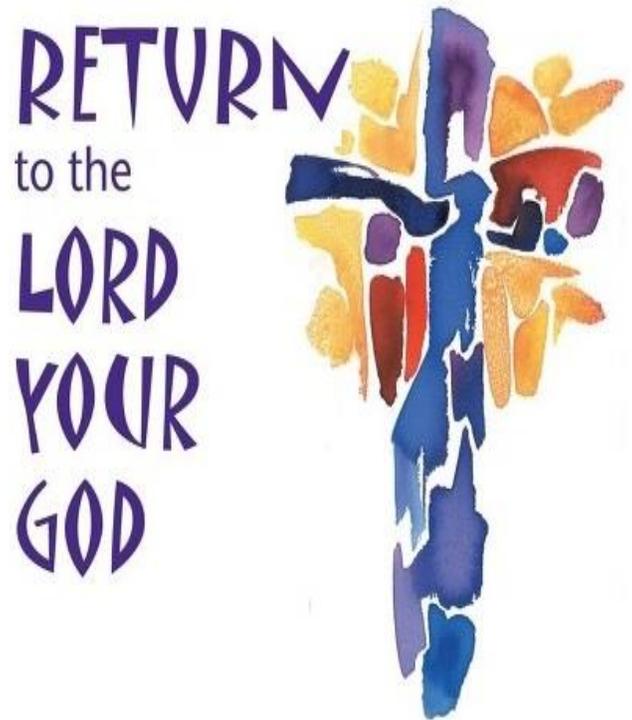
Prayer --EXAMEN

Lord's Prayer

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Song



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