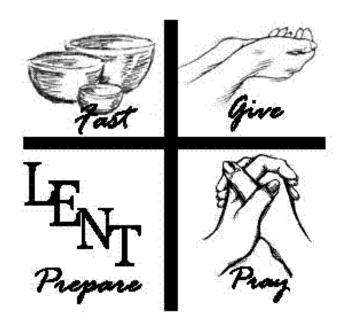
Making Ashes





Making ashes from last year's Palm Sunday palms for Ash Wednesday.

"From dust you come, and to dust you shall return." Genesis 3:19



The Reason for the Season: LENT

During Lent we turn our eyes to Jesus, who promises liberation and healing. We gather as a community to be strengthened for the journey ahead.

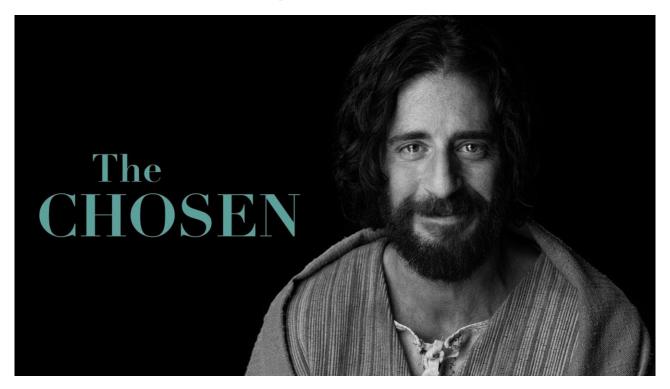
The Lenten season this year begins on February 22nd — with Ash Wednesday — and will continue until Easter on April 9th. Lent lasts for 40 days (Sundays in between are not counted toward the forty days, because each Sunday is considered a mini-Easter).

The forty days of Lent recall the 40 day fast of Jesus in the wilderness after his baptism (Matthew 4:2, Mark 1:12-13, Luke 4:1-2) and Moses' 40 day fast on Mount Sinai (Exodus 34:28). It is a time of simplicity and preparation. The days of Lent are a time for us to ask the questions: Are we happy with our lives? Is this the way we want to live the rest of our lives? Are our lives shaped by God's love for us, or by the culture of the world around us?

Many Christians give up something during the season of Lent. Doing so opens up space in our lives for God to appear in new ways.

The Liturgical color for Lent is purple signifying the suffering of Jesus (think blood and bruises) and also Jesus' reign in glory. Purple was the color of the Roman Emperor's toga. Because Lent is a somber season of reflection on our human frailty and our need for God, we refrain from using the word "Alleluia."

Adult Forum – Wednesday March 1st Episode #4



We are watching and discussing the first season of the critically acclaimed series "The Chosen".

https://www.nytimes.com/2022/11/25/us/the-chosen-jesus-streaming-tv.html

Wednesdays @7PM in person & on-line March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

We will be meeting in person in Jacobs Hall and on-line over Zoom. Here is the Zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82646905094?pwd=eEVHaG9LekNkUDllbGVWRW55aDAvQT09

Meeting ID: 826 4690 5094 Passcode: 083059

All episodes of "The Chosen" can be viewed on Netflix, Amazon Prime and for free at the website: www.angel.com

On-line Worship at Emanuel Sundays at 10:30AM



What to Do - if You would Like to Come to On-line Worship

Just click on the Zoom link below on Sunday at 10:30AM: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93690864460?pwd=cHZ5RVNsdnFYcDhhNVdMKzA2VEN1QT09

You can also join us by phone by calling (929) 205-6099 and entering Meeting ID: 936 9086 4460 and Password: 933328

A video of the service will be posted on Emanuel's website and Facebook group page later in the day.

Offerings to Emanuel



Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has been mailing in their offering or giving through Simply Giving and Givelify.

Offerings can be mailed to:

Emanuel Lutheran Church 9 New London Avenue West Warwick, RI 02893

OR you can use either the Simply Giving program, which allows you to automate the giving of an offering from a checking account, or Givelify, which is online app that allows giving through a debit or credit card.

If you would like to find out more about either of these, please let Emanuel's Treasurer, Carol Johnson, or Pastor Todd know. Thank you.

You can give to Emanuel through Givelify by clicking on the DONATE button on Emanuel's website OR by clicking here: <u>Donate</u>

www.emanuelww.org

Please keep these children of God in your prayers this week:

For Healing & Comfort: Mohammad Dadfar (Jon Groleau's father-in-law)

For Grieving: the family & friends of John Teehan

Worship Assistants

	Serving February 26:	Serving March 5:
Counter:	Glenn Johnson	Glenn Johnson
	8:00AM	8:00AM
Lector	Kathy Garriott	
	10:30AM	10:30AM
Deacon:	Donna Sennett	Bruce Johnson
Acolyte:		
Ushers	Joanne Powers & Pauline LaVallee	
Lector:	Kelly Schwab	
Coffee Hour		Pot Luck

February's Memorial Candle



The Memorial Candle for February is given in memory of **George Thomas Fekete** from his loving family.

This Week at Emanuel

Sunday, February 19 7 th Sunday after Epiphany Transfiguration Sunday Reconciling in Christ Sunday		Worship IN Person Confirmation & choir Worship IN Person & Online Coffee Hour
Monday, February 20	10:00am 7:00pm	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM) Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
Tuesday, February 21		Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM, Pastor's Office Hours 10AM – 2PM Scandinavian Women's Chorus
Wednesday, February 22 Ash Wednesday 1st Day of Lent		Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH) Dispensation of Ashes Ash Wednesday service w/dispensation of ashes
Thursday, February 23 2 nd Day of Lent	10:00am 12:30pm	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall) Live, Laugh, Learn Lunch @ Smokey Bones
Friday, February 24 3 rd Day of Lent		
Saturday, February 25 4 th Day of Lent		
Sunday, February 26 First Sunday in Lent	8:00am 9:15am 10:30am 11:30am	Worship IN Person Sunday school & choir Worship IN Person & Online Coffee Hour

Next Week at Emanuel

Monday, February 27 5 th Day of Lent	10:00am 7:00pm	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM) Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
Tuesday, February 28 6 th Day of Lent	10:00am 7:00pm	Pastor's Office Hours 10AM – 2PM
Wednesday, March 1 7 th Day of Lent	10:00am 7:00pm	Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH) Adult Forum – The Chosen \$1.e4 (JH & Online)
Thursday, March 2 8 th Day of Lent	10:00am 4:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Finance Committee (Online)
Friday, March 3 9 th Day of Lent		
Saturday, March 4 10 th Day of Lent		
Sunday, March 5 Second Sunday in Lent	8:00am 9:15am 10:30am 11:30am	•

Upcoming Commemorations

Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr, died 156 Thursday, February 23, 2023

Because he is said to have been known by John, the author of Revelation, as well as the important early church fathers Irenaeus and Ignatius, Polycarp serves as a vital link in church history. He was burned at the stake at age 86 for refusing to renounce his faith.

Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, died 1921 Saturday, February 25, 2023

Born in Norway and trained there as a deaconess, Fedde was asked to come and minister to the poor and to seamen in New York City. She established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn as well as Deaconess Hospital in Minneapolis.

George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633 Wednesday, March 1, 2023

An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

John Wesley, died 1791; Charles Wesley, died 1788; renewers of the church Thursday, March 2, 2023

These brothers led a revival originally intended to remain within the Church of England, one that involved frequent communion and advocacy for the poor. Except for a brief time in America, they worked in England. Charles was also a prolific hymn writer. After their deaths, their work led to the formation of the Methodist Church.

Double click on link below to see Emanuel's online calendar:

Emanuel's Online Calendar

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.