

DAYS

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OF LENT



Lenten Worship Service

Evening Prayer

Holden Evening Prayer (see booklet)

March 12, 2025

7:00 p.m.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

We stand.

Service of Light

We sit.

The Psalmody

The Cantor and Women Sing: "All" and "Group One"

The Pastor & Men Sing: "All" and "Group Two"

Psalm Prayer

We read responsively.

Reading: Psalm 113

1Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

2Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore.

3From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the LORD is to be praised.

4The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

5Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,

6who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

7He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

8to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

9He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children.

Praise the LORD!

Reading: Psalm 146

1Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

2I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

3Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

**4When their breath departs, they return to the earth;
on that very day their plans perish.**

**5Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD their God,**

**6who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them;
who keeps faith forever;**

7who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free;

8the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

**The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**

**9The LORD watches over the strangers;
he upholds the orphan and the widow,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.**

10The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

Reading: Psalm 104:1-4, 10-24

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great.

You are clothed with honor and majesty,

²wrapped in light as with a garment.

You stretch out the heavens like a tent,

³you set the beams of your chambers on the waters, you make the clouds your chariot,

you ride on the wings of the wind,

⁴you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers.

¹⁰You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills,

¹¹giving drink to every wild animal; the wild asses quench their thirst.

¹²By the streams the birds of the air have their habitation;

they sing among the branches.

¹³From your lofty abode you water the mountains;

the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.

¹⁴You cause the grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for people to use,

to bring forth food from the earth,

¹⁵and wine to gladden the human heart, oil to make the face shine,

and bread to strengthen the human heart.

¹⁶The trees of the LORD are watered abundantly,

the cedars of Lebanon that he planted.

¹⁷In them the birds build their nests; the stork has its home in the fir trees.

¹⁸The high mountains are for the wild goats; the rocks are a refuge for the coney.

¹⁹You have made the moon to mark the seasons;

the sun knows its time for setting.

²⁰You make darkness, and it is night,

when all the animals of the forest come creeping out.

²¹The young lions roar for their prey, seeking their food from God.

²²When the sun rises, they withdraw and lie down in their dens.

²³People go out to their work and to their labor until the evening.

²⁴O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Homily

We stand.

The Annunciation

The Magnificat

Litany and Prayers

Final Blessing

Lent Schedule:

Soup Supper @ 6:00 and Service @ 7:00 p.m.

March 12 - Grace Lutheran Church

March 19 - St. John's Episcopal Church

March 26 - St. James Lutheran Church

April 2 - Bethlehem Lutheran Church

April 9 - Zion Lutheran Church



Joint Vespers

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Waynesboro, VA 22980

Grace Lutheran Church
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Waynesboro, VA 22980

St. James Lutheran Church
320 St. James Road
Fishersville, VA 22939

St. John's Episcopal Church
473 South Wayne Avenue
Waynesboro, VA 22980

Zion Lutheran Church
297 Zion Church Road
Waynesboro, VA 22980

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