

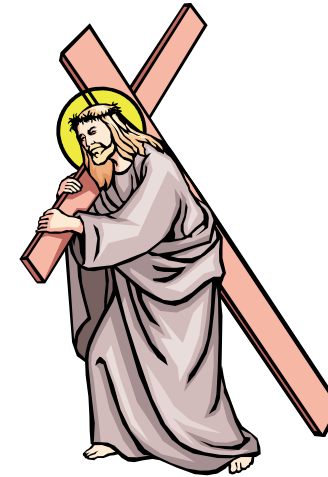
*A Message from the Pastors:*

“Songs of Lament, Stories of Faith” is the theme for Luther Memorial's education offerings this Lent. On Sundays we will reflect on the old psalms of lament used by God's people for centuries to give voice to their pain, suffering and abiding faith in the One who comes to make all things new. On Wednesday evenings we have a chance to read together several twentieth century American short-stories. In them you'll find themes of faith, compassion, trust, and sorrow. This Lent is a great opportunity to hear again the poetry of scripture and the recent voices of those who struggle to live their faith in a broken world. We hope that this season becomes for you a time of renewal and reflection as we journey together on the way to the cross.

*Pastor Brad Pohlman*

*Pastor Craig Jan-McMahon*

# Lent 2008



“. . .In our lives we should not succumb to despair because of our errors and our sins, for the past is never closed down and receives the meaning we give it by our subsequent actions.”

—Czeslaw Milosz from “What I Learned from Jeanne Hersch”  
in *New and Collected Poems: 1931-2001*

## **Parking**

During the day or on weekday evenings, parking is available in the underground garage or in the outside lot at the corner of Johnson and Mills. Additional parking at metered spots is available on side streets or under the Grainger Business School, one block east. Because the university is in session during the week, parking may take a few extra minutes.

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**Ash Wednesday**  
**The First Day of Lent**  
**February 6**



- 12:15 p.m. Holy Communion with hymns and with imposition of ashes
- 7:30 p.m. Choral Holy Communion with imposition of ashes

**Sundays in Lent**  
**February 10 — March 9**

- 8:00 a.m. Sung Holy Communion
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Forum
- 10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Communion

**Adult Forum on Sundays**

On each Sunday in Lent, the Forum will meet in the Great Room for discussion of the Psalms, beginning with a view of their place in the church liturgy then studies of the particular Psalms we sing in this Lenten Season. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

**February 10**  
**Psalms in Worship**

Director of Music Bruce Bengtson will lead an exploration of the Psalms in the liturgy of the church. Bruce will focus on the function and place of the Psalms in the worship life of the church through the years.

**February 17-March 9**  
**Lenten Psalms**

Focusing specifically on the Psalms we sing for Lent, Rev. David Susan will guide us through the Psalms as it relates to this period of time the church sets aside for soul searching and repentance. This focus will prepare us for Palm Sunday and Easter.

**Wednesdays in Lent**  
**February 13 — March 12**

- 12:00 p.m. Organ Recital
- 5:30 p.m. Light supper in the Great Room
- 6:15 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 6:45 p.m. Lenten Study

As has been the custom at Luther Memorial, our Lenten journey will include Wednesday evening soup suppers followed by a simple, contemplative service of Evening Prayer and a study.

*The Lenten Study* this year will focus on “Stories of Faith” and will examine the idea that the stories we tell say something about the way we make meaning of human experience. We will discuss the following:

- 2/13: Tim Gautreaux, “Welding with Children”
- 2/20: Thomas Merton, “Sincerity” and Grace Paley, “A Conversation with my Father”
- 2/27: Lorrie Moore, “People Like that are the Only People Here; Canonical Babbling in Peed Oink” or Tim O’Brien, “How to Tell a True War Story”
- 3/5: Flannery O’Conner, “A Good Man is Hard to Find”
- 3/12: Will Weaver, *Sweetland*

Copies of these stories will be available on the welcome desk and can be downloaded at <http://cjanmcmahon.googlepages.com/home>. Please join in a discussion of these stories and the themes they raise at <http://polsof.blogspot.com>.

**Palm/Passion Sunday**  
**March 16**

- 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Procession of palms and a dramatized reading of The Passion According to St. Matthew. The procession will begin at 10:20.

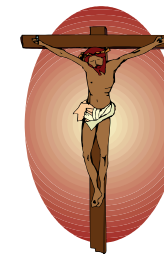


**Maundy Thursday**  
**March 20**

- 12:15 p.m. Holy Communion with hymns
- 7:30 p.m. Choral Holy Communion; stripping of the chancel and altar

**Good Friday**  
**March 21**

- 12:00 p.m. Tre Ore (three hour) devotional service on the Seven Words from the Cross with meditations and organ music. Individuals offering meditations include Miriam Hull, Rolf Nervig, Jim Koza, Jon Enslin, Nicole Espy, Shannon Kelly
- 7:30 p.m. Good Friday liturgy with the reading of The Passion According to St. John and the Bidding Prayers.



**Easter Vigil**  
**March 22**

- 8:00 p.m. Service of Light, Scripture, Holy Baptism, and Holy Communion



**The Festival of the Resurrection**  
**March 23**

- 9:00 a.m. Festival Holy Communion
- 9:30-11 a.m. Easter breakfast in the Great Room to raise funds for Luther Memorial’s mission trips.
- 11:00 a.m. Festival Holy Communion