

# Lent & Easter 2024: *Wandering Heart*



Like many of us, Peter has a wandering heart. His journey is not polished, or linear, or perfect, but he is always tethered to the love of God. When you look closely at Peter's story, you find Jesus at each step along the way—offering him abundance, catching him when he begins to sink, challenging him when he stands in the way, washing his feet, predicting his betrayal, and offering him agapē love.

This Lenten Season, we're joining Peter in figuring out faith and hoping to wander alongside him, open to what we might learn about Jesus (and ourselves) by stepping in his shoes.

*Pastor Diane,  
Lent & Easter 2024*

## March 24, Palm/Passion Sunday

Pick up your palm frond in the Narthex before worship. We will gather outside and wave our palm fronds as we process into the Sanctuary during the singing of the first hymn.



## March 31, Easter Sunday

Please bring fresh-cut flowers to the Narthex on Easter Sunday morning to decorate the Easter cross.

## Worship

Ash Wednesday	Feb. 14
6:30 p.m. Imposition of Ashes / Communion	
First Sunday in Lent	Feb. 18
<i>Jesus sought me</i>	<i>Luke 5:1-11</i>
Communion / Annual Meeting	
Second Sunday in Lent	Feb. 25
<i>Rescue me from danger</i>	<i>Matthew 14:22-33</i>
Third Sunday in Lent	March 3
<i>Praise the mount</i>	<i>Matthew 16:13-20</i>
Communion	
Fourth Sunday in Lent	March 10
<i>I'm fixed upon it</i>	<i>Matthew 16:21-33</i>
Fifth Sunday in Lent	March 17
<i>ELCA Assoc. Bishop Kris Tetzke preaching</i>	
Communion	
Palm/Passion Sunday	March 24
<i>Songs of loudest praise</i>	<i>John 12:12-16</i>
Lone Star Brass	
Maundy Thursday	March 28
6:30 p.m. Dinner & Communion Service	
Good Friday	March 29
Noon at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church	
Easter Sunday	March 31
<i>And I hope</i>	<i>Luke 24:1-12</i>
Communion	

## Sundays

Adult Church School	9:30 a.m.
Children's Church School	10:15 a.m.
Worship	11:00 a.m.

### Lenten Reflections with Pastor Diane 9:30 a.m. Koínonía Room

Using the art, reflections, and prompts from the Lenten Devotional Booklet for *Wandering Heart: Figuring out faith with Peter*, Pastor Diane will explore what it can mean to wander alongside Peter in discovering our faith.

Copies of the booklet are available in the Narthex. Prior reading is not required. Simply come at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday!

### Lenten Sunday Suppers

March 3, 10, and 17 at 5:30 p.m.

St. Nicholas' Episcopal

*Being Mortal*, by Dr. Atul Gawande

Lent is an opportunity to take inventory and responsibility for our end-of-life decisions and planning. We begin our Lenten walk to Easter by hearing "Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return"... and we acknowledge our humanity and our mortality.

- **March 3**—Moving from independence to end of life issues/decisions.
- **March 10**—Navigating the legal pathways to a less stressful plan.
- **March 17**—End of life celebration planning and decision making.

Bring your own supper and beverage. We will meet in the Parish Hall at St. Nicholas' at 5:30 p.m.



HOLDEN  
EVENING PRAYER

### Wednesday Lenten Prayer Services

Gather for Food & Fellowship at 5:30 p.m.

Devotion at 6:15 p.m.

Evening Prayer at 6:30 p.m.

Holden Evening Prayer was written in 1985-86 by Marty Haugen during a musical residency at Holden Village. It is a simple vespers service (similar to Taizé) that follows traditional form while using contemporary and inclusive language.



March 10-16

For more information contact Jeff Laufer.

### One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Easter Sunday, March 31

Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through *One Great Hour of Sharing* to share God's love with those in need. Your generous gifts assist those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and help build strong communities.



## Easter Breakfast



Easter Sunday, March 31

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Join us for breakfast on Easter morning! Signup sheets are located in the Narthex across from the church office. For more information, please contact Congregational Life Team.



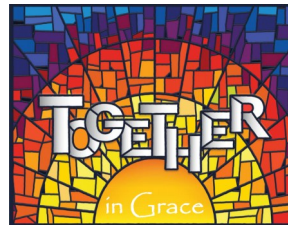
Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, March 31

10:15 a.m.

There will be two hunts: (1) children and youth; and (2) adults. Both hunts will be indoors. We will be collecting goodies to "stuff" the plastic eggs with—collection boxes in the Narthex.

For more information contact the Congregational Life Team.



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## LENT and EASTER 2024



*Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart; O take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.*

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