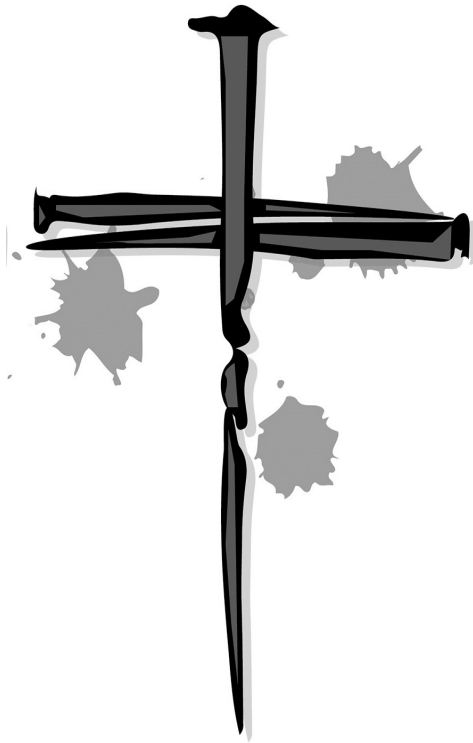
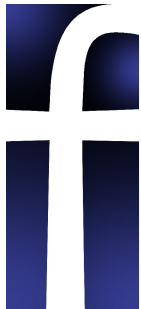


# Three Words



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**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in Lent**  
**March 13, 2019**

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## Our Order of Worship

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**M:** Minister; **W:** Worshipers

### Ringling of the Bell and Welcome

**Opening Hymn:** [116] In the Hour of Trial

Worshippers stand.

### Invocation

**Minster:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Worshippers:** Amen.

**M:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**W:** Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

**M:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**W:** Amen.

Worshippers sit.

**M:** Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**W:** Amen.

**Psalm 40**

Read by Pastor

**Psalm Prayer**

**M:** Lord God, our Help and our Deliverer, we thank you for lifting us out of the mud and mire, and for setting our feet upon the Rock, our Lord Jesus Christ, who carried out your will and rose to live and rule with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**W:** Amen.

**Lesson 2:** Passion Reading**Seasonal Response**

**All:** All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

**Sermon Hymn:** [472] Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray**Message**

**THEME:** Watch and Pray

**TEXT:** Matthew 26:35-41

But Peter declared, “Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.” And all the other disciples said the same.

Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there to pray.” He then took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.” Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?” he asked Peter. “Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.”

**Gathering of Offerings for the Lord**

Worshippers stand.

**Prayers****Lord’s Prayer**

**All:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.





