



Presently, we are in one of the most important seasons of the Christian Year. Every year, Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17) starts the beginning of **Lent** and is always 46 days before Easter Sunday. (April 4th)

Lent is a 40-day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, and culminating with the ultimate celebration of Easter. This 40-day period represents Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness, where he fasted and was tempted by Satan.

Lent asked us to set aside a time to give up something or do without something and focus on Christ's life, ministry, sacrifice, and resurrection.

Here are my favorite verses that may help you reflect on Lent: Philippians 3:10-11 *"I want to know Christ, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead."*

The main purpose of Lent is to honestly examine your life in light of God's Word and to make a meaningful commitment to change any areas that you have not submitted to the Lord. For me personally a great way to start is by examining your heart Psalms 139: 23-24. *"Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."* Followed by Psalms 51: 10,12 *"Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit."*

Lent is a time when Christians separate themselves from the world. We remind ourselves that our Faith is not just a feel-good, self-help religion but a personal relationship with Jesus Christ who we celebrate as our Risen Savior. I believe that if you will spend some time of reflection this Lent season you will have an increased appreciation for who God is and for what He has done in your life.

My hope and prayer is that you will experience afresh and anew the Joy of your Salvation, the Joy of His Resurrection, and the Promise of Eternity.



Happy Easter!!! Pastor Bill



Palm Sunday is March 28th



March 14th

WINGS

(Women in God's Service) Is collecting \$25 Ruler Gift Cards For the R'ville Family Resource Center Your help is appreciated.

Board Meeting

March 21st

After services



Serving in March 2021

Elders: Billy & Gayle Goley

Deacons: Donna Bryan, Rita Dilliha

Prayer Concerns:			
Danny Anderson	Jean Gragg	Ken Mercer	Lauren Riley Stafford
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Patricia Y. Bailey	Betty Johnson	Roberta Northern	Mildred & Marshall
Micky Hicks	Frankie Hicks	Gary Arnold	Johnnie & Laurine
Cheryl Rogers	Bill Gaines	Beverly Burbage	

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