

# Lent 1: 13 March 11



*Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Matthew 5:3*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RINGING OF THE BELLS

#### PRELUDE

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: *deep beneath the din  
that batters our senses numb  
deep beyond the hubris  
that presumes to know the unrevealed  
deep below the apathy  
that steals our hearts from love*

*deep within  
a voice beckons  
to another way of being*

#### \*HYMN 43

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

tune: Beecher

words: adapted, [www.hos3.com](http://www.hos3.com)



Love Di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven to  
Breathe, O breathe a lov - ing spir - it, in - to ev - 'ry  
Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us all your



earth come down; Fix in us a hum - ble dwel - ling;  
trou - bled breast! Let us all in you in - her - it:  
life re - ceive; Gra - cious - ly re - turn and nev - er,



All your faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, life of all com - pas - sion,  
Let us find a pro - mised rest. Give to us your love of lov - ing,  
nev - er more your tem - ples leave. He - rald - ing a new cre - a - tion;

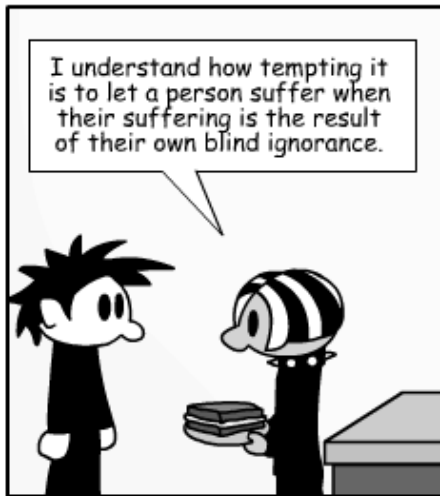


Pure un - bound - ed love all taught; Let that love be  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as  
heaven and earth take now their place; Let us see that

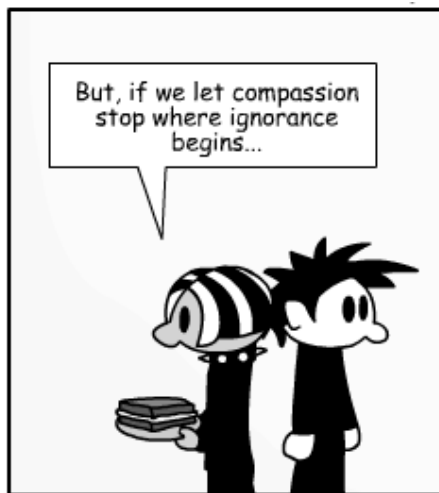


our sal - va - tion, En - ter - ing each trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning; Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
great sal - va - tion; Lost in won - der, love, and praise.

# DISASSEMBLANCE



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## \*GATHERING WORDS

One: Because temptation is woven into the fabric of our lives, and we know the weariness of forty days in the desert, and the beckoning power of sweet fruit, and the vain promises of the world, we need you, God.

Many: **We need you, God.**

One: Because we see the broken before the whole, and the half empty cup, and the unfinished task, and the thirst in freedom's quest, we need you, God.

Many: **We need you, God.**

One: Because we trust in what we can see, and we are blinded by our prejudices, and we do not know what we do not know, we need you, God.

Many: **We need you, God.**

One: Because our need for correctness exceeds our need for truth, and our excuses preempt the cry of the wounded, and our celebration of blessing is mindless of those displaced, we need you, God.

Many: **We need you, God.**

One: Because you came among us, and breathed into our sinewy souls, and healed our pain and let us wound you, and loved us to the end, and triumphed over all our hatred, we need you, God.

Many: **We need you, God.**

## \*RESPONSE

"Be Still and Know"

source: Iona Community

*May be sung as a round*

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God.

*Last time.*

## READING FROM TRADITION

One: May we be struck by the wisdom of these words and marked by hearing them.

Many: **For within story lies meaning, and within meaning, the wisdom for which we seek.**

Gretta Vosper

One: The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." (Genesis 2:15-17)

One: With words that illumine

Many: **May we hear the Word.**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

"The Beatitudes"

Weatherford, Ladwig

*Children are invited to the Chancel Steps for a story.*

*Following the story, children may choose to return to their seats or go to play in the Nursery or with the Shepherds (11:00am).*

**ANTHEM** 8:30AM

"The Greatest Gift is Love"  
Chancel Choir

source: Mark Hayes

11:00AM

"See"  
Folk Ensemble

source: Jim Ford

**SERMON**

"We are not in Eden anymore, Toto"

Al Schon

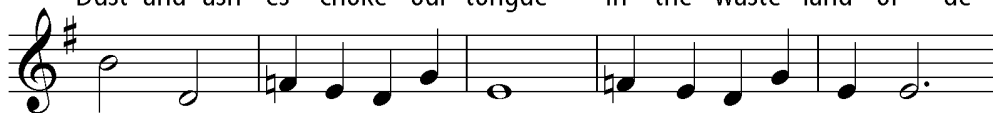
**\*HYMN 186**

"Dust and Ashes"

tune: Dust and Ashes  
words: Wren



Dust and ash - es touch our face, mark our fail - ure and our  
Dust and ash - es soil our hands greed of mar - ket, pride of  
Dust and ash - es choke our tongue in the waste - land of de -



fall - ing. Ho - ly Spir - it, come, walk with us to - mor - row,  
na - tion. Ho - ly Spir - it, come, walk with us to - mor - row  
pres - sion. Ho - ly Spir - it, come, walk with us to - mor - row



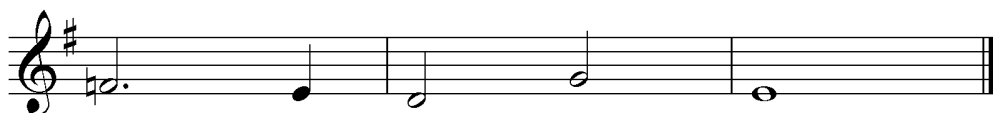
take us as dis - ci - ples, washed and wak - ened by your  
as we pray and strug - gle through the mesh - es of op -  
thru all gloom and griev - ing to the paths of res - ur -



call - ing. Take us by the hand and lead us, lead us thru the  
pres - sion.  
rec - tion.



des - ert sands, bring us liv - ing wa - ter,



Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

**MISSION MOMENT**

Laurel Hayes

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer,  
After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy.  
And the people may respond: **Hear our prayer.***



don't hit the fly —  
he prays with his hands  
and with his feet  
— Issa Kobayashi



http://pastorac.org/pics/audio%20icon%20blessed%20poor%20in%20spirit.jpg  
http://maxgrace.files.wordpress.com/2010/01/p-compassion.gif  
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**\*RESPONSE**

**"Lord's Prayer"**

source: David Haas

**REFRAIN**

Our\_ Fa-ther who art in heav-en, oh\_\_\_ hal-low-ed be thy  
 name. Our\_ Moth-er who art in heav-en, oh\_\_\_  
**Verse 1**  
 hal-low-ed be thy name. Thy\_ king-dom come, thy\_  
**To Refrain**  
 will be done on\_ earth as it is in heav - en.

**Verse 2**

Give\_ us this day\_ our\_ dai - ly bread, and for -  
 give us our tres- pass- es, as\_\_\_ we for - give, as\_\_\_  
**To Refrain**  
 we for - give, those who tres - pass a - gainst\_ us.

**Verse 3**

And\_ lead us not\_ in - to temp - ta - tion, but de -  
 liv - er us\_ from e - vil; for the king-dom, the pow'r and the  
**To Refrain**  
 glo - ry\_ are\_ yours for - ev - er.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

One: Let us pray:

Many: **Ever-welcoming God,  
 you invite us to bring all that we are,  
 our questions and our failures,  
 into your life-giving presence;  
 Give us courage to live before you without pretense,  
 that we may know the joy of forgiveness and renewal  
 without fear of expulsion.**

Out in Scripture, [www.hrc.org](http://www.hrc.org)

**SHARING OUR GIFTS**

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. Please contact the church office for more information.

**YELLOW BAGS**

The yellow bag ministry (shopping cart in Narthex) is always in need of donations. You may also check the menu, changed monthly, to see what food items are being requested for the month.

**MARCH MISSION FOCUS**

**Stillpoint Campus Ministry**  
 Stillpoint Campus Ministry is a ministry of EUCC at Webster University made possible by Laurel Hayes' generous gift of time and talent. Stillpoint hosts regular meditation sessions, book groups, and a "Listening Post."

**ORDER YOUR EASTER FLOWERS NOW...**

Continuing a long-standing tradition, Evangelical UCC members and friends are invited to provide potted flowers for the chancel area on Easter Sunday. As an alternative to ordering flowers, you may contribute to the One Great Hour of Sharing campaign or you may choose to do both. Orders for flowers must be received in the church office no later than MONDAY, April 11, 2011 to assure delivery by Easter (Availability determined when ordered from greenhouse). Order forms are available on the table in the Narthex as well as online on our website or in the News and Notes. Make checks payable to Evangelical UCC clearly marked "Easter Flowers".

COMPASSION COMES TO  
THE OTHER EVANGELICAL  
LENT—EASTER 2011



**ENCOUNTER:**

**Sundays, 8:30am and 11:00am**  
March 13: Restoring Compassion  
in Religion

March 20: Reading scripture with-  
out violence, hatred and disdain

March 27: Offering Tools for our  
Youth

April 3: A Positive Appreciation of  
Diversity

April 10: Cultivating Informed  
Empathy

April 17: The Cost of Compassion

**EXPLORE:**

**Sundays, 9:45am-10:45am**  
What's Compassion Got to Do  
with It? (March 13 – April 17)  
Join Bob Karr and others for a dis-  
cussion of the Charter for Com-  
passion and Karen Armstrong's  
book "12 Steps to a Compassion-  
ate Life". Participants are not ex-  
pected to read the book.

**EXPERIENCE:**

**Wednesdays, 6:30pm-7:30pm**  
Practicing Compassion - Beginning  
on March 16 and modeled upon  
the 12 Step programs, Katy  
Hawker will work with a small  
group as we use Armstrong's  
book. We will practice one step  
each week, reading together the  
step and then sharing how we ex-  
perience the step in our lives.

**ENGAGE:**

**Sign the Charter at**  
[www.charterforcompassion.org](http://www.charterforcompassion.org)

**\*HYMN**

"Progressive Ponderings"

words: Andrew Pratt  
tune: Katherine

When life jug-gles with our learn-ing, with the things we  
But when life has torn the can-vas, when the num-bers  
thought se - cure, then it seems the art - ist's pal - ette  
twist and slip; then we need to find an im - age  
spins and faith be - comes ob - scure. In the wash of  
that will help our hope to grip: hold - ing us, when  
dif-ferent col - ours, as we seek for shape and form,  
we're past hold - ing, ground - ing when we're in - se - cure,  
oth - ers paint their faith by num - bers  
till we find a faith, not drift - ing,  
for - cing God to fit some norm.  
still dy - nam - ic, free, yet sure.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Bulletin recycling: Though we invite you to take your bulletin home to review the prayers and opportunities throughout the week, if you choose to leave your bulletin after the 8:30am service place it in the blue box and we will use it again!*

## FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY GROUPS

### PARENT GROUP

**Sundays, 9:45am- March 13 and 20**

Consuming Kids – The Commercialization of Childhood

The film focuses on the explosive growth of child marketing, showing how youth marketers have transformed American children into one of the most powerful and profitable consumer demographics in the world. Consuming Kids pushes back against the wholesale commercialization of childhood, raising urgent questions about the ethics of children's marketing and its impact on the health and well-being of kids.

### SUPPER CLUBS NOW FORMING...

**Do you want an opportunity to get to know people better?**

The 2011 Supper Clubs will start in March!

Singles, parents with children, teens, couples - all family configurations are welcome. There will be eight adults (plus kids if you'd like) to a supper club. Each Supper Club will meet four times (March, April, May, June) and determine where, when and how. Please see the sign up on the clipboard. Contact Jean Karr

### YOUTH CIRCLES

**\*TODAY—LASER TAG\* Youth in Action, Sunday, March 13, Meet at the church at 3:00pm**

### EUCC MOM'S GROUP

The Moms' Group will meet Friday April 8 from 9:30-11 at the church. Bring any unfinished projects you have to work on ( such as knitting or catching up your photo albums) while we brain storm new topics. Just plain sitting is welcome, too. If you need child care please call Dee Ban ahead of time

### QUILTERS AND ARTISTS

**Wednesday, April 6, 7-9pm**

Our main project will be making some fabric flowers. No sewing required! Bring a glue gun if you happen to have one. Our flowers will be sold by the Servant Team on Mothers' Day to benefit the special May outreach, which is the World Wide Fistula Fund. This medical organization, headed by EUCC's own Dr. Lewis Wall, works toward maternal health in Africa. Of course there will be prayer quilts to work on too, for those who prefer needle and thread. The Quilters' and Artists' meetings are a time of most enjoyable fellowship, so we warmly welcome anyone who likes crafts to come join us.

### WOMEN'S RETREAT

**Saturday, April 9, 8:30am-2:30pm**

Gather to enjoy a day long retreat at Gya Art Gallery, 2700 Locust, St. Louis MO. Cost is \$15. Sign up on the clipboard or for further information contact Brenda Murray

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION WOMEN UCC SPRING FLING

**Monday, March 21. 9:00am**

Come hear the story of Parkway UCC, 2841 N. Ballas Rd, St. Louis, MO 63131, it's rich history and view their beautiful stained glass windows in the new sanctuary. Meet new friends, and renew old friendships. Registration deadline is March 8th, \$10 per person, include lunch. See the flyer on the Narthex bulletin board for more information or contact

## THIS WEEK AT EUCC

### Sunday, March 13

**8:30am** Worship Service (Sanctuary)

**9:45am** Adult Ed: Parent Group (Classroom 23)

**9:45am** What's Compassion Got to do With It? (Library)

**9:45am** Children's Church School (Lower Level Classrooms)

**9:45am** Jr/Sr High Classes (Still Speaking Center)

**11:00am** Worship Service (Sanctuary)

**12:00pm** Youth Band (Choir Room)

**3:00pm** Korean Drumming Group, "Doorei" (Fellowship Hall)

**3:00pm** Youth in Action ((Laser Force, Caseyville IL)

### Monday, March 14

**3:00pm** YMCA CPR/First Aid Class (Orange Room)

**6:30pm** Nancy Reiter Meeting (Fireside Room)

### Tuesday, March 15

**9:30am** Amy's Yoga (Still Speaking Center)

**10:00am** Orchard House Bible Study

**7:00pm** LaLeche Meeting (Fireside Room)

### Wednesday, March 16

**9:30am** Equinox Chamber Players Rehearsal (Fireside Room)

**6:30pm** Adult Ed: 12 Steps to a Compassionate Life (Classroom 23)

**6:30pm** Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

### Thursday, March 17

**9:00am** AARP Tax Prep (Fireside Room)

**9:30am** UCC Ministers' Spouses Book Group (Library)

**12:30pm** Staff Meeting (Pastor's Office)

**7:00pm** Amy Soell Meeting (Still Speaking Center)

**7:00pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Saturday, March 19

**9:00am** Huppert Violin Lessons (Adult Lounge)

**5:00pm** Sts C&F Worship (Fireside Room, Sanctuary, Narthex)

MINISTRY		TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LITURGISTS	Read the Morning Scripture and Prayers	Laurel Hayes (8:30am) Christine Rohloff (11:00am)	Nancy Reiter (8:30am) Wynn Miller (11:00am)
SHEPHERDS	Playtime with our preschoolers	Brad Schnell Kristen and Raegan Wamsley	Toby and Tara Mechem
CRIB ROOM ASSISTANTS	Help Carole play with our babies	Amy Soell	Peggy Thater
USHERS	Greet worshipers and (at 11:00am) collect offering	Teri Hillen Bob Risk and Ray Mulligan Gigi and Bob Hill	Paul Kachulis Jan Ittner Colleen Gilmore Susan Morgan
COFFEE HOUR	Provide finger foods and greet community between services	Jean Karr Amy Sanchez	Gigi Hill Teri Hillen
MONEY COUNTERS	Count the weekly offerings and enter into database	Bob Risk and Ray Mulligan	Bob and Gigi Hill

#### EUCC STAFF

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Worship, Roni Branding  
Youth Representative, Erin Schroeder

#### WELCOME!

##### A WORD ABOUT DIVERSITY:

We strive to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, political perspective, sexual orientation or gender identity.

##### A WORD ABOUT CHILDREN:

We love children, babies, and teens and we welcome all ages to share worship with us. Professional child-care is available throughout the morning for those who prefer. Activity folders (available in the Narthex) allow children of all ages to respond creatively to worship. A playtime for preschool age children is offered after the Chancel Steps at the 11:00 a.m. service.



##### A WORD ABOUT SPECIAL NEEDS:

We are committed to making our worship service as accessible as possible. We offer special hearing devices, accessible seating, and other services as requested. Please let us know how we can help make this worship experience more accessible.

#### Contact us:

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