



## ***The Quest of Truth: Lent at St. Mark***

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 1st, St. Mark will observe the Season of Lent, a time for prayer, reflection, study, repentance, and action. Beginning with a time of fellowship and supper at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Then at 7 p.m. join us for Worship in the Sanctuary.

Saturday and Sunday worship services and Sacred Space will be centered on the 2017 theme ***The Quest of Truth*** following the lectionary texts and Jesus' encounters with Satan, Nicodemus, the Samaritan Woman, the Blind Man, Lazarus and Pilate. The Wednesday evening study, ***Lord, Teach Us to Pray*** will focus on spirituality and the Lord's Prayer.

On Sat., Mar. 11, join us for a very special musical presentation during our "Saturdays @ 5" worship, entitled "Purim, Esther, and All That Jazz." The celebration of Purim is instituted in the book of Esther, which has often been read as a comedy in the Jewish tradition. We will have readers who tell the story, jazz to capture the mood of the story, and audience participation to bring the story to life. Rabbi Marcia Tilchin will speak of how the Jewish community has read the story over the ages and Pastor Davis will speak to how the Christian church might read the story. The Jewish Collaborative of Orange County (JCoOC) will provide a reception following the presentation.

**Sacred Space\***: Monday, Tuesday & Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Saturday, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 10:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Lord, Teach Us to Pray**: Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
Study books will be on sale for \$14.00 in the Bonhoeffer Book Store soon.

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\* **Sacred Space** is St. Mark's Lenten spirituality center. When you step inside you will be walking on holy ground, entering a space where you have all the time you need to pray, reflect on the week's scripture, create something beautiful, ask questions, seek answers, wrestle with hard questions, find reassurance, contribute to an ongoing community project, and be preparing yourself to reenter the world energized and emboldened to do God's work of mercy, justice and love.

**Come. Be. with God.**

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