

MARCH

St. Andrew's Signpost

2026

WITH GOD'S HELP, WE AT ST. ANDREW'S SHARE GOD'S WORD AND LOVE BY MINISTERING TO OUR LOCAL AND GLOBAL COMMUNITY AND EACH OTHER THROUGH PRAYER, LEARNING, WORSHIP, AND ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 10:00 am Holy Eucharist	2 6:30am Morning AA 5:00pm District #23 Leadership Meeting 7:00pm Spanish AA	3 6:30am Morning AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	4 6:30am Morning AA 9:00am HDCA 7:00pm Spanish AA	5 6:30am Morning AA Noon Ladies AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	6 6:30am Morning AA	7 7:00am Morning AA 7:00pm Spanish AA
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"Even now," declares the Lord,
"return to me with all your heart,
with fasting and weeping and
mourning." Joel 2:12

Vicar's Vagaries

MARKS OF A HEALTHY CONGREGATION (2007)



Is Our Church Healthy? Two Questions for Lent

Based on the work of Terry Foland (Alban Institute)

What makes a church “healthy”? Terry Foland of Duke Divinity School suggests that congregational health isn’t about numbers—it’s about how we answer some very tough questions. This Lent, please meditate, pray, and discuss with one another, as you are able, two specific areas of our life together: Discernment and Vision.

Mark 3: Discernment (Listening to God)

- How may we be better open to where God is leading us? If we weren’t listening, would we even know?
- What makes us different from a social club or a non-profit?
- How may our Sunday morning worship better help us hear God’s voice throughout the week?

Mark 4: Shared Vision (Moving Together)

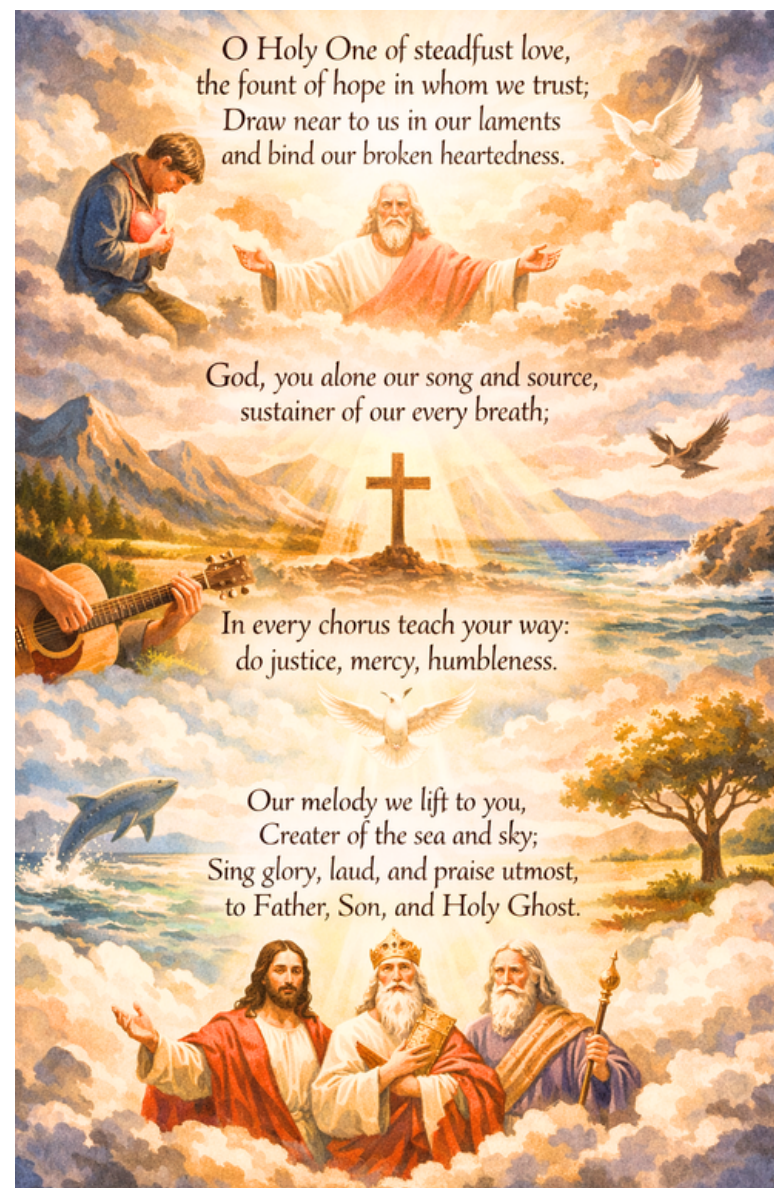
- What does it look like for us to “be the gospel” to our neighbors?
- How can we make time to rethink how we are doing ministry?
- How do we decide where our time and money go? How may prayer help to clarify those priorities in our own minds?

(Later, I hope to present a “Covenant of Common Life and Witness,” a template that a congregation in a Search Process was able to put together, considering these and other reflections.)



2026 Prayer for the Episcopal Diocese of Spokane

(This prayer can be said or sung. It is designed to be sung to Hymn 25 as desired.)



OUR PARISH Directory

**WE HAVE BEGUN WORK ON OUR
2026 PARISH DIRECTORY
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**



We promise not to put your picture on a giant billboard, but we would love a current photo to put in our Parish Directory.

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO:

1. Check all of your contact information.
2. Email the office with any changes in your contact information.
3. Email the church office with an updated photo of yourself and/or family. If you would like a new photo, but don't have one you can email, we would be happy to take one for you. Just let the office know, and we will make arrangements.

Spring Gathering Day - March 21st



**Where: St. Martin's Episcopal Church
(416 E Nelson Rd., Moses Lake, WA 98837)**

Time: 9:30 am - 3:30 pm



All are invited to the Spring Gathering Day, where we'll take a deep dive into our corporate and personal prayer life through the Daily Office. Lunch will be provided.

Contact Tony if you would like to attend.

Please bring: BCP, notebook, and a personal devotional item: prayer beads, an icon, a cross, etc.

NEW GIVING OPTION

We're excited to share a new way to support the ministries of our church! In addition to giving during the offering, you can now make pledges, offerings, and gifts toward special and outreach projects online through our website or by using the Tithely app. It's a simple and secure way to give anytime.

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From Wilderness to New Life

In Year A of the lectionary in the “Book of Common Prayer”, the Sundays of March guide us through some of the most powerful Lenten readings in Scripture. These texts form a clear spiritual journey — from temptation and thirst to healing and resurrection — preparing us for Easter.

Temptation and Promise

Lent begins with Jesus in the wilderness (Matthew 4), where he resists temptation and remains faithful where humanity has failed (Genesis 2–3).

Soon after, we hear of God’s promise to Abraham (Genesis 12) and Jesus’ nighttime conversation with Nicodemus (John 3).

“For God so loved the world” becomes the heartbeat of the season. Lent calls us to trust God’s promises, even when we cannot yet see the way forward.

Living Water and Opened Eyes

In John 4, Jesus offers the Samaritan woman “living water,” echoing Israel’s thirst in the wilderness (Exodus 17).

In John 9, a man born blind receives sight, reminding us that true vision comes from Christ. These Sundays ask: Where are we spiritually thirsty? What prevents us from seeing clearly?

From Dry Bones to Resurrection

Ezekiel’s valley of dry bones (Ezekiel 37) and the raising of Lazarus (John 11) point unmistakably toward Easter: God brings life out of death.

If Palm Sunday falls in March, we also enter the Passion narrative from Matthew — moving from “Hosanna” to the cross, where love is made complete.

A Lenten Invitation



March traces a powerful arc:

- * From temptation to faithful arc:
- * From thirst to living water
- * From blindness to sight
- * From death to life



As we walk these weeks together, may we hear Christ calling us more deeply into trust, renewal, and the promise of resurrection.

Lent *Meditations & Reflections*

Day 19 ~ Third Sunday in Lent, March 8

Scripture: "Take these things out of here!"
(John 2:16)

Reflection: Jesus' zeal is not cruelty; it is love that refuses to let the holy be crowded out. Ask what needs clearing in you for prayer to breathe again.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, cleanse what is cluttered in my heart, and make room for God. Amen.

Day 20 ~ Monday, March 9

Scripture: "Daughter, your faith has made you well: go in peace." (Mark 5:34)

Reflection: Jesus honors the trembling reach of faith. If all you can do today is reach out quietly, that reach matters.

Prayer: Lord, receive my small faith, and let your peace settle in me. Amen.

Day 21 ~ Tuesday, March 10

Scripture: "He began to send them out two by two." (Mark 6:7)

Reflection: Even in Lent, disciples are sent—not to perform, but to witness. Let kindness and steadiness be your quiet testimony today.

Prayer: Lord, make me faithful in small things, and let my life point gently to you. Amen.

Day 22 ~ Wednesday, March 11

Scripture: "He began to teach them many things." (Mark 6:34)

Reflection: Jesus teaches from compassion. If you feel scattered, do not shame yourself—bring your scatteredness to the Teacher.

Prayer: Teacher and Shepherd, gather my mind and heart, and teach me your way. Amen.

Day 23 ~ Thursday, March 12

Scripture: "He had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd." (Mark 6:34)

Reflection: Jesus' compassion is not abstract; it is attentive and practical. Let him shepherd you today—especially where you feel unsure.

Prayer: Shepherd of my life, guide me when I don't know the way. Amen.

Day 24 ~ Friday, March 13

Scripture: "It is I; do not be afraid." (Mark 6:50)

Reflection: Fear narrows the soul. Jesus widens it again by his presence: "It is I." He is here—closer than the waves.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, meet me in my fear, and restore my trust. Amen.

Day 25 ~ Saturday, March 14

Scripture: "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." (Mark 7:28)

Reflection: Faith can begin as a whisper of hope. Bring that hope to Jesus; he never turns away the sincere heart.

Prayer: Merciful Christ, receive my hope and make me well in the way you know I need. Amen.

Day 26 ~ Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 15

Scripture: "So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." (John 3:8)

Reflection: God's Spirit is not controlled, but received. Lent is learning consent—letting God move where God wills in us.

Prayer: Holy Spirit, breathe in me again, and remake what has grown tired. Amen.

Day 27 ~ Monday, March 16

Scripture: "Gather up the fragments left over." (John 6:12)

Reflection: Jesus wastes nothing—not even leftovers, not even your small beginnings. Offer him what you have, and trust his care. **Prayer:** Lord, take what is small in me and use it with your blessing. Amen.

Day 28 ~ Tuesday, March 17

Scripture: "Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures..." (John 6:27)

Reflection: Much of our effort goes into what cannot last. Lent re-teaches us to invest in the imperishable: love of God, trust, prayer, and humility.

Prayer: Eternal God, turn my labor toward what endures in you. Amen.

Day 29 ~ Wednesday, March 18

Scripture: "Those who come to me I will never drive away." (John 6:37)

Reflection: You do not have to make yourself acceptable before approaching Christ. Coming is the beginning—he supplies the grace.

Prayer: Welcoming Savior, I come as I am; hold me fast. Amen.

Lent

Meditations & Reflections Continued

Day 30 ~ Thursday, March 19

Scripture: "Nothing... will be able to separate us from the love of God." (Romans 8:39)

Reflection: When you feel distant from God, cling to what is true: God is not distant from you. Let this be the ground under your feet today.

Prayer: Loving God, hold me when I feel far away, and keep me close in Christ. Amen.

Day 31 ~ Friday, March 20

Scripture: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven." (John 6:51)

Reflection: God is not a distant theory; God gives God's own self. Lent invites real communion: receiving, trusting, abiding.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, draw me into deeper communion with you. Amen.

Day 32 ~ Saturday, March 21

Scripture: "Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)

Reflection: Stillness is not emptiness; it is attention. Give God five minutes of quiet and let that be your offering.

Prayer: God, quiet my heart so I may know you more truly. Amen.

Day 33 ~ Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 22

Scripture: "I will put my law within them... and write it on their hearts." (Jeremiah 31:33)

Reflection: God's goal is not mere rule-keeping but transformed desire. Ask for a heart that wants what God wants.

Prayer: Holy God, write your ways within me, and make my love more faithful. Amen.

Day 34 ~ Monday, March 23

Scripture: "Before Abraham was, I AM." (John 8:58)

Reflection: Jesus speaks God's own name. Lent draws us toward reverence: the One who saves us is not merely inspiring—he is Lord.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, deepen my awe and strengthen my trust in who you are. Amen.

Day 35 ~ Tuesday, March 24

Scripture: "Let the little children come to me." (Mark 10:14)

Reflection: Christ receives what is small and vulnerable. Bring him the "childlike" parts of you—your need, your longing, your simplicity.

Prayer: Jesus, receive my weakness with tenderness, and teach me to come to you without fear. Amen.

Day 36 ~ Wednesday, March 25

Scripture: "Go, sell what you own... then come, follow me." (Mark 10:21)

Reflection: Jesus names the one thing that keeps the man from freedom. Ask: What do I cling to that I'm afraid to release?

Prayer: Lord, show me what I hold too tightly, and give me grace to follow you more freely. Amen.

Day 37 ~ Thursday, March 26

Scripture: "For God all things are possible." (Mark 10:27)

Reflection: This is not denial of difficulty; it's hope in the middle of it. Name what feels impossible, and place it—quietly—into God's hands.

Prayer: God of possibility, hold what I cannot fix, and lead me in hope. Amen.

Day 38 ~ Friday, March 27

Scripture: "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve." (Mark 10:45)

Reflection: Jesus' authority looks like self-giving love. Lent forms us in that same pattern—not flashy, but faithful.

Prayer: Servant Lord, shape my life after your love and humility. Amen.

Day 39 ~ Saturday, March 28

Scripture: "My house shall be called a house of prayer." (Mark 11:17)

Reflection: Jesus longs for a cleared space where God is honored. Ask: what needs clearing in me so prayer can become simple again?

Prayer: Lord, cleanse the cluttered places in my heart, and make me a house of prayer. Amen.

Day 40 ~ Palm Sunday, March 29

Scripture: "Hosanna!" (Mark 11:9)

Reflection: We want a victorious Messiah, but Jesus walks toward suffering love. Ask for the grace to praise him not only when it's triumphant, but when it's costly.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, keep my praise honest and my discipleship true, even at the cross. Amen.

Lent

Meditations & Reflections Continued

Day 41 ~ Monday, March 30 (Holy Week)

Scripture: "Mary took a pound of costly perfume... and anointed Jesus' feet."
(John 12:3)

Reflection: Love pours itself out without calculation. Consider one concrete way to offer Jesus your attention, time, or devotion today.

Prayer: Jesus, teach me love that is wholehearted and unafraid. Amen.

Day 42 ~ Tuesday, March 31 (Holy Week)

Scripture: "I will give you as a light to the nations." (Isaiah 49:6)

Reflection: God's servant does not burn with ego but shines with obedience. Pray for quiet faithfulness—light that doesn't need applause.

Prayer: God, make my life a small lamp of your presence. Amen.

Day 43 ~ Wednesday, April 1 (Holy Week)

Scripture: "The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced." (Isaiah 50:7)

Reflection: Jesus meets betrayal and suffering without losing himself. Ask for steadiness—so you can remain loving, even when life presses hard.

Prayer: God, my help, make me steady in trial and faithful in love. Amen.

Day 44 ~ Maundy Thursday, April 2 (Holy Week)

Scripture: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another." (John 13:34)

Reflection: Tonight, love takes flesh: basin and towel, bread and wine. Jesus doesn't just teach love—he gives himself as love.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, wash me, feed me, and teach me your commandment of love. Amen.

Day 45 ~ Good Friday, April 3 (Holy Week)

Scripture: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Psalm 22:1)

Reflection: The cross is where God meets human suffering from the inside. If you have words today, offer them; if not, let silence be your prayer.

Prayer: Crucified Lord, hold all my sorrow and all the world's pain within your redeeming love. Amen.

Day 46 ~ Holy Saturday, April 3 (Holy Week)

Scripture: "Remain here, and stay awake with me." (Matthew 26:38)

Reflection: Holy Saturday is the day of waiting—when nothing seems to happen, yet God is still at work. Faith sometimes looks like simply staying near.

Prayer: God of silence and hope, keep me faithful in the waiting, until new life dawns. Amen.

A LITTLE GUIDE TO THE HOLY WEEK



PALM SUNDAY

Jesus, amid the cheering crowd, rides on a donkey to Jerusalem



HOLY MONDAY

Jesus visits his friends in Bethany and Mary anoints the feet of Jesus.



HOLY TUESDAY

Jesus foretells the betrayal of Judas and the denial of Peter



HOLY WEDNESDAY

Judas makes a deal with the high priests; he turns Jesus over for 30 silver coins



HOLY THURSDAY

The Last Supper takes place. Jesus institutes the sacraments of the Eucharist and priesthood.



GOOD FRIDAY

Jesus is sentenced to death by crucifixion. He died on the cross, and was buried in a tomb.



HOLY SATURDAY

Jesus descends into the Abyss



EASTER SUNDAY

Jesus rises from the dead!



—Good Friday—

Good Friday
Community Service

6:30 pm

at

North Shore
Bible Church



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