

Dear Friends:

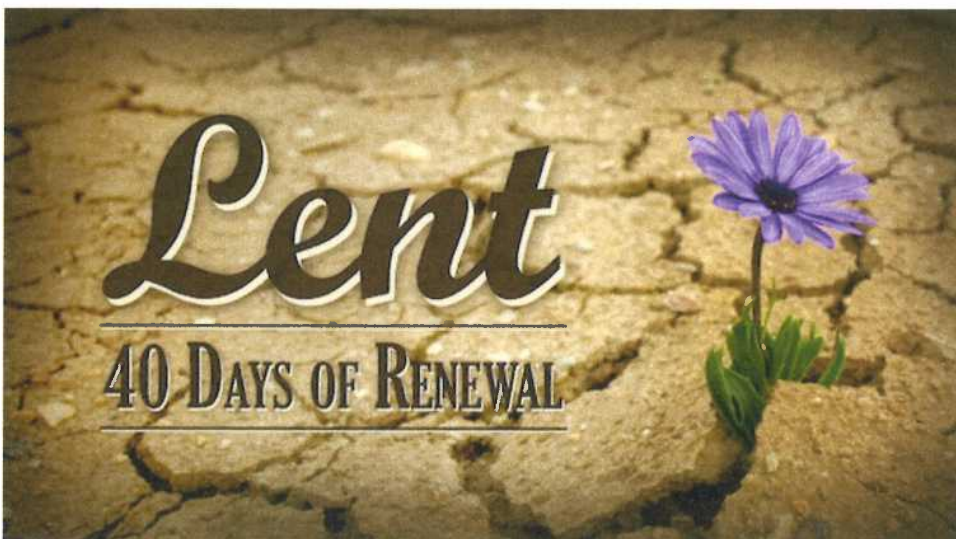
He is risen!

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church's Lent Devotional Guide for 2026.

Here at Covenant we have a long-standing tradition of preparing our members and friends for Easter with our Lenten Devotional Calendar—40 days of daily readings from the Bible with thoughts, suggested responses and prayers from our elders, staff and other teachers in our Covenant family. I am so glad you have decided to share this year's journey with us through the pages of the Bible.

Foretold in the account of creation, pointed toward by God's prophets in Israel, investigated and affirmed in the New Testament letters, and presented in the Gospels, the true story that we celebrate on Resurrection Sunday is the most important ever told. The creative and redemptive work of Jesus—His life, death and resurrection—is the story of God's eternal love overflowing for every one of His beloved people. Is that you? Put your trust in Jesus Christ, call Him "Lord and Savior" with the measure of faith God has given you, and it is!

From sometime before The Beginning, God planned for the redemption of His people through the coming of His Son. And this was accomplished when He—the Messiah, the Holy One of God, the Suffering Servant, the King of Kings—died one day by one of the cruelest state-sanctioned and deterrence-motivated means of execution ever invented. It was called crucifixion, and the instrument of torture was called a cross. And then this son of a Nazarene carpenter was revealed to be the one-and-only divine savior of the world when He was raised to life on the third day.



The 40 days of Lent consist of all the days from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday, excluding Sundays. We are offering a Bible reading, personal reflection, suggested response and prayer for each of these 40 days. This collection of devotions is divided into three parts: 1. Old Testament Prophecies Pointing to Jesus' Death and Resurrection, 2. New Testament Commentary on Jesus' Death and Resurrection, and 3. The New Testament Narrative of Jesus' Death and Resurrection.

I am grateful to those who have provided their Bible-based devotional thoughts for this year's guide. Each of day's devotion is an expression of personal faith and a testimony to our God's work both in human history and in His people's lives today.

The story of Jesus you will read is true. The faith of people like you evidenced in these pages is genuine. It is our prayer that this Guide will help you put your trust in Jesus and worship God well each day as He guides your steps. And it is our hope and expectation that our commitment to the discipline of daily reading and meditation will help us all come to Easter Sunday with a renewed sense of devotion and a heart full of joyful praise befitting the majesty of our gracious Heavenly Father, His Eternal Son and Their Holy Spirit.

May you be blessed, as we have been, by the retelling of the Easter Story offered here—the humbling truth of God's death for us and the astounding reality that He is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Pastor Jay Hull for the CPC Elders, Staff and Members
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