



E-Note for
February 17, 2026

*Join us Ash Wednesday, February 18
Worship at 12:00 pm & 6:30 pm
Lenten Supper served at 5:30 pm (Spaghetti)*

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lent Season. Get it? Marks... because we swipe dirt on your forehead and tell you to remember you are dust? Kind of morbid, huh? Well, yes, AND what a breath of fresh air. We are reminded on a day like Ash Wednesday that humanity is beautiful. We are connected to the earth and one another, and this wonderful, awesome, life-breathing God who breathed some Spirit-life into our nostrils, holds us close, and says YOU are worth all the love in the world. God becomes one of us fragile, humble humans and dies for us on a cross.

The dust is not the end of the story. You, in ashes, is not where God leaves you. Be reminded this Ash Wednesday of the ashes... but don't stay there. Wonder about the beauty and the poetry this Ash Wednesday... but know that you are so much more than dirt.

Welcome to another Lent Season. Maybe it feels like your millionth one. Where can you still find newness and life for your Spirit through these 40 days?

Maybe this Lent is the first one you've thought about. Sometimes people give up things to remind them of their humanity (or attempt a diet or something). And this fasting practice can be faithful and healthy, but it keeps our eyes on Jesus—the sustainer and perfecter of our faith. This Lent, how can you clear a way for a more authentic and faithful connection with the Messiah?

Lent Schedule

Wednesday, February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25

Lenten Suppers served at 5:30 pm

Worship at 6:30 pm

Lenten Suppers will be served by our youth. Free will donation.



Lent 2026 Unbound: Longing for Wholeness

What if the opposite of being bound is being whole? Our world is filled with things that hold us captive. These things that bind us prevent us from living the whole, abundant life that God has promised us. Through the stories of regular people encountering Jesus, and being drawn to the wholeness that Jesus provides, we can learn about our own longings and be drawn into wholeness. On Wednesdays and Sundays, we will dive into all the things we spend our life longing for and how this walk with Jesus frees us. Then on Wednesdays, we will be exploring the story of Joseph (from Genesis) and all the things that kept him bound. We hope you will join us on this Lenten journey to the cross and that, through this time together, you find abundant joy and wholeness on Easter Sunday.





Easter Flower order forms are available at the Welcome Center. Deadline to turn in your order is March 10. Thank you for helping us decorate the sanctuary on Easter. You will be able to take your flowers/plants home that day. Checks or cash at church or pay online through our website.

First Communion Instruction – March 15

There will be a First Communion Instruction class on Sunday, March 15 at 10:30 am led by Pastor Matt and Pastor Dana. Invitations have been sent via email to all 3rd, 4th & 5th Graders and 6th, 7th & 8th graders who have not taken their First Communion. The child and at least one parent are asked to attend. Those who take the class will receive their First Communion on Sunday, March 29 (Palm Sunday) at 9:30 am. If you did not receive an email and you have a child who is ready to receive First Communion and would like to attend please let Darcy know.



Food Shelf Focus for March – Meal in a Bag

Grab a Ziploc bag from the Welcome Center and purchase the ingredients listed on the bag to make your choice of two different meals: Chili or turkey/chicken. Return your completed meal in a bag by March 29.

Save the Date!
Vacation Bible School
June 15 - 18, 2026
9:00-11:30 a.m.

For youth Age 4 (as of time of registration)
and Kindergarten to Grade 6 (entering fall of 2026).
Registration begins March 8, 2026



VBS Staff Volunteers Needed – sign up at the Welcome Center

We are looking for fun, energetic volunteers for VBS for the following areas:

- ~ Classroom teachers: Age 4/Kindergarten, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, 4th Grade, 5th/6th Grade
- ~ Classroom helpers: Age 4/Kindergarten, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, 4th Grade, 5th/6th Grade
- ~ Craft helpers
- ~ Game helpers
- ~ Transportation drivers or adults to walk kids to and from Kid's Company
- ~ Tech helper: run slides during opening and closing time each day
- ~ Photographer: take pictures and videos throughout the week



Recorded worship services can be found on our new YouTube page and are typically posted by noon on Sundays. Search @AllSaintsNYA in YouTube or click here <https://www.youtube.com/@AllSaintsNYA>

Online Giving at All Saints:
 Visit www.allsaintsnya.org or scan the QR code to set up a one time or recurring donation using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.



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