



### LENT SERIES: Are We There Yet?

Do you ever feel like if you just make it over the next hurdle or reach your next goal that you will have finally arrived in life? Many people do, including our Biblical friends, but guess what? That's called the arrival fallacy, and it can keep us feeling disappointed and unhappy when we get to the "next thing" and find we still haven't arrived at our hoped-for destination.

We are still unfailingly human, flawed, broken.

This Lent, let us learn to savor our uniquely human journey without the pressure of arrival, as we reconnect with the God of Jesus Christ who leads us in the way, providing sustenance, meaning, and hope through all our ups and downs.

#### March 9: Getting Free and Staying Free | Exodus 15:22-27

Like the Israelites who were freed from Egypt only to find themselves without drinkable water, we too can find ourselves freed from one trouble only to be met with another. God invites us to shift perspective and find our freedom in relationship with God.

#### March 16: It's Not the Destination, It's the Journey | Deuteronomy 32:1-10, 44-52

We can work for weeks, months, even years to arrive at a certain point in life, our own "Promised Land." But sometimes that Promised Land is not what we envisioned. Sometimes we don't even make it there. And even when we do, the Promised Land is not the end of the journey. How can we let God reshape our vision of both the destination and the journey so that we can find beauty and meaning in all of it?

#### Wednesdays in Lent

##### "Come and See: *The Chosen*"

Join us Wednesdays in Lent at 6:40 PM for a time of Worship and reflection using the video series *The Chosen*. Come and see some of the most well-known stories of Jesus come alive and understand how they are still relevant today.

Appropriate for the whole family come and bring a friend.



#### Wednesday Evening Lent Service:

Our Wednesday Night Lenten Services AND Soup Suppers will begin on March 12th.

6:00pm Soup Supper

6:40pm Worship, Confirm/Youth Group

Sign-up on the clipboards or Sign-up Genius

#### Sunday School Calendar

Mar 9: Sunday School—Tempted

Mar 16: Sunday School—God's Promise to Abram

Mar 23: Sunday School—Parable of the Fig Tree



#### Wednesday Night Schedule

6:00pm: Soup Supper (beginning 3/12)

6:40pm: Worship, Confirmation and Youth Group



#### Confirmation and Youth Group

Mar 12: Lent Service, Conf/Youth Group

Mar 19: Lent Service, Conf/Youth Group

Mar 26: Lent Service, Conf/Youth Group

# Mar 9, 2025



## March Mission of the Month Lutheran Park Camp

This month our noisy offering will go to support our bible camp Luther Park in Danbury, WI. We know what an impact this camp has made on our community and as they seek to continue to do ministry this summer in new and unique ways we can support them.

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### Luther Park Opportunities 2025

TODAY, Leah Pletscher, the Executive Director of Luther Park, will be visiting our church and speaking to us during worship. She will share all that Luther Park Camping & Retreat Center has to offer. Come to worship on March 9th to find out more.

We have a designated week at Luther Park for FOC youth to sign up and attend camp with church friends. But know that you can sign up for any week that works for you. FOC youth members attending for a week receive a \$150 scholarship thanks to a memorial fund. They also offer family weekend getaways. See the website for details.

July 20-23 Grades 1-4 Half Week Cabin Camp

July 20-25 Grades 3-6 Full Week Cabin Camp

July 20-25 Grades 7-12 Full Week Treehouse Camp

Go to [www.lutherpark.com](http://www.lutherpark.com) to register

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### Faith Forum (Formerly Adult Ed)

Join us as we continue to look at foundational faith beliefs and practices and how they have and continue to shape our Christian journey today. Faith Forum meets at 10:45 AM after worship in the conference room.

#### Mar 9: Salvation | Abundant Life Now

The cross of Christ stands as a symbol of God's saving work. But what, exactly, does it mean to be saved? From what? For what? Is salvation a reward we claim at death or something meant to change our lives right now? These are the questions we need to answer if we are to truly receive the release that comes with salvation in the here and now.



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Wednesday, March 12: Lenten Wednesday Services & Soup Suppers begin  
Wednesday, March 19: Lenten Wednesday Services & Soup Supper  
Friday, March 21: Youth Game Night