

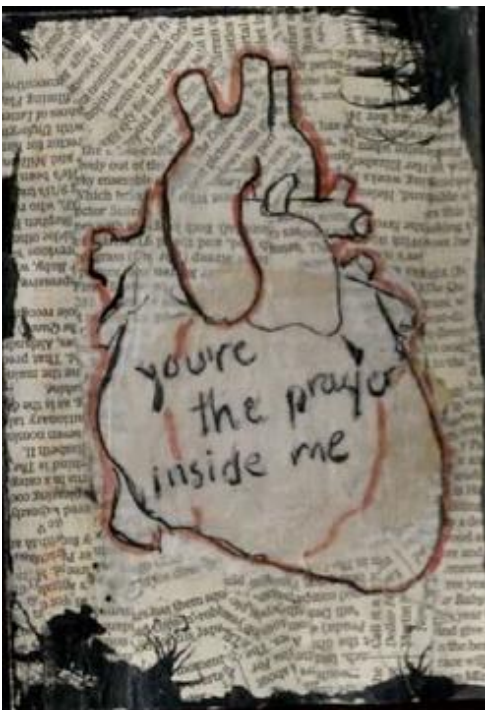
# Fourth Sunday of Lent

## 29 March 2009

Following the God  
made known in the  
life and teachings of Jesus...

"I am here again, in a familiar place feeling something I've felt before, wondering why it's still here, why I didn't deal with it more fully before. But I'm glad I have a second chance at it ... and I know that if I need a third chance, I'll get it. I also know that if it comes up again, I'll recognize it sooner and deal with it more readily. This is growth. And, I am happy to be alive."

by Jan Denise



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### Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

### Call to Worship

One: Morning has broken.

Many: We come from the east and west, the north and south.

One: The Holy One gathers us from wherever we may be.

Many: In unity, we may create a new home

within and among us.

One: Let us give thanks for the gift of community.

Many: Let us rejoice for the grace and presence  
of the Holy One among us.

ALL: Come...

### \*Hymn 548/547

"Amazing Grace"

v 3,4 John Newton  
v1 (Lakota)

O-nu-ni-yan te-hanl wa-un,  
Ma-shi-cha tke wa-ni,  
Wo-wash-te kin i-ye-wa-ye,  
wi-cho-ni wan-bla-ke.

Through man-y dan-gers, toils, and snares,  
I have al-read-y come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

My God has prom-ised good to me,  
whose word my hope se-cures;  
God will my shield and por-tion be  
as long as life en-dures.

### \*Litany

One: In the midst of financial turmoil,

Many: Let us find peace within the warmth of your promise.

One: As we struggle to redefine the meaning of home,

Many: Let us embrace each other  
in the warmth of your promise.

One: At a time when regret keeps us trapped in the past,

Many: Let us start anew in the warmth of your promise.

## Welcome!

### A word about diversity:

We strive to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, sexual orientation or gender identity.

### A word about children:

We love children, babies, and teens and we welcome all ages to share worship with us. Professional childcare is available throughout the morning for those who prefer. Activity folders (available in the Narthex) allow children of all ages to respond creatively to worship. A playtime for preschool age children is offered after the Chancel Steps at the 11:00 a.m. service.

### A word about special needs:

Signing our 11:00am service this morning is Kristine Pudlowski. Special seating is available as needed. We are happy to provide transportation to worship and special activities. Please let us know how we can help make this worship experience more accessible.



## Welcome Center

New to our community? Please stop by the Welcome Center in center of the Narthex (outside the sanctuary) to learn more about our community, our facility, and our programs.

\*An asterisk next to a section means that we stand for this part of the service as we are able.

## \*Response

"By The Rivers of Babylon"

McNaughton/Dowe

By the riv- ers of Ba- by- lon, there we sat down  
— and there we wept when we re-mem-bered Zi- on.  
Where the wick- ed car-ried us a-way, cap- ti- vi- ty  
re- quired of us a song. How can we sing a  
ho- ly song in a strange land. So let the  
words of our mouths and the med- i- ta- tions of our hearts, be ac-  
cept- a ble in thy sight, oh All. So let the All.

## Scripture

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

## Youth Band Anthem "Details in the Fabric"

Jason Mraz

Calm down deep breaths  
And get yourself dressed instead of running around  
And pulling all your threads and breaking yourself up

If it's a broken part, replace it  
If it's a broken arm then brace it  
If it's a broken heart then face it

(Refrain)  
And hold your own  
Know your name  
And go your own way (2X)  
And everything will be fine

Hang on  
Help is on the way  
Stay strong  
I'm doing everything

*Refrain x 2*  
And everything  
Everything will be fine  
Everything

Are the details in the fabric  
Are the things that make you panic  
Are your thoughts results of static cling?

Are the things that make you blow  
Hell, no reason, go on and scream  
If you're shocked it's just the fault  
Of faulty manufacturing.

Everything will be fine  
Everything in no time at all  
Everything

*Refrain*

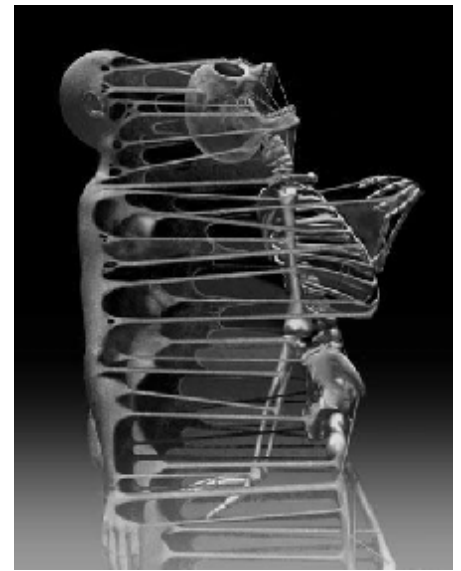
Everything will be fine  
Everything in no time at all  
Hearts will hold

## Chancel Steps

*Children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps to share a story.  
Following the story, young children may choose  
to go to the nursery (both services)  
or to Shepherds (11:00am—a play time in the Red Room downstairs).*

<b>Anthem</b>	8:30am	"Create in Me" Chancel Choir	Pote
	11:00am	"Shaker Songs" Lisa Smith, flute solo	arr. Lisa Smith

**Sermon** Phiwa Langeni



Now at last you can set down  
the luggage of the heart.

Its place is here, after all, here  
where years ago you wrote:

Bus pulls into station, my suitcase  
entering first your nation,  
this new content and continent.

Now at last you can unpack  
the luggage of the heart,  
roll up and put away  
these ill-fitting clothes,

this loose second skin  
too long lived in.

by James Sallis



## Sharing our Gifts

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. See Leslie in the office for details.

## Offerings in Brief

Gifts 3/1 to 3/26*	\$31,171
Amount needed for the period	\$27,400

Amount needed each week to achieve the Basic Budget is \$6,850.

\*Figure includes envelope giving and loose offerings.



## Hymn 286

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

James K. Manley

D G A Dsus<sup>4</sup> D

Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the

Bm E<sup>7</sup> Asus<sup>7</sup> A<sup>7</sup> D G A

wil - der-ness call-ing and free, Spir - it, spir-it of

Dsus<sup>4</sup> D Bm G A<sup>7</sup> D

rest - less - ness, stir me from plac - id-ness, wind, wind on the sea.

G D D G A

You moved on the wa - ters, you  
You swept through the des - ert, you

G D A<sup>7</sup> D Bm

called to the deep, then you coaxed up the moun - tains  
stung with the sand, and you goad - ed your peo - ple

E<sup>7</sup> Asus<sup>7</sup> A<sup>7</sup> D G

from the val - leys of sleep; And o - ver the e -  
with a law and a land; When they were con - found -

A G D A<sup>7</sup>

ons you called to each thing,  
ed by their i - dols and lies,

D Bm

"A - wake from your slum -  
then you spoke through your proph -

G A<sup>7</sup> D G D A<sup>7</sup>

bers and rise on your wings."  
ets to o - pen their eyes.

## Joys and Concerns

*Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer, After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy. And the people may respond: Hear our prayer.*

Table Fellowship 8:30am

Invitation

Remembrance and Blessing

Come, Holy Spirit, come.  
Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.  
Bless all of us in our eating and drinking  
that our eyes might be opened,  
that we might recognize the risen Christ in our midst  
indeed, in one another. Come, Holy Spirit, come.

*The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle...  
partaking of the bread and cup,  
placing an offering in the plates beside the table,  
lighting a prayer candle on the altar...  
We sing together our Lord's Prayer as we process.*

Celebration of Giving 11:00am

*We sing together our Lord's Prayer as we offer our tithes and gifts  
to support the work of this community in service to God.*

Our Lord's Prayer

setting: David Haas

REFRAIN

Our Fa-ther who art in heav-en, oh hal-low-ed be thy

name. Our Moth-er who art in heav-en, oh

hal-low-ed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven. (refrain)

Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive, as we forgive  
those who trespass against us. (refrain)

And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
are yours forever. (refrain)

Sharing our Prayers

We pray for...

Peter and Ruthild Kronberg  
608 Bacon Ave 63119

Ann Spiering  
31 North Old Orchard B2  
St. Louis MO 63119

Barry and Pat Kurre  
1014 Curran 63122

Lorene Jost  
1200 Selma 63119

Lucy Ann Mehl  
3377 Lake Bend Dr. 63088

Sue Stephens  
2032 Bland Place 63143

Students at Webster Groves  
High School

\*\*\*To add (or remove) a name  
from our prayer concerns list,  
please contact Leslie in the  
church office.\*\*\*

Service Participants

Isaac Dodson  
Micah Hawker-Boehnke  
Winnie Hawker-Boehnke  
John Patterson  
Bobby Schindel  
Jonah Schnell  
Lydia Smith

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## Returning from Exile Holy Week Worship Experiences

This invitation to return from exile is the spiritual movement of Holy Week. It is threefold movement, beginning with the triumphal proclamation of homecoming on Palm Sunday, moving to the fiery kiln of reality in midweek remembrances, finally emerging on Easter morning as a phoenix from the ashes.

**Palm Sunday (4/5)**—A day of celebration when our Hosannas also signal the inevitable cost. Capital Campaign Consultant Bea Stoner will present information during the education hour in the Adult Ed room.

**Passover Family Seder (4/9)**—A potluck meal at 6pm to remember the ancient quest for freedom. Please sign up in the Narthex

**Sts. Clare & Francis' Maundy Thursday Worship (4/9)**—We are invited to join in this remembrance of the Last Supper and the service of foot-washing at 6:30pm.

**Holy Friday (4/10)**—Two congregations gather around the table for a candlelight service of remembrance for all victims of senseless violence at 7pm.

**Sts. Clare & Francis Easter Vigil (4/11)**—We are invited to join a traditional vigil beginning around the fire at 7:30pm and bearing witness to the light.

**Easter Sunday (4/12)**—We gather in worship at 8:30am and 11am to celebrate the splendor of resurrection and return. A Pancake Breakfast, an Easter Party for the children, and an Address by Dr. Steve Patterson will all be offered between the services.

### \*Prayer of Dedication

One: We seek salvation through our heritage  
Many: Yet you invite us to make a journey of faith.

One: May your invitation to journey  
overcome our comfort with the familiar.  
Many: Amen.

### Music

"You Found Me"

The Fray

I found god  
On the corner of first and Amistad  
Where the west was all but won  
All alone, smoking his last cigarette  
I said where you been, he said ask anything  
Where were you?  
When everything was falling apart  
All my days were spent by the telephone  
It never rang  
And all I needed was a call  
That never came  
To the corner of first and Amistad

Chorus:

Lost and insecure  
You found me, you found me  
Lying on the floor  
Surrounded, surrounded  
Why'd you have to wait?  
Where were you? Where were you?  
Just a little late  
You found me, you found me

In the end everyone ends up alone  
Losing her, the only one who's ever known  
Who I am, who I'm not, who I want to be  
No way to know how long she will be next to me

CHORUS

Early morning, City breaks  
I've been calling for years and years and years and years  
And you never left me no messages  
You never send me no letters  
You got some kind of nerve, taking all I want  
Lost and insecure  
You found me, you found me  
Lying on the floor  
Where were you where were you

CHORUS

Why'd you have to wait?  
To find me, to find me

### \*Blessing

### \*Postlude

## Camp MoVal

Camp Mo-Val registration forms are HERE! Forms are located on the information table in the Narthex. For additional information, contact Sue Schindel.

## Ending Hunger: A Call for Action

Bread for the World, a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad, will be offering a workshop for sending letters to Congress. The workshop is Saturday, April 4, 2009, 9 a.m. to noon, at Parkway UCC. The Servant Team will be working with Saints Clare and Francis in this letter-writing campaign, to take place at church on May 2 and May 3. If you would like to attend the workshop, contact Leslie in the office and she'll put you in touch with the Servant Team. See more about Bread for the World at [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org).

## Yoga Class

Next Saturday, April 4, we will hold our yoga class in the Fellowship Hall at 9am.

## LIFE at Eden

The Life program is a joint effort of Eden Seminary, the Missouri Mid-South Conference, and the Illinois South Conference. It is holding several programs in the next few weeks; check the church bulletin boards and EUCC News & Notes for more information.

## Spring Work Day

Due to unpleasant weather forecasting, we have chosen to postpone the Spring Work Day scheduled for yesterday, Saturday the 27th, and we will reschedule. We are considering next weekend. Please listen during worship for announcements or ask Paul Vasterling or Wynn Miller.

## Celebrate Our Goals to be a Healthy Church

The Get My People Going program from January 11- March 15 has led many in our church community to develop and achieve goals for a healthier lifestyle. People of all ages participated in the program ranging from 20 something to 70 something years of age. Those in the program set a variety of personal goals such as to exercise more, drink more water, eat more fruits and vegetables, lose weight, get more sleep, spend time with friends, deepen their spirituality and add more purpose to their life. Along with the support of a companion many participants achieved some, if not all, of their goals. Our hope is that these efforts will continue to grow as we support one another's well-being in body, mind and spirit.

## Sandwich Sunday

Mark your calendars! Sandwich Sunday is the fourth Sunday of each month. Do you like to make sandwiches? Shop for ingredients? Drive large boxes of sandwiches downtown? If you like to make sandwiches, wash your hands and dig in, at Fellowship Hall at 9:45 on the fourth Sunday. If you like to shop or drive, contact Dee Ban at 965-1191. Thanks!

## Directory Photos

One April 5 and 26, we will have a camera and photographer on hand to take updated pictures for our church directory. You may say "cheese" between services on either day, or you can send an electronic photo to Leslie in the church office for inclusion in the new directory. Please submit by April 27.

## TODAY at EUCC

During our Education Hour:  
Sunday School  
Adult Education  
Coffee Fellowship

Also today:  
Youth Group—6-8pm

## This Week at EUCC

Children's Choir Rehearsal—  
Wednesdays at 6:00pm

Taize Midweek Prayer—  
Wednesdays at 6:30pm

Chancel Choir Rehearsal—  
Thursdays at 7:30pm

Spring Yoga—Saturdays 9-10:30

## Youth Group\*

3/29—Youth Sunday—Today!  
Youth Director Phiwa will lead worship on March 29, assisted by youth.

3/29—We're going to bake pretzels and learn about why they're shaped the way they're shaped.

4/5— We will be stuffing Easter eggs for the great Sunday School Easter egg hunt.

4/12—We will be meeting between services in the fellowship hall to help with the PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

4/18—In honor of Earth Day, we will be co-sponsoring an electronics drive on Eden's campus. We will be meeting on Saturday. Stay tuned for more details.

4/26— We are doing some volunteer work at Lydia's House. The tentative schedule is to leave the church at 1 and return by 4.

\*At 6pm unless otherwise noted.

Sunday Morning  
 Shared Ministry Opportunities — Signups are in the Narthex

Ministry		Today	Next Week
Liturgists	Read the Morning Scripture and Prayers	Youth	open
Shepherds	Assist Phiwa with Preschool Playtime (11:00am service)	Melinda Love, Mechems	Elaine Branding
Crib Room Assistants	Help Carole play with our babies (two shifts)	Jan Ittner, Brenda Detrick	Teri Hillen, Marie Keath
Ushers	Greet worshippers and (at 11:00am) collect offering	Joli Baker, Bob Risk & Ray Mulligan, Paul Mack, Michael Tesch	David Faulkner, Sandy Bowe, Geno & Lola Contestabile
Coffee Hour	Provide finger foods and greet community between services	Bryant Family	Barbier Family
Money Counters	Count the weekly offerings and enter into database	Jeanne Smith, Don Hubatka	Norma Leuthauser, Bobbie Pahmeier

Pastoral Team  
 Katherine Hawker,  
 Marilyn Stavenger, Al Schon

Music Team  
 Donita Bauer,  
 Jill Thompson, Darcy Swanson  
 Parish Nurse, Lisa Von Stamwitz

Student, Nancy Mack

Youth, Phiwa Langeni

Education, Sue Schindel

Sunday AM, Carolyn Held

Nursery, Carole Janssen

Campus Minister at Webster, Laurel Hayes

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Community, Patty Pelikan, Janet Rundquist

Servant, Lori Winter, Laura Evans

Worship, Margie West, David Faulkner

Endeavoring to maintain the unity of the Holy Spirit in the bond of peace, we are open to and affirming of each child of God, recognizing that we are called to be as one reconciled Body with members of every race, gender identity, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, class, age and physical or mental health and ability.

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