

Schedules for Lent & Holy Week



Corned Beef
and Cabbage

March 15, 2012
at 6 pm

Palm Sunday - April 1

8 am & 10:30 am Worship Services

Holy Thursday - April 5

7 pm Communion Service

Good Friday - April 6

7 pm Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday - April 8

Sunrise at the prayer garden 6:30 am

8 am and 10:30 am Communion Services



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Order of Worship for Elma United Methodist Church

February 22, 2012

**Return to the LORD, your God, for he is
gracious and merciful, slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love,**

Joel 2:13, NRSV

Pastoral Care by the Rev. Daven W. Oskvig

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Ash Wednesday

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

"Hope begins in the dark, the stubborn hope that if you just show up and try to do the right thing, the dawn will come. You wait and watch and work: You don't give up."

- *Anne Lamott* from *Bird by Bird*: Some instructions on writing and life

*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

ALL: God's mercy endures for ever.

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Take Time to Be Holy* #395

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Merciful God of infinite compassion, whose creating power called us forth from the dust of the earth and whose redeeming love fashioned us anew in your divine image, in this, the acceptable time, lead us inward to be at peace with you, impel us outward to be reconciled with our neighbor, that we may embrace the sacred discipline of Lent with humbled hearts and so come to the joy of resurrection cleansed and renewed. We ask this through Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

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OLD TESTAMENT	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	pg 846
NEW TESTAMENT	2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10	pg 181
*HYMN	<i>Just As I Am, Without One Plea</i>	#357
*GOSPEL	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	pg 5
SERMON	<i>Doing It Right</i>	the Reverend Daven W. Oskvig

INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF LENTEN DISCIPLINE

THANKSGIVING OVER THE ASHES

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

PRAYER

CONFESSION PSALM 51 (*Response 1*) #785

PARDON

PASTORAL PRAYER PASTOR: Lord, in your mercy.

RESPONSE: Hear our prayers.

LORD'S PRAYER pg 895

SUNG AMEN #898

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #94

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* #402

John Mitton will offer approximately 30 minutes of reflective music following this service. All are invited to be seated during this time.