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Our mission: We gather in faith to worship Jesus as Lord, grow through grace, and share the good news of Jesus Christ Our vision: to be a community of faith who follows Christ, loves one another and ministers to the needs of others

March 26, April 2, 9: 5:45 pm supper followed by Lenten services at 6:30 pm. A free will offering will be taken to support the Zion Youth Group. Families are encouraged to come eat, worship and pray together as we journey to the cross. This year's theme is "Stepping Stones through Lent". The service will be in the sanctuary with kids involved and will close with people/families praying together during "Prayer Around the Cross".

April 13: Firefighters Knephla Dinner at the Community Center. Volunteers are needed to provide bars/cookies. Thank you.

April 17: Maundy Thursday worship service and first communion

April 18: 6:30 pm Good Friday Community Service at the Congregational Church

Introduction

The warnings are plentiful and blunt on the third Sunday in Lent. Cut it out or get cut down! The warnings are accompanied by God's invitation to attentiveness: "Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live." The landowner's ultimatum is forestalled by the gardener's readiness to till the ground one more year. That is good news for all of us. Thanks be to God!

Psalm 63:1-8

- ¹O God, you are my God; eager- I ly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there I is no water.
 - ²Therefore I have gazed upon you in your | holy place, that I might behold your power | and your glory.
 - ³ For your steadfast love is better than [|] life itself; my lips shall [|] give you praise.
 - ⁴ So will I bless you as long | as I live and lift up my hands | in your name.
 - ⁵ My spirit is content, as with the rich- | est of foods, and my mouth praises you with | joyful lips,
 - ⁶ when I remember you up- | on my bed, and meditate on you in | the night watches.
 - ⁷ For you have I been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
 - 8 My whole being | clings to you; your right hand | holds me fast.