

Lent and Holy Week Schedule 2023

- ✦ **2/21 Shrove Tuesday:** 6:00 in the Lobby
- ✦ **2/22 Ash Wednesday:**
 - 7 am, said service, no communion
 - 7 pm, Holy Eucharist with music
- ✦ **Begins 2/23 Evening Prayer:** 7:45-8 pm, M-Th via Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87221552501>)
- ✦ **Sundays in Lent:**
 - ✦ Holy Eucharist @ 10 am
 - ✦ *Lenten Learning - *The Fred Rouse Story: from Jesus to Today - Not Unique, Not Settled* @ 11:15 in the Lobby
- ✦ **4/2 Palm Sunday:** 10 am with the Procession of the Palms beginning in Classroom 1, Holy Eucharist in the Theatre
- ✦ **4/6 Maundy Thursday:** 7 pm, Classroom 1
- ✦ **4/7 Good Friday:** 7 pm, Classroom 1
- ✦ **4/8 Easter Vigil:** 7:55 pm (sunset), Classroom 1
- ✦ **4/9 Easter Sunday:** 10 am in the Theatre

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***The Fred Rouse Story: from Jesus to Today -
Not Unique, Not Settled***

Under the stealth of night a mob took Jesus of Nazareth to the Chief Judge, Caiaphas, asking for his execution. The Court of Sanhedrin, bound by law, could not justly find Jesus guilty of a capital crime. So, the mob carried him to Pilate who, under Roman law, could. The mob coerced Pilate into an extrajudicial judgement and killing of Jesus, hanging him from a cross - a 1st c. lynching - something we re-enact every Sunday in the Eucharistic prayer.

On Dec. 11th, 1921 a mob of 30 white Fort Worthian's broke into the City County Hospital on 4th St looking for Fred Rouse, a Black man injured during a strike at the Swift Meat Packing Company. Despite the pleas of the night nurse, the mob dragged Mr. Rouse out of the hospital in his nightgown. He was strung up on a tree at the corner of NE 12th St. and Samuels Ave. The mob took turns riddling his mutilated body with gunshots - a 20th c. lynching - something that lives on into the 21st c.

Extrajudicial killings of Black people in the United States are a part of our inherited, continuing communal experience - a negative unresolved experience. Unresolved, negative experiences brew and fester in the common psyche - unsettled. The only way to heal the wound is to expose it to the light of exploration. Then, one can begin to seek resolution, wholeness, and peace.

Jesus came to bring wholeness and reconciliation. His Church is called to do the same.

This Lent we are going to explore lynching in America. Using fact-based documentaries, voices of family members, and shared conversation our journey will culminate in a shared pilgrimage with St. Luke's, Trinity, and St. Stephen's to [the Fort Worth Lynching Tour](#) on Saturday before Palm Sunday (April 1st).

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Almsgiving, prayer, and fasting are the three historic pillars of Lent. ***40 Bags 40 Days*** includes all three. Here's how:

For each of the **40 days of Lent find one thing you do not need**. It might be that single use kitchen tool hidden at the back of a drawer. Perhaps it's that pair of socks that seemed like a good idea. Maybe it's a jacket or a tool in the garage. Grab a bag and prayerfully put those things in there.

At the end of Lent donate your stuff to a location of your choosing. Or, talk with Kristie about Project Adullum, a respite for homeless folks.

40 Bags 40 Days serves the world in a tangible manner and it helps you detach from "stuff," recognizing that it is God alone in whom we rely, and moves us to gratitude for the blessed lives we live.