

St. James Worship Service



First Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2026

Serving Today

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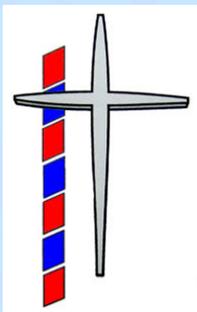
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Today's Music

803	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>
320	<i>The Glory of These Forty Days</i>
609	<i>Chief of Sinners Though I Be</i>

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803

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

**1. When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

**2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

**3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

320

The Glory of These Forty Days

**1. The glory of these forty days
we celebrate with songs of praise;
for Christ, through whom all things
were made,
himself has fasted and has prayed.**

**2. Alone and fasting Moses saw
the loving God who gave the law;
and to Elijah, fasting, came
the steeds and chariots of flame.**

**3. So Daniel trained his mystic sight,
delivered from the lion's might;
and John, the Bridegroom's friend,
became the herald of Messiah's name.**

**4. Then grant, O God, that we may, too,
return in fast and prayer to you.
Our spirits strengthen with your grace,
and give us joy to see your face.**

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell, 1862-1947, alt.

609

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

**1. Chief of sinners though I be,
Jesus shed his blood for me,
died that I might live on high,
lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine,
I am his, and he is mine.**

2. Oh, the height of Jesus' love!

**Higher than the heav'ns above,
deeper than the depths of sea,
lasting as eternity.**

**Love that found me - wondrous thought -
found me when I sought him not.**

**3. Only Jesus can impart
balm to heal the wounded heart,
peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,
joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
faith and hope to walk with God
in the way that Enoch trod.**

**4. Chief of sinners though I be,
Christ is all in all to me;
all my wants to him are known,
all my sorrows are his own.
He sustains the hidden life
safe with him from earthly strife.**

**5. O my Savior, help afford
by your Spirit and your word!
When my wayward heart would stray,
keep me in the narrow way;
grace in time of need supply
while I live and when I die.**

Text: William McComb, 1793-1870

Go in peace. Believe the good news.
Thanks be to God.

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