



Welcome to North Point Church!

Ash Wednesday, 6:30pm

February 18, 2026

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Sunday Services at 8:30am and 10:30am

WORSHIP ORDER OF SERVICE

<i>Lord I Need You</i>	Prayers and Reflection
Welcome & Introduction	The Lord's Prayer
Scripture Reading <i>Matthew 4:1-11</i>	Imposition of Ashes
<i>Speak O Lord</i>	Precious Lord Take My Hand
Scripture Reading <i>Mark 8:34-38</i>	<i>A Charge & A Blessing</i>
Homily: "No Good Nothing" Pastor Rob Wilson	

ASH WEDNESDAY

"GIVING UP CHOCOLATE OR GROWING IN FAITH"

Every year, Christians enter a season called Lent about six weeks before Easter. For many, this season has come to mean a time to 'give something up'. But, Lent means much more than simply giving up chocolate or coffee. Lent is a time to take stock of our spiritual lives, to enter the depths of Christ's temptation and suffering and to draw close to the presence of our Lord & to prepare ourselves for the greatest celebration for all humanity....Resurrection Sunday. Below you will find commonly asked questions regarding Lent & their explanations as given in a source by Pastor & Professor Robert Webber.

WHAT IS LENT?

Lent is the six week period (46 days) that precedes the remembrance of Jesus Christ's suffering and death on the cross. It is set apart as a special season of fasting, penitence, prayer and any other spiritual discipline.

WHY DOES LENT LAST 46 DAYS?

Lent was given it's time period from the time in Jesus life when he spent 40 days fasting and being tempted by Satan in the wilderness. The six additional days added to Lent are because Sunday in the Christian tradition is considered the 'Day of the Lord' or the 'Day of Resurrection'. Since there are 6 Sundays in the 40 day period, these days are not counted towards the 40 days of repentance, fasting & prayer.

WHY IS IT CALLED LENT?

The word 'lent' comes from an old Saxon word which means 'spring'. The Easter celebration and thus lent are determined by date of the spring equinox. Since this time changes each year, the celebration of Easter and Lent also change. This makes Lent and Easter fall on different days each year. Easter can fall as early as March 22nd or as late as April 25th.

WHY IS THE FIRST DAY OF LENT CALLED ASH WEDNESDAY?

Ash Wednesday gets its name from the custom of sprinkling ashes on the heads of penitents in the Old Testament (Daniel, David, People of Ninevah, Matthew 11:21). This sprinkling of ashes has come to symbolize our humility before God, our sorrow for sin and reminds us that from 'dust we came and to dust we will return'. Ash Wednesday then begins the Lenten season and we are marked with a cross on the forehead (with ashes) to commence the Lenten season.

HOW SHOULD CHRISTIANS TODAY OBSERVE LENT?

The Christian today should understand Lent to be a special season in which we draw near to God and take stock of our spiritual lives with Christ. We do this through acts of penitence, charity & devotion. This may include fasting on set days, abstaining from all things that tend to draw the heart from God and/or committing to a specific spiritual discipline that will help one draw close to God. As with all spiritual practices and disciplines, it is easy to lose our focus and sight of the ultimate purpose for doing them. The human heart has a tendency to move the focus off of God and onto ourselves in any and all things that we do. Thus it is critical for any spiritual practice to be kept in focus. The object and focus of Lent must always be to deepen our religious life, to purify our hearts from sin and to unite us more closely with our Savior.

HOLY WEEK AT NORTH POINT

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MARCH 2026

**PALM SUNDAY
EGG HUNT*
SOUP LUCK***

*AFTER SECOND SERVICE

**8:30AM &
10:30AM**

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APRIL 2026

**FLOWERING
OF THE
CROSS**

10:00AM

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APRIL 2026

**MAUNDY
THURSDAY**

6:30PM

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APRIL 2026

**EASTER
SUNDAY**

**8:30AM &
10:30AM**

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APRIL 2026

**GOOD
FRIDAY**

6:30PM

Session Elders

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Jeremy Kramer Penny Stokke
Michael Perkins Allen Timms
Claire Shields Lani Curran,
 Clerk of Session

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Jeanie Desnoyer Paul Pegany
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