

**Order Of Lenten Service**

Opening Hymn: TLH 160

Reading: **Lent VII**

*The History of the Passion of our Lord*

Sermon Hymn: TLH 404

**Sermon Text: Song Of Solomon 2:16**

*Total Commitment*

Prayer

Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: TLH 158

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Bible Study: Lambs: Luke 19:1-10; Climbing A Tree  
Sheep: Proverbs 9:7-12



*Palm Branches*

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Independent Christian Church—Conservative Lutheran Doctrine

Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.

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**Total Commitment**

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**Song of Solomon 2:16 My beloved is mine, and I am his: he feedeth among the lilies.**

The opening verses of Genesis 22 read this way in the KJV:

Genesis 22:1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.

:2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

In Genesis 22:2 we have the first occurrence of the word “**love**” in Scripture. The teaching here is that Abraham loves Isaac. But Abraham and Isaac are types. Abraham is a type of God the Father, and Isaac is a type of Jesus Christ. So the deeper meaning here is ***The Father loves the Son.***

What is interesting and instructive here is that the words ***burnt offering*** also occur in the second verse. In the burnt offering the whole animal was placed on the altar and burned. It indicated ***total commitment.***



This ***total commitment*** is what the Bridegroom, Jesus Christ, gave to his Bride, the Church. “Having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.” John 13:1b. And by the grace of God, this is also the ***total commitment*** which the Bride gives to her Bridegroom. And so she can say:

***My beloved is mine! And I am his!***