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Mount Cross Lutheran Church
102 Camino Esplendido
Camarillo, CA 93010-1717

Dear Pastor Soyster and Friends at Mount Cross Lutheran Church,

During Lent the Office of Congregational Relations emailed devotions to the campus community including the Regents and Convocators. These devotions are written by students, faculty, staff and Convocators and can also be found at <http://bit.ly/CalLutheranLent>. Below are a few samples of devotions written by the Cal Lutheran community.

Lent asks us to stand in front of the mirror, and to take a good look. There will be things we notice that we like, things that make us ashamed, things that make us wish that we were different, and things we are proud of. In that mirror you will see something beautiful that was created from dust. In that same mirror you will see something beautiful that will someday turn into dust. In that mirror is the reflection of a body that simultaneously holds both tenderness and rage, Spirit and bone, dreams and limitations, ego and pain. The mirror before you holds someone who is both a saint and a sinner.

Charlotte Trent '17

The beginning of Holy Week provides us with the perfect opportunity to reflect the fact that we all have work to do. As we go from one holy season to another, may we remember that God knows and Loves us all, and that we have the choice to reflect that love to all who cross our paths, or not. When tumult and strife plague our lives, may we turn to scripture and be reminded of the ultimate expression of that love, that God incarnate came down to earth; He lived and dwelt among us; and when the time came he humbled himself to the very extreme of our human nature: death.

Ryan Macias '18

Contributions to the Annual Fund help us do a variety of things, one of which is to tend to the spiritual lives of our students. On behalf of President Kimball and the whole Cal Lutheran community, thank you for sharing your resources.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Desta".

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