

Thursday, February 23, 2040

Thursday of Invocavit

Lent • One-Year (Historic) • 2039–2040 Church Year • Purple

APPOINTED READINGS

LESSON

Ezekiel 18:1-9

GOSPEL

John 8:31-47a

INTROIT

Confessio et pulchritudo — Psalm 96

Praise and beauty are before him: holiness and majesty in his sanctuary. Psalm. Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle: sing to the Lord all the earth.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Favourably look down, O Lord, upon the devotion of thy people, that we, who are afflicted in body by abstinence, may be refreshed in mind by the fruit of good works. Through our Lord, &c.;

Introit and collect: Husenbeth, *The Missal for the Use of the Laity* (London, 1853) — Thursday, First Week, public domain (historic Western propers; not from Lutheran service books). Readings per *The Lutheran Missal*, "Lenten Lections" (2020).