



# Fourth Sunday in Lent *Year A*

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalms 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

But the LORD said to Samuel, ... the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart."

1 Samuel 16:7a, c

Blind Kristian Minding a  
Child

Michael Ancher  
Hirschsprung Collection  
Copenhagen, Denmark



Even though I walk through the  
darkest valley, I fear no evil; for  
you are with me...

Psalm 23:4a

A Blind Woman in Her  
Room

Anna Ancher  
Hirschsprung Collection  
Copenhagen, Denmark



For once you were darkness,  
but now in the Lord you are light.  
Live as children of light -

Ephesians 5:8

A black poster with white text is mounted on a weathered, peeling wall. The text is arranged in four lines, reading "WE ARE THE CHILDREN OF LIGHT". The poster has a white border and shows signs of wear, including a tear on the left side.

**WE ARE  
THE  
CHILDREN  
OF  
LIGHT**

We Are the Children of  
Light

Wall Poster  
Williamsburg, Brooklyn

As he walked along, he saw  
a man blind from birth.

John 9:1



Blind Beggar

Jules Bastien-LePage  
Musée des Beaux-Arts  
Tournai, France



“We must work the works of him  
who sent me while it is day...  
As long as I am in the world,  
I am the light of the world.”

John 9:4a, 5



Jesus Christus das Licht der Welt -- Flower Festival, Aulendorf, Germany

he spat on the ground and made  
mud with the saliva and spread  
the mud on the man's eyes,

John 9:6b



Healing of the Man Born Blind -- Duccio, National Gallery, London

saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

John 9:7



Blind Man Washes in the Pool of Siloam -- James Tissot, Brooklyn Museum, New York City

Now it was a sabbath day when  
Jesus made the mud and opened  
his eyes.

John 9:14





Healing the Man Born Blind -- A. Carracci, Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, Barcelona

Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath."

John 9:16



Healing of the Man Born Blind -- Matthias Gerung, Bayerische Staatsbibliothek, Munich

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"

John 9:35



Son of Man

David McFall  
Canterbury Cathedral  
Canterbury, England

Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he."

John 9:37

Christ and the Pauper

Andrey Mironov  
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He said, "Lord, I believe." And he  
worshiped him.

John 9:38





Christ Heals the Blind Man -- Matyas Church, Budapest, Hungary

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