

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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The service will also be uploaded to our YouTube channel.

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2024

Noon and 7:30 PM Worship Service with Holy Communion

*You are invited to stand

SATHERING <</p> ♥

ENTER IN SILENCE

WELCOME

*GREETING

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Gracious God, out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of kindness, and strengthen us to face our mortality with confidence in the mercy of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

S WORD ≪

FIRST READING

L A reading from Isaiah

At conclusion of reading

Isaiah 58:1-12

Pew Bible, Page 674

☐ The Word of the Lord. ☐ Thanks be to God.

PSALM (Read Responsively)

Psalm 51:1-17

- A Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.
- Wash me through and through | from my wickedness, and cleanse me | from my sin.
- A For I know | my offenses, and my sin is ev- | er before me.
- Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil | in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right | in your judgment.

- A Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my | mother's womb.
- Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me, and would have me know wisdom | deep within.
- A Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be pur- | er than snow.
- Let me hear | joy and gladness; that the body you have broken | may rejoice.
- A Hide your face | from my sins, and blot out I all my wickedness.
- ☑ Create in me a clean | heart, O God, and renew a right spir- | it within me.
- A Cast me not away | from your presence, and take not your Holy Spir-

| it from me.

- Restore to me the joy of | your salvation and sustain me with your boun- | tiful Spirit.
- A Let me teach your ways | to offenders, and sinners shall be re- | stored to you.
- Rescue me from bloodshed, O God of | my salvation, and my tongue shall sing | of your righteousness.
- A O Lord, o- | pen my lips, and my mouth shall pro- | claim your praise.
- For you take no delight in sacrifice, or | I would give it. You are not pleased | with burnt offering.
- A The sacrifice of God is a | troubled spirit; a troubled and broken heart, O God, you will | not despise.

SECOND READING

L A reading from 2 Corinthians At conclusion of reading

□ The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Pew Bible, Page 1052

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Sung)

front of ELW pg. 151

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

*GOSPEL

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Pew Bible, Page 881

Glory to you, O Lord.

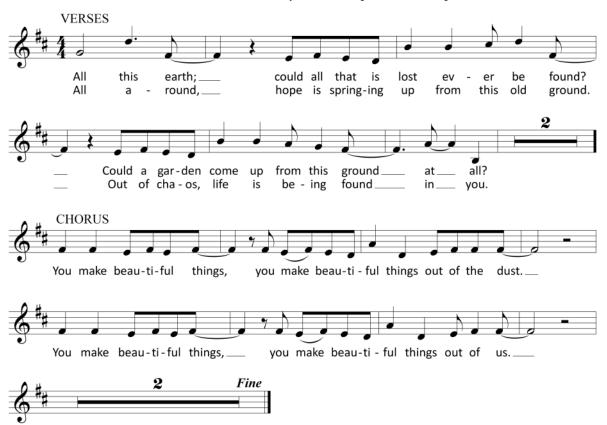
At conclusion of reading

■ The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ

MEDITATION

Pastor Karen Boda

Words and Music by Michael Gungor and Lisa Gungor



INVITATION TO LENT

P Friends in Christ, today with the whole church we enter the time of remembering Jesus' passover from death to life, and our life in Christ is renewed. We begin this holy season by affirming our baptisms and acknowledging our need for repentance and for God's mercy. We are created to experience joy in communion with God, to love one another, and to live in harmony with creation. But our sinful rebellion separates us from God, our neighbors, and creation, so that we do not enjoy the life our creator intended. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to continue in the covenant God made with us in holy baptism. I invite you, therefore, to the discipline of Lent--self-examination and repentance, prayer and fasting, sacrificial giving and works of love--strengthened by the gifts of word and sacrament. Let us continue our journey through these forty days to the great Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection.

CONFESSION OF SIN

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly may kneel or sit. Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

- Most holy and merciful God,
- we confess to you and to one another, and before the whole company of heaven, that we have sinned by our fault, by our own fault, by our own most grievous fault, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
- P We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- P We have shut our ears to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- Our past unfaithfulness, the pride, envy, hypocrisy, and apathy that have infected our lives, we confess to you.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people, we confess to you.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to share the faith that is in us, we confess to you.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- Our neglect of human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty, we confess to you.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- Our false judgments, our uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us, we confess to you.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- Our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us, we confess to you.
- Have mercy on us, O God.
- P Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.
- Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

P Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be a sign of our mortality and penitence, reminding us that only by the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ are we given eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Those desiring the imposition may come forward and kneel or stand to receive the ashes. The Minister marks the forehead of each person with a cross of ashes, saying:

P Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

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MUSIC DURING IMPOSITION

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

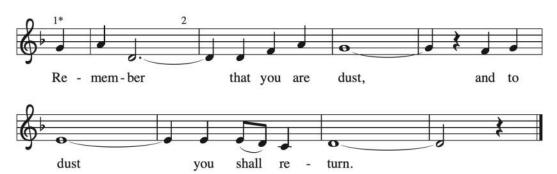
Bells of Good Shepherd

by Douglas E. Wagner; based on St. Flavian

"Remember That You Are Dust"

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CROSS OF ASHES, Mark Mummert, b. 1965 Music © 2009 Augsburg Fortress



"Savior When in Dust to You"

ELW #601

- P Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,
- (a) that we may show forth your glory in the world.
- P By the cross and passion of your son, our Savior,
- **9** bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.
- P Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
- @ Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Assisting Minister will close each petition with the words, "Hear us, O God." worshippers respond with the words, "Your mercy is great".



OFFERING

The "Who's Who in the Pew" pads are passed as the offering is received.

OFFERING ANTHEM (Noon)

"Out of the Depths"

Chancel Choir

(7:30)

-Psalm 130 adapted by John Carter "Son of David"

Praise Team

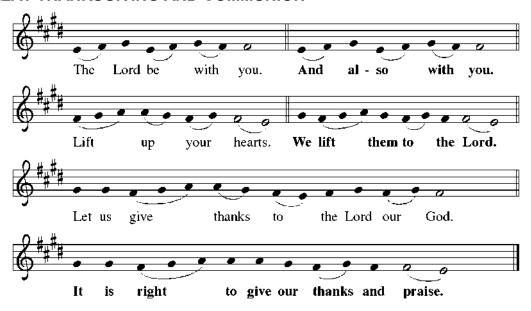
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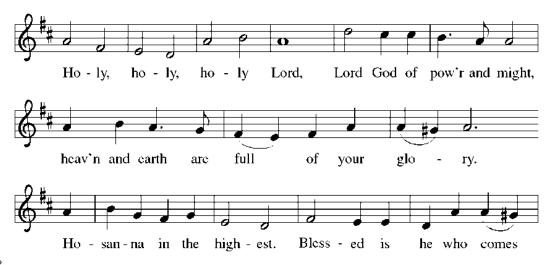
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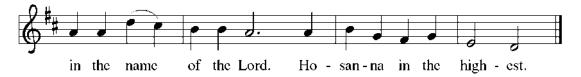
A Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION







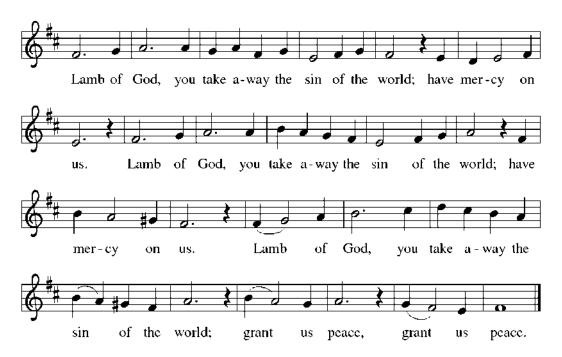
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS
"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"
By Douglas E Wagner; based on Near the Cross

" Above All"

Words and Music by Lenny LeBlanc and Paul Baloche; © 1999 Integrityy's Hosanna!Music | LenSongs Publishing

Verse 1

Above all powers above all kings Above all nature and all created things Above all wisdom and all the ways of man You were here before the world began

Verse 2

Above all kingdoms above all thrones Above all wonders the world has ever known Above all wealth and treasures of the earth There's no way to measure What You're worth

Chorus

Crucified laid behind the stone
You lived to die rejected and alone
Like a rose trampled on the ground
You took the fall and thought of me
Above all
(Repeat verses and Chorus)

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. Amen.

SENDING ≪

*BLESSING

- P Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ⊕ give you peace.
- Amen.

***SENDING HYMN** "O Lord, Now Let Your Servant"

ELW #313

*DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Share your bread.
- Chanks be to God.

Blessing the Dust *Jan Richardson*

All those days you felt like dust, like dirt, as if all you had to do was turn your face toward the wind and be scattered to the four corners or swept away by the smallest breath as insubstantial—did you not know

what the Holy One can do with dust?

This is the day we freely say we are scorched.

This is the hour we are marked by what has made it through the burning.

This is the moment we ask for the blessing that lives within the ancient ashes, that makes its home inside the soil of this sacred earth.

So let us be marked not for sorrow.

And let us be marked not for shame.

Let us be marked not for false humility or for thinking we are less than we are but for claiming what God can do

MID-WEEK SERVICES

Join us for the following 5 Wednesdays at noon or at 7:30 PM. For our mid-week Lenten services, we will use "Holden Prayers Around the Cross" as a guide for a contemplative service of prayer, and yes, there will be candles!

February 21: Our Light and Our Salvation – a service of light and intercessory prayer based on Psalm 27

February 28: In Silence we wait - a prayer of longing and hope

March 6: For the Healing of Creation – Prayers on behalf of the whole creation based on Psalms 105 and 145

March 13: Beside Still Waters – a liturgy of healing prayer and anointing based on Psalm 23

March 20: For the Healing of the Nations – intercessory prayer for peoples, lands and nations based on Isaiah 65 and Revelation 21



Soup and Salad Supper will be offered beginning at 6:45 PM each Wednesday evening prior to the mid-week Lenten service. If you would like to bring a soup, please sign-up in Fellowship Hall.

GOOD SHEPHERD STAFF	
Rev. Karen Boda	Interim Pastor
Gay Lyn Ferry	Supply Organist
Pam Weinelt	Praise Team Coordinator
Melina Thurmond	Youth/Family
	Ministry Coordinator
	& Office Coordinator
Donna Garges	Media Coordinator
Carrie Escamilla	Bookkeeper
Aaron Frink	Custodian

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