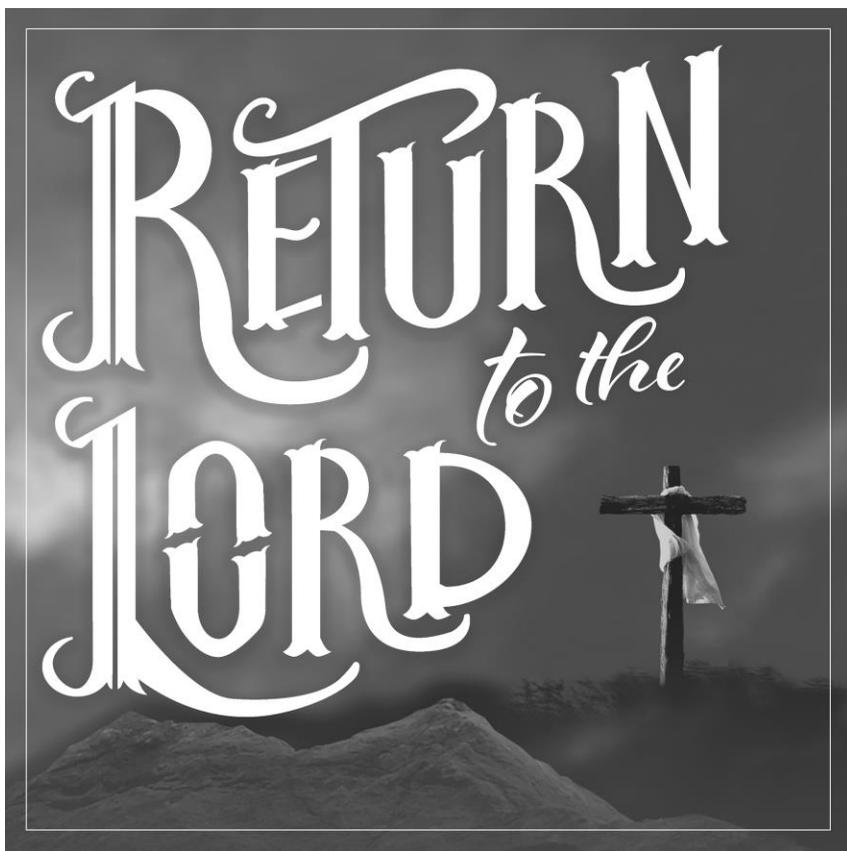


# Mt. Pisgah Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

February 17, 2021

Ash Wednesday



## A Call to Return

Through the words of the prophet Joel, God called to His people and commanded that they turn from their sinful ways and return to Him for His grace and blessings. The images the prophet uses are vivid and disturbing. The situation of God's people is desperate and needs immediate attention. This is a time for listening and responding to the call to return to faithfulness to the God who has ever been faithful to His people. "Return to the Lord, your God" is more than a verse sung as part of the liturgy. It is a heartfelt directive for our lives as together we follow the pathway of Lent.



**We are delighted to have you worship with us today.** May this hour of praise and celebration be one of spiritual renewal. Please join us for worship at any time and sign the red Record of Fellowship pad in the pew. **To inquire about membership or other information, please call the Church Office: 692-7027 or email us at [mtpisgahlcms@gmail.com](mailto:mtpisgahlcms@gmail.com).**

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## **TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER**



Holy Communion is the means by which Jesus Christ, the bread of life, gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. Through this Sacrament, Jesus forgives our sins, gives us victory over death and Satan, and delivers his eternal salvation to us. Since this is the true body and true blood of Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and wine, we do not treat this sacrament lightly; rather, we receive it with great reverence and gratitude to our merciful Savior. Moreover, St. Paul writes: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself (1 Cor. 11:27-29)." An order of self-examination is located on pages 329-330 of your hymnal.

To ensure that all who participate in this sacrament receive this sacred gift as the blessing it is intended to be and not to their condemnation, this congregation, with Christian love and in accordance with Holy Scripture, practices closed communion with those who have been instructed and share our public profession of the Christian faith in all its articles. We therefore ask our guests who wish to commune to speak with the Pastor before the service. Holy Communion is celebrated during both services on the first and third Sunday and on special festivals.

**\*\*We provide both the common cup and individual cups (the center individual cups are alcohol free). Gluten-free hosts are available; please alert the Pastor or an Elder.\*\***

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# Mt. Pisgah Lutheran Church & Preschool

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**February 17, 2021**

*Ash Wednesday*

## *Serving Today*

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**Pastor Jonathan Christensen**

**Robert Hamrick, Organist**

**Lois Schweinler, Choir Director**

	<b><u>1:00 PM</u></b>	<b><u>7:00 PM</u></b>
<b>Elders</b>	<b>Rudy Eidam</b>	<b>John Zagone</b>
<b>Lectors</b>	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX

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## **Serving Next Week**

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**9:00 AM—1:00 PM on Friday**

# ASH WEDNESDAY

Prelude

As Rebels, Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered  
Break Your Hearts

Paul Grime  
David A. deSilva

## Preparation

*Stand*

### Ash Wednesday Address

**P** In the prophet Joel we read, “Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.” Lent is a season during which the whole church is encouraged to assess our faithfulness to the Lord Jesus, to recognize where we have fallen short, to repent of our sins, and to return to the Lord through the Means of Grace.

In the Holy Scriptures, ashes symbolize repentance. On this occasion, ashes mark our foreheads as a reminder that “we are dust and to dust we shall return.” These ashes are in the shape of a cross, as a reminder that through the cross of Christ our sins are forgiven. Marked with the sign of our humanity and our redemption in Christ, we are called to daily die to sin and be raised to new life with Christ. The new life in Christ is marked by the fruit of the Spirit as a way of life to which we now aspire by the grace of God. So, “return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love” (Joel 2:13).

*Kneel/Sit*

*Silence for reflection.*

**P** Return to the Lord your God,

**C** **for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**

**P** From seeking after other gods,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** From misusing Your name,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** From forgetting to call upon You in every trouble and from faltering in prayer,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** From faltering in worship and not always hearing and learning Your Word gladly,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** From disrespecting the authorities You have placed in our lives,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** From disregard for our neighbor’s well-being,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** From failing to nurture the most important relationships in our lives,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** From our lack of complete honesty toward one another and our failure to help our neighbors improve their possession and income,

**C** we return to You, O Lord.

**P** From speaking hurtful words about others and failing to explain our neighbors' actions in the kindest way,

**C** we return to You, O Lord.

**P** From covetous thoughts and actions,

**C** we return to You, O Lord.

**P** To Your gracious Word of love for us in Christ,

**C** we return.

**P** To our identity as children of God, baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

**C** we return.

**P** To Christ's body and blood, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of our sins,

**C** we return.

**P** Return to the Lord your God,

**C** for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

**P** Steadfast Lord, You remain a solid foundational rock, even when we are shaky and weak. We thank and praise You for Your gracious invitation to return to You, not only during this Lenten season, but day by day. We are prone to wander. Yet Your love for us never wavers, and You constantly call us to return to You. Bless our Lenten journey. Let it be for us a time of daily returning to You, that we may be Your own and live under You in Your kingdom and serve You in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Imposition of Ashes

*The pastor and Elder receive ashes first, followed by the congregation. The Elder will invite your pew row to stand and come forward. If you wish to receive ashes, please put on your facemask and keep social distance while moving to the center aisle and coming forward. Those who do not wish to receive ashes should also mask and move to allow others to pass before returning to their seat. If this is not possible and movement is obstructed, those receiving ashes should use the outside aisle, moving toward the back of the sanctuary, and then coming forward via the center aisle. Using the right thumb, the pastor places the ashes on the forehead of each person in the sign of the cross, saying:*

**A** Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

*After receiving the ashes, each person returns to his place in silence via the outside aisle.*

## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

## Hymn

## 612 As Rebels, Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered



1 As reb - els, Lord, who fool - ish - ly have wan - dered  
 2 Still we re - turn, our con - trite words re - hears - ing,  
 3 A feast of love for us You are pre - par - ing;



Far from Your love— un - fed, un - clean, un - clothed—  
 Speech, that with - in Your warm em - brace soon dies;  
 We who were lost, You give an hon - ored place!



Dare we re - call Your wealth so rash - ly squan - dered,  
 All of our guilt, our shame, our pain re - vers - ing  
 "Come, eat; come, drink, and be no more de - spair - ing—



Dare hope to glean that boun - ty which we loathed?  
 As tears of joy and wel - come fill Your eyes.  
 Here taste a - gain the trea - sures of My grace."

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

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

*Kneel/Sit*

**P** Holy and gracious God,

**C** **we confess our sin to You.**

**P** We cannot overcome our own sinful nature. Our desiring, our thinking, our acting, and our speaking—all goods gifts that You provide through Your good creation—we have warped and turned into instruments of sin.

**C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**

**P** We have not loved You with our whole heart, soul, body, mind, and strength. We have neglected the needs of our neighbors—both those closest to us and strangers alike.

**C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**

**P** For the times when our faith has wavered, for moments of arrogance, for petty jealousies, and for the small and big ways we have sought revenge.

**C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**

- P** For placing our own personal needs over the needs of our community and over the needs of other people in our lives.
- C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P** For the times that our hearts have turned away from worshiping You and for not praying as regularly and trustingly as we should.
- C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P** For the times when we have shrunk away from opportunities to give witness to Your grace to us in Christ Jesus and for times when we have failed to have compassion for those who are struggling in life, imagining that we deserve better than they do.
- C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P** For seeking comfort for ourselves and not being as concerned about those who suffer injustice.
- C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P** For explaining our neighbors' actions in unkind ways. For using our words as weapons against others. For standing in judgment over those who most need to hear a word of grace.
- C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P** For the times when we have been careless toward this beautiful world that You created for us to live in.
- C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P** For all of the other sins, those of which we are aware and those to which we remain blind, we plead with You to forgive us and to fill us with the power of the Spirit to amend our lives.
- C** **Lord, have mercy on us.**
- P** Because of Jesus' paying the price for our sins on the cross, God readily forgives all who return to Him in repentance and faith. "For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear Him. For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust" (Psalm 103:11–14).
- C** **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

*Stand*

Psalm

*Psalm 51:1–13*



- <sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;\*  
according to your abundant mercy blot out my trans- | gressions.
- <sup>2</sup>Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\*  
and cleanse me | from my sin!

<sup>3</sup>For I know my trans- | gressions,\*  
and my sin is ever be- | fore me.

<sup>4</sup>**Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil | in your sight,\*  
so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your | judgment.**

<sup>5</sup>Behold, I was brought forth in in- | iquity,\*  
and in sin did my mother con- | ceive me.

<sup>6</sup>**Behold, you delight in truth in the inward | being,\*  
and you teach me wisdom in the | secret heart.**

<sup>7</sup>Purge me with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;\*  
wash me, and I shall be whit- | er than snow.

<sup>8</sup>**Let me hear joy and | gladness;\*  
let the bones that you have bro- | ken rejoice.**

<sup>9</sup>Hide your face | from my sins,\*  
and blot out all my in- | iquities.

<sup>10</sup>**Create in me a clean heart, | O God,\*  
and renew a right spirit with- | in me.**

<sup>11</sup>Cast me not away from your | presence,\*  
and take not your Holy Spirit | from me.

<sup>12</sup>**Restore to me the joy of your sal- | vation,\*  
and uphold me with a willing | spirit.**

<sup>13</sup>Then I will teach transgressors | your ways,\*  
and sinners will re- | turn to you.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let \_\_\_\_\_ us \_\_\_\_\_ pray.  
Merciful God, You call us to turn from sin, turn to You, and live. Help us to recognize our sin for what it is, confess it to You, and then receive the forgiveness of our sins accomplished by our Lord Jesus on the cross; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Joel 2:12–19*

**P** The Old Testament Reading for Ash Wednesday is from Joel, the second chapter.

<sup>12</sup>“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; <sup>13</sup>and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. <sup>14</sup>Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? <sup>15</sup>Blow the trumpet in Zion;

consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; <sup>16</sup>gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. <sup>17</sup>Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"

<sup>18</sup>Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. <sup>19</sup>The LORD answered and said to his people, "Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10*

**P** The Epistle is from Second Corinthians, the fifth and sixth chapters.

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. <sup>1</sup>Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. <sup>3</sup>We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; <sup>7</sup>by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Stand

### Verse

*Joel 2:13b*

**P** Return to the LORD, your God,

**C** **for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said:] "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

<sup>2</sup>“Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup>so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>5</sup>“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup>But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. . . .

<sup>16</sup>“And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>17</sup>But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup>that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>19</sup>“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup>but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

### Break Your Hearts

*Melody: King's Weston (LSB 512)*



1 Break your hearts with mourn - ing And your pride in two,  
 2 See your Sav - ior dy - ing, Hung up - on the tree.  
 3 Gath - er all in num - ber From both far and near;



Ash and grief a - dorn - ing Your re - pen - tance true.  
 It is vain de - ny - ing What is plain to see:  
 E - ven those in slum - ber Wait for trum - pets clear.



With your tears and fast - ing, From your God dis - cern  
 While His heart is break - ing, Still your God will earn  
 When the Lord grants bless - ing, Bro - ken hearts will learn



His ways ev - er - last - ing: To your Lord re - turn.  
 Free - dom in the mak - ing. To your Lord re - turn.  
 Joy be - yond ex - press - ing; To your Lord re - turn.

## Sermon

### *Stand*

#### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

#### Prayer of the Church

**P** With repentant hearts, let us turn to God in prayer for the Church, the world, and all who are in need, trusting that God is gracious and merciful to us in Jesus, abounding in steadfast love.

For the Church, that this Lenten season draws us closer to God and to one another as we focus on Jesus' redemptive acts for us and the life that He calls us to live—marked by repentance, fasting, prayer, and acts of love toward our neighbors. In prayer,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** For leaders throughout the world, that all leaders serve with wisdom, uphold justice, and provide means of caring for those most vulnerable among us. In prayer,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** For those in our community who struggle with poverty, addiction, or unemployment, that during this Lenten time, You reenergize Your Church to serve them and love our neighbors in need as You loved and served the poor and outcast during Your earthly ministry. In prayer,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** For those who are sick, hospitalized, or dying, that they experience healing according to Your will, and that in the midst of their suffering they would experience the presence of Jesus in words of hope and acts of care. In prayer,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** For this congregation, that our intensified repentance, fasting, and prayer lead us to live in renewed ways, dying to sin with Christ in Holy Baptism each day, and being raised to new life as well every day and into eternity. In prayer,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

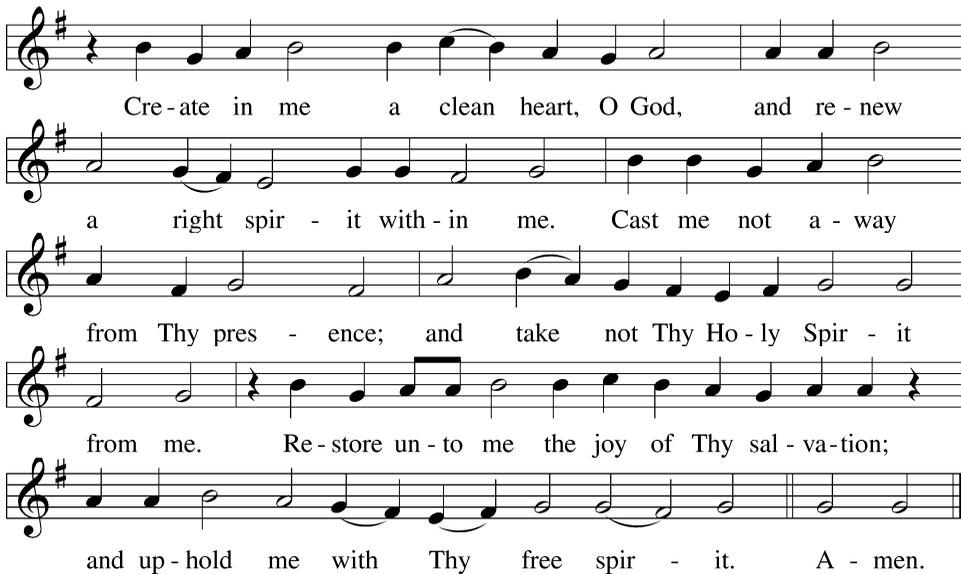
**P** For our loved ones who faithfully followed Jesus in this life and are now with Him in heaven, we give thanks. Bring us to that day when all Your saints, past, present, and future, are returned to You for all eternity. In prayer,

**C** **we return to You, O Lord.**

**P** By the words of the prophets and by the living voice of Jesus in our ears, You call us to return to You, O Lord. According to Your gracious mercy and abounding love, hear our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### 956 Create in Me



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new  
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way  
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;  
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

**P** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:

**C** **Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Thanks and praise we give to You, O Lord, for returning to Your people again and again in mercy. When Adam and Eve walked away, You came to them with the promise of a Savior. When the world forgot Your ways, You saved Noah and his family in the flood. When the Israelites complained in the wilderness, still You provided manna and quail. When so many of the kings were unfaithful, You sustained a faithful remnant. At just the right time, You sent Jesus, Your only-begotten Son, to suffer, die, and be raised, so that the whole world might return to You.

On this Ash Wednesday marked by repentance, we return to You, O God, and praise You that Your mercy never fails, that You forgive not seven times but seventy times seven, that Jesus came to save not the righteous, but sinners. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn

## 434 Lamb of God, Pure and Holy



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,



Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.



All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!  
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!  
Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

*Sit*

## Distribution

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.  
**Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.  
**Amen.**

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\dagger$  in peace.

**G** Amen.

Hymn

570 Just as I Am, without One Plea



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy  
2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my  
3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a  
4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es,



blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to  
soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each  
con - flict, man - y a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with - in, with -  
heal - ing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown  
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

## Hymn

## 610 Lord Jesus, Think on Me



1 Lord Je - sus, think on me And purge a - way my sin;  
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, By anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;  
3 Lord Je - sus, think on me A - mid the bat - tle's strife;  
4 Lord Je - sus, think on me Nor let me go a - stray;  
5 Lord Je - sus, think on me That, when this life is past,



From world - ly pas - sions set me free And make me pure with - in.  
Let me Your lov - ing ser - vant be And taste Your prom - ised rest.  
In all my pain and mis - er - y, O be my health and life!  
Through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty Point out Your cho - sen way.  
I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see And share Your joy at last.

*Stand*

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.  
Forgiving God, we thank You for providing Christ's body and blood as nourishment today and throughout our Lenten journey. As we travel through these forty days, guide us to greater depth and breadth in following Jesus, that as the Body of Christ our witness to the love of God may permeate the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

Hymn

419 Savior, When in Dust to Thee



1 Sav - ior, when in dust to Thee Low we bow the a -  
 2 By Thy help - less in - fant years, By Thy life of  
 3 By Thine hour of dire de - spair, By Thine ag - o -  
 4 By Thy deep ex - pir - ing groan, By the sad se -



dor - ing knee; When, re - pen - tant, to the skies  
 want and tears, By Thy days of deep dis - tress  
 ny of prayer, By the cross, the nail, the thorn,  
 pul - chral stone, By the vault whose dark a - bode



Scarce we lift our weep - ing eyes; O, by all Thy  
 In the sav - age wil - der - ness, By the dread, mys -  
 Pierc - ing spear, and tor - turing scorn, By the gloom that  
 Held in vain the ris - ing God, O, from earth to



pains and woe Suf - fered once for us be - low, Bend - ing  
 te - rious hour Of the in - sult - ing tempt - er's pow'r, Turn, O  
 veiled the skies O'er the dread - ful sac - ri - fice, Lis - ten  
 heav'n re - stored, Might-y, re - as - cend - ed Lord, Bend - ing



from Thy throne on high, Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
 turn a fa - v'ring eye; Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
 to our hum - ble sigh; Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
 from Thy throne on high, Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!

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Postlude

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# Prayers and Concerns

## Surgeries and Illness

Brian Keeney	Jackie Fry	Sally Hardy
Helen Hutson (Montgomery)	Neil Motyka (Fry)	Joann Kapugi
Katrina Roland (Doster)	Maureen Duemig	Joyce Boss (Kruse)
Mike & Delilah (Perkins)	Madeline Biddle	Agapia Dragan (Luecke)
Melanie & family (Kaufman)	Elizabeth Kaufman	Stacy Scovanner (Fry)
Jax Warren (Hville County Sheriff Deputy's son)		Brenda Ridgeway (Amato)
Grace Floyd (Fry)	Tim Kelly (Licht)	Lois T. (Fabricious)
Mary Coffman (Rev. Coffman)		Lou Anne Rambo (Gonzalez)
Sharon De Poi (Gonzalez)	Kay Shoe (Rappley)	Ellen Trinkka (Montgomery)
Raymond Chang (Kirchoefer)		Jim Cowan (Preschool)

## Homebound

Ann Cheadle	Kathleen Fox	Joan Ginter
Dorothy Lehman	Dianne Luecke	Jan Nelson
Dave & Lee Marquardt	Glenn & Suzie Karnatz	Eleney Selius
Louise Bauer	Warna Berryman	Judy Fuchs
Joann Kapugi	George Fuchs	Nancy Stang

## Compassion and Sympathy

### Other Prayers and Concerns

Our Preschool Staff, Children & Families  
*Evangelical Lutheran Church & School in Laotchikit, Haiti*

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# **FEBRUARY**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Women's Bible Study 10 AM Prayer Shawl 1 PM Evening Bible Study 7 PM	4 Quilter's Ministry 9 AM	5 Mission Board 1 PM	6
7 Communion 8 AM Children Sunday School 9:15 AM Communion 10:45 AM	8 Ladies Guild 1 PM	9 Elder's Meeting 7 PM	10 Women's Bible Study 10 AM Evening Bible Study 7 PM	11	12 Preschool Closed-training day	13
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