

Prelude “Wondrous Love” (var. 1-3) Austin Willhite

Welcome/Announcements

Hymn “Savior, When in Dust to You” 91 LBW

Exhortation to Lent

Prayer of Confession

C: Most merciful God, who gave your only begotten Son to die for us, we confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. For Jesus’ sake, have mercy on us. Forgive us our sins and, by your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your word, that by your grace we may come to everlasting life. Amen.

Imposition of Ashes

Psalm for Reflection: Psalm 51:1-17 Red Pew Bible pg. 452

Prayer of the Day

C: Almighty and ever-living God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and honest hearts, so that, truly repenting of our sins, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Absolution

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. Through his Holy Spirit he cleanses us and gives us power to proclaim the mighty deeds of God who called us out of darkness into the splendor of his light. As a member with you of the priesthood of all believers, but by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God!

First Reading Joel 2:12-19

Second Reading Philippians 1:20-26

Gospel Luke 15:11-32

Sermon “Lord of the Banquet: Coming Home Party”
Pastor Dave Wollan

Hymn “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” 448 LBW

Apostles’ Creed

Offering/Special Music:

(12:00) “Wondrous Love” Staff Choir

(6:30) “God So Loved the World” Ringers of Faith

Prayers

Holy Communion

The Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

Distribution Hymns 198, 212 LBW, 710 WOV

Psalm for Reflection: Psalm 90 Red Pew Bible pg. 476

Benediction

Closing Hymn “Just as I Am, without One Plea” 296 LBW

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WHAT IS ASH WEDNESDAY?

Since at least the seventh century, Ash Wednesday has been observed as the first day of Lent. The name is taken from the ancient tradition of placing ashes on the foreheads of penitents. Ash Wednesday remains the day of the year most focused on repentance.

WHY ASHES?

Ashes symbolize beginnings and endings. In the beginning, God created us from the dust of the earth. In the end, we will all return to the dust because of our sin. Ashes also symbolize our new beginning in the death of Christ, for today, through Word and Sacrament, God once again re-creates the human heart. The past is forgiven; a new future is given, and at the end of time, there is resurrection. Out of the dust, God will create again from our ashes a life that death cannot touch.

Faith Lutheran Church

Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Worship Services - 12 Noon & 6:30 p.m.

Lenten Schedule

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. through March 24

(Services will be live streamed via Facebook)

February 24 ~ Pastor Mark Richardson
"I'm Coming to Your House Today" Luke 19:1-10

March 3 ~ Pastor Aaron Albrecht
"That Woman!" Luke 7:36-50

March 10 ~ Pastor Scott Grorud
"Jesus Is In the House" Luke 10:38-42

March 17 ~ Pastor Brian Nehring
"Uncomfortable Conversations" Luke 11:37-54

March 24 ~ Pastor Dave Wollan
"Dinner with Levi" Luke 5:27-32

April 1 (Maundy Thursday - First Communion)
"Last Meal" Luke 22:14-30

Confirmation Small Group Discussions

Beginning next Wednesday, February 24,
Confirmation small groups will meet after each service.

Thank you to all of the volunteers at both services and
to Bob and Jan Kreie's confirmation small group for
helping with the evening service.

LORD OF THE BANQUET



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