

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP



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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 • 7 PM

*Service of Worship, Holy Communion,
and Imposition of Ashes*



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives

WORSHIP LEADERS

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Rev. Audrey F. Thorne
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Rev. Danny L. Carpenter
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Liturgist

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Dr. Michelle Louer
Director of Music and Fine Arts

Dr. John Allegar
Organist and Assistant Director of Music and Fine Arts

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Silent Prayer of Preparation

Prelude

Prelude
Dr. John Allegar, organ

Gerald Finzi (1901-1956)
arr. Alan Ridout (1934-1996)

Welcome

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

* Call to Worship

Rev. Caroline G. Eader

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

All: As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

One: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

All: Hope in God; for we shall again praise him, my help and my God.

* Opening Hymn #81

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

Call to Confession

Zachary A. Rivers and Rev. Caroline G. Eader

Litany of Penitence

One: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love.
According to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

**All: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.**

One: You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

**All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

One: Holy and merciful God, we confess to you, and to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth
that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed;
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

**All: 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.**

One: We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness:

All: The pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives.

One: We confess to you, O God,

All: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people.

One: We confess to you, O God,

**All: Our anger at our own frustration
and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves.**

One: We confess to you, O God,

**All: Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts,
and our dishonesty in daily life and work.**

One: We confess to you, O God.

**All: Our reluctance in prayer and worship,
and our failure to bear witness to the faith that is in us,**

One: We confess to you, O God.

All: The wrongs we have done and our neglect of human need and suffering.

One: We confess to you, O God.

**All: Our false judgments, our uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors,
and our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us.**

One: We confess to you, O God.

**All: Our waste and pollution of your creation
and our lack of concern for those who come after us.**

Silence

One: Accept our repentance, O God, for your mercy is great.

**All: Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.
Hear our prayers, O God, for your mercy is great.**

Choral Response

Agnus Dei (from *Missa Paschalis*)
Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Michelle Louer, conductor

Jan Dismas Zelenka
(1679-1745)

*Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.*

Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Litany of Reconciliation

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

One: Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another,
and our whole life to Christ our Lord.

All: To you, O Lord.

Prayer for Illumination

Owen Bales

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 103:13-18

(p. 543)

Second Scripture Reading

Isaiah 30:15, 18

(p. 645)

Into the Shadows

*"Therefore the Lord waits to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show mercy to you.
For the Lord is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him."
(Isaiah 30:18)*

The Imposition of the Ashes and Holy Communion

Hymn of Preparation

Kyrie (from Symphony, no. 9, II)

Antonin Dvořák (1841-1904)
arr. Ruth Elaine Schram (b. 1956)

*Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.*

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e
e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, Chri - ste e - le - i -
son. Chri - ste, Chri - ste e - le - i - son.
Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e,
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, e - le - i - son.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Rev. Audrey F. Thorne

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Danny L. Carpenter

One: People of God, the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: People of dust, lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord, who created us.

One: People of ashes, let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God, who gives us new life.

Sanctus

Franz Schubert
(1797-1828)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly,
ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

This evening we will celebrate communion by intinction.

Please exit your pew on the right side, come to the front to receive the imposition of ashes, take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, partake of the elements, and return to your pew on the left side.

If you prefer to receive communion and the imposition of ashes in your pew, the servers will bring the elements to you. All bread is gluten free.

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord,
and cast not off thy servants in thy displeasure;
for we confess our sins unto thee,
and hide not our unrighteousness.
For thy mercy's sake deliver us from all our sins.

Text: Psalm 27:9 (adapted)

Prayer After the Meal

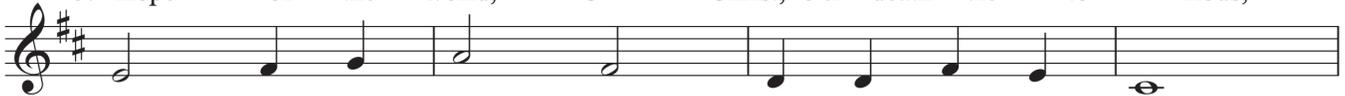
* Closing Hymn

Hope of the World

O PERFECT LOVE



1. Hope of the world, Thou Christ of great com - pas - sion,
2. Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
3. Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
4. Hope of the world, who by Thy cross didst save us
5. Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,



Speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent.
Bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life,
Show - ing to wan - dering souls the path of light;
From death and deep de - spair, from sin and guilt;
Who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain,



Save us, Thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
Still let Thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
Walk Thou be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways
We ren - der back the love Thy mer - cy gave us;
We would be faith - ful to Thy gos - pel glo - rious:



Who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
To heal earth's wounds and end our bit - ter strife.
Lure us a - way from Thee to end - less night.
Take Thou our lives and use them as Thou wilt.
Thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign!

* Charge and Blessing

You are invited to remain seated in the sanctuary for a time of meditation and to depart in silence.

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LENTEN CONCERT

February 22 • 3 PM • Milner Chapel

Concert of Sung Devotion
on the Body of Christ

Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY

March 29

8:15 AM • Milner Chapel

10 AM • Sanctuary

Children's Procession of Palms

11:15 AM • Milner Chapel

Wholeness & Communion

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

April 1 • 5:30 PM

Begins and ends in Atrium

Children and families are invited to
explore Jesus' final days through
interactive storytelling.

*(Meet us in the Atrium any time
between 5:30 and 6:15 PM.)*

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 2 • 8 PM • Sanctuary

Service of Tenebrae
& Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY

April 3 • 12 - 3 PM • Sanctuary

Meditations on the Seven
Last Words of Christ

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5

7:15 AM Sunrise Service • Labyrinth

(McFarland Hall in case of rain)

9 & 11 AM • Sanctuary

(Prelude begins 20 minutes prior)



*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
within the dust,
within the dirt,
within the stuff
of which the world
is made
and the stars that blaze
in our bones
and the galaxies that spiral
inside the smudge
we bear.*

—Jan Richardson, Blessing the Dust

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