



Wednesday, February 18, 2025



GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE "What Wondrous Love Is This" arr. Callahan and Biery
Jennifer Baham

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God sent Christ into the world not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

People: God's love endures forever.

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though the waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

People: God's love endures forever.

Leader: God abides with us and teaches us to die to self and to live repentant lives.

People: God's love endures forever. We return, we remember, and we will listen well.

Leader: Come, let us worship God!

HYMN #215 (v 1,2,&3) "What Wondrous Love is This"

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

God of Compassion, we turn toward you today. Hear us as we bring our whole selves to you in prayer. Forgive our pride and misguided steps. Forgive our self-absorption and our self-destructive habits. Forgive us when we let doubts hold us captive or self-confidence lead us astray. Forgive our longing for attention and forgive our desire to hide. Forgive the ways we have moved away from you in thought, word or deed. Create in us clean hearts, O God. Renew in us a right spirit, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF PRAISE "Create in Me a Clean Heart

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 58:5-11

MESSAGE "Breaking Every Yoke" Rev. Erica Rader

LITANY OF ASHES Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

Leader: Oh God, we are reminded this day of the temporality of our lives here on the earth.

People: We are dust and to dust we will return.

Leader: It is by your Spirit and your power that we are given life.

People: You are the source of all hope and life.

Leader: We enter now a season of repentance.

People: That we may turn from selfishness.

Leader: We set aside some comforts

People: That we may turn our attention to Your holiness.

Leader: Cast now our transgressions far from us

People: As far as the east is from the west.

Leader: We mourn the profound disconnection from You that happened at the dawn of humankind.

People: Bring us back into Your presence.

Leader: We rejoice in the perfect work of Christ on earth.

People: Christ reconciles us to You.

Leader: Prepare our hearts, Oh God, for Resurrection life.

People: You bring beauty from ashes.

Leader: Prepare our hearts for the joy of Your coming.

People: You bring gladness from mourning.

Leader: Prepare our hearts for the fullness of Your presence.

People: You bring forth praise from despair.

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

ANTHEM "From the Ashes" by Lloyd Larson

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

HYMN #450

"Be Thou My Vision"

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BENEDICTION

Rev. Erica Rader

POSTLUDE "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" arr. Berry

Join us Sundays at 10:00 a.m. during Lent. Maundy Thursday April 2 at 7:00 p.m. And
Easter Sunday April 5 at 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service outside
and 10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary.