

Blessing the Dust

Ash Wednesday

Warch 2, 2022

Words of Welcome

Prelude

A bide With Me arr. Howard Helvey/adapted J.Moore Mark Vandersall, Clarinet; Mina Choi, Piano

Call to Worship

-from Hymn 415 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;

Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.

I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms. In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms. Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he require h is to feel your need of him.

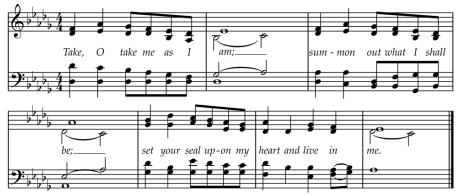
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Litany of Penitence

From The Book of Common Worship

7:30 p.m.

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.



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.

*Sung Response

We have not listened 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.

*Sung Response

We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness; the pride, the hypocrisy and impatience in our lives.

*Sung Response

For our self-indulgent appetites and ways. For our exploration of other people. Our anger at our own frustration and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves. Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts and our dishonesty in daily life and work.

*Sung Response

We have neglected prayer and worship and failed to commend the faith that is in us. *Sung Response

Accept our repentance O God, for all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts towards our neighbors and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us. For our waste and pollution of your creation and our lack of concern for those who come after us. Accept our repentance O God, for the wrongs we have done. For our neglect of human need and suffering and our indifference to injustice and cruelty. Restore us O God, and let your anger depart from us. Favorably hear us, O God, for your mercy is great... through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

(Silence)

First Scripture Lesson: Luke 19:37-40 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Reflection

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Special Music

Träumerei Mark Vandersall, Clarinet; Mina Choi, Organ

"Stones"

Second Scripture Lesson: Luke 8:40-48

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Becca Bateman

Imposition of Ashes

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be for us a sign of our mortality and penitence, and a reminder that only by your gracious gift are we given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

(The congregation is invited to come forward to receive the imposition of ashes. You are invited to receive the ashes on the forehead or the back of your hand.)

Special Music	You Make Beautiful Things Mina Choi, Piano and Vocal	Gungor
*Hymn 433	Sign Us with Ashes verses 2, 3, and 4	PHOENIX
*Concluding Prayer		

Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation, that we may show forth your glory in the world. By the cross and passion of our Savior, bring us with all your saints to the joy of Christ's resurrection.

Depart in Silence

(You are invited to take stones from the baskets at the doorways.)

R. Schumann

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 83

Pauline Sexton

"Ashes"

Will You Meet Us - A Blessing for Ash Wednesday by Jan Richardson

Will you meet us in the ashes will you meet us in the ache and show your face within our sorrow and offer us your word of grace:

That you are life within the dying that you abide within the dust that you are what survives the burning that you arise to make us new. And in our aching

you are breathing and in our weeping you are here within the hands that bear your blessing enfolding us within your love.

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