



ASH WEDNESDAY

March 2, 2022
12:00 PM & 7:00 PM

GATHERING MUSIC *Wondrous Love*

CALL TO WORSHIP...PSALM 51:1-2, 10-12 (NRSV)

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

**All: according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.**

Leader: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

**All: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.**

Leader: Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your Holy Spirit from me.

**All: Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

#325 vs 1-3 *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

1 I want Jesus to walk with me;
I want Jesus to walk with me;
all along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me;
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;
when my heart is almost breaking,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
when my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

LITANY OF HONESTY

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence for Reflection)

Pastor: Most holy and merciful God,

**All: we confess to you and to one another,
and before the whole company of heaven,
that we have sinned by our fault,
by our own fault,
by our own most grievous fault,
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

Pastor: 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.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: We have shut our ears 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.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: Our past unfaithfulness, the pride, envy, hypocrisy, and apathy that have infected our lives, we confess to you.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people, we confess to you.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to share the faith that is in us, we confess to you.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: Our neglect of human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty, we confess to you.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: Our false judgments, our uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us, we confess to you.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: Our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us, we confess to you.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

Pastor: Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.

All: Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

If you desire to receive ashes, please come forward.

The pastors will apply ashes to your forehead and speak the words:

“Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return.”

SONG OF RESPONSE

#666 vs 1-4

What Wondrous Love Is This

1 What wondrous love is this,

O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this
that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse
for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

2 When I was sinking down,
sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down
beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown
for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

3 To God and to the Lamb
I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb,
who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme,
I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

4 And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free,
I'll sing God's love for me,
and through eternity
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and through eternity I'll sing on.

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING...JOEL 2:12-13 (NRSV)

Read by: Megan Getman (12:00 PM) , Jennifer Arndt (7:00 PM)

Yet even now, says the Lord,
return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
rend your hearts and not your clothing.
Return to the Lord, your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love,
and relents from punishing.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING...MATTHEW 6:1-6, 16-21 (NRSV)

Read by: Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner

Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.
'So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.
'And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever 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.
'And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF RESPONSE

#334 vs 1-3 ***Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery***

1 Tree of Life and awesome myst'ry,
in your death we are reborn;
though you die in all of hist'ry,
still you rise with ev'ry morn,
still you rise with ev'ry morn.

2 We remember truth once spoken,
love passed on through act and word;
ev'ry person lost and broken
wears the body of our Lord,
wears the body of our Lord.

3 Christ, you lead and we shall follow,
stumbling though our steps may be;
one with you in joy and sorrow,
we the river, you the sea,
we the river, you the sea.

MESSAGE Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner

MESSAGE SONG

#324 vs 1-4 ***In the Cross of Christ I Glory***

1 In the cross of Christ I glory,
tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me,
hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me;
lo, it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming
light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming
adds more luster to the day.

4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure,
joys that through all time abide.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by: Megan Getman (12:00 PM) , Jennifer Arndt (7:00 PM)

LENT/EASTER THANK OFFERING

Our Mid-Week Worship in Lent and our special Easter Sunday offering has been designated to support ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS) .

Giving can be done on the website
shephills.org/give , or
under Giving on onrealm.org , or
by check or cash. Please indicate Lent Offering.



PRAYER OF THANKS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
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.

COMMUNION INVITATION

*As we celebrate this sacrament, all are invited to receive the Risen
presence of Jesus.*

*God is really present—in bread and wine—forgiving sins and
promising new life.*

Bread/wafer— “The body of Christ given for you”;

Wine— “The blood of Christ shed for you.”

COMMUNION MUSIC

COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

COMMISSIONING SONG #336 vs 1-3 *Lamb of God*

Your only Son no sin to hide
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God

Refrain

Oh Lamb of God, Sweet lamb of God
I love the Holy Lamb of God
Oh wash me in His precious Blood
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

Your gift of love they crucified
They laughed and scorned Him as he died
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God *Refrain*

I was so lost I should have died
But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod
And to be call a lamb of God *Refrain*

***COMMISSIONING**

Leader: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
be of good courage;
hold fast to that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honor all people;
love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the
Holy Spirit.

All: Thanks be to God...and we will.

PRAYERS

Please pray for Don Gaskin, Don Knight, Marie Fortune, Glenn Richter
and Betty Lueders

Please pray for family and friends of Shepherd members:

David Lechler, Brother of Dawn Paulson

Walter DeBill, Husband of Stacia DeBill

Kenna Joy Kramer, Grandniece of Weldon and

Mary Allison

Lori Roth, Sister of Sandy Smith

Please pray in thanksgiving for the birth of Isla Ryan Powell, daughter of Thomas Ryan and Megan Powell and, granddaughter of Ted and Corky Powell!

We pray for the people of our country and world as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. Grant healing to those afflicted, strength to those who care for the sick, and wisdom to those who lead.

We pray for the people of Ukraine and all who find themselves in the midst of war, gripped by fear and uncertainty. Send your peace. Send your wisdom to leaders of the world as they grapple with deep disagreements and tensions. May we be ever aware of your beloved people all around the world who suffer and who cry out for help. Send us as proclaimers of your love.

We pray for our global ministry partners: Rev. Karen Castillo in Guatemala; Iglesia Luterana Augustina Virgen del Rosario, Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala. We pray for Malcolm and Joy Henderson and the ministry of CHARIS in Haiti.

Please pray for our local ministries: Mariposa Family Learning Center, Bread For All and Upbring Ministries.

Please pray for our faith community, that we may be a church without walls and live out loud...faithfully!

**Prayers for family and friends are listed for 2 weeks,
unless we are notified otherwise.*

WORSHIP TEAM

Pastors	Pr. Tom Grevlos, Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
Preaching Pastor	Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
Director of Worship/Arts	Kevin McClure
Organist/Pianist	(12PM) Carter Leer
Altar Steward	(12PM) Mark and Kathy Gerhardt (7 PM) Mary and Weldon Allison
Assisting Minister	(12 PM) Megan Getman; (7 PM) Jennifer Arndt
AV	(12 PM) Bill Dawson and Dave Wegner; (7 PM) Bill Dawson, Dave Wegner and Peter Forsberg
Hosts	(12PM) Nancy and Denny Etzler
Admin Ministry Coordinator	Amanda Forsberg
Campus Operations	Dave Wegner
Creative Media	Dabney Gomes
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HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

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