

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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Ash Wednesday
March 2, 2022 | 7:00 PM

*A “+” indicates all are invited to stand in either body or spirit.
Reminders: Our worship service is being livestreamed and is on Zoom.*

WELCOME

+OPENING RESPONSES

One: Let us approach God with heads bowed in sorrow and awe.

All: From dust we came, to dust we will return.

One: Yet we belong to God.

All: We gather in penitence; we gather in confidence.

One: God will accept us.

All: On this night, and at every moment of our lives.

One: We belong to God.

ENTER THE PASSION

Soloist

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Genesis 17b-19 & Esther 4:1

+PSALM OF PENITENCE (*Psalms 51:10-15*)

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

B: *Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.*

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

B: *Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.*

A: Deliver me from bloodshed, O God,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

**All: O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

selected verses from Matthew
(NRSV & Message)

+DUST AND ASHES: [SEE INSERT](#)

INVITATION TO COME FORWARD

+WORDS OF RECONCILIATION AND PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: You are forgiven and freed, encouraged and loved
by a God who wants you to live fully.
So let us enter the passion of Christ,
and pass the peace of Christ with each other,
saying "Peace be with you."

+SUNG RESPONSE: TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

1. O soul, are you wea - ry and trou - bled? No light in the dark - ness you see?
There's light for a look at the Sav - ior, And life more a - bun - dant and free.
Chorus
(C) Turn your eyes up - on Je - sus, Look full in His won - der - ful face,
And the things of earth will grow strange - ly dim, In the light of His glo - ry and grace.

1. O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free.

refrain:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in his wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of his glory and grace.

2. Through death into life everlasting
He passed, and we follow Him there;
O'er us sin no more hath dominion
For more than conquerors we are! (*refrain*)
3. His Word shall not fail you, He promised;
Believe Him and all will be well;
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell! (*refrain*)

+BENEDICTION

Enter
Enter the story
Enter the place you belong
Not just looking on
For this is *your* story
Enter the story

*We gather in grace, we grow in grace, we go in grace...
The journey continues in an ever-widening circle of grace.*



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