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Mission Statement: Growing Faith, Sharing Hope, Living Love!

## March 5, 2025 Ash Wednesday Worship Service 7:00 p.m.

Enter expectantly, pray reverently, greet each other warmly, listen thoughtfully, sing joyfully, and leave faithfully.

Chief Elder and Head of the Church: Jesus Christ Pastors: Rev. Mark V. Breland, Rev. Sayward E. G. Lippincott Director of Music Ministries: Dr. Jeffrey S. Gemmell Trombone Choir & Handbell Choir Director: Marilyn Winfield Children's Ministry Coordinator: Allyson Miller Lay Ministry Assistant: Greg Bomberger Office Manager: Courtney Hackman Administrative Assistant: Jaime Weik Sexton: Josh Bailey Custodian and Security: Dan Turnbull Treasurer: Barbara McKenney Financial Secretary: Mary Sweger Ministers: All Members of the Congregation **In Preparation for Worship:** *Gracious God, in this new season of repentance, restore unto us the joy of our salvation, and strengthen us to face our mortality through confidence in the suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.* 

## Prelude

Words of Welcome

Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it through the pew\*Hymn: 341Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days\*Responsive Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness: (Pastor / Congregation)In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.Amen.

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#### Unto the Lord with broken hearts return. Turn from your sins, and true repentance learn. Grace and compassion flow from heav'n above, For God is slow to anger, filled with love.

As the sacred season of Lent begins and we consider the ashes before us, a smudge on our outward appearance and a solemn reminder of our mortality, let us make confession of our sins.

#### We are dust; to dust we shall return.

(Be seated for silent self-examination and confession)

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.

#### We are dust; to dust we shall return.

You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.

## We are dust; to dust we shall return.

You shall live together as those who bear the Name of the One by whom all families on earth are named.

## We are dust; to dust we shall return.

You shall not commit murder, adultery, robbery or slander.

## We are dust; to dust we shall return.

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

## We are dust; to dust we shall return.

Be content with what you have for the Lord has promised never to leave you or forsake you.

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#### Create in me a heart made clean from sin. A steadfast spirit, Lord, renew within. Your Holy Spirit ne'er remove from me, But in Your saving joy, Lord, make me free.

Since Jesus Christ came into the world to share our dust and taste of death for all of us, may our heavenly Father grant us true repentance and the Holy Spirit's help to persevere in faith.

#### Amen.

As Christ was raised from death by the glory of God the Father, may we too walk in newness of life.

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#### Here we behold the dust from which we came; We shall return at last unto the same. Look we to Christ, who chose our dust to share, Our life and resurrection to prepare.

Choir Anthem: Lead Me, Lord

Lead Me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness, make Thy way plain before my face. For it is Thou, Lord, Thou Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety. Psalms 5:8; 4:9

**Scripture:** Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 **Meditation:** *Preparing for the Best* 

**The Lord's Prayer in Unison:** 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. And 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.

Imposition of Ashes (*in silence*) \*Hymn: 331 \*Benediction \*Postlude

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Pastor Mark Breland

S.S. Wesley

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary



# Lenten Calendar

Lenten Suppers: 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall followed by Lenten Study Services at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

As we walk together through the season of Lent, you're invited to an evening of fellowship, reflection, and nourishment—both for the body and the soul.

Starting Wednesday, March 12th, at 6:00 PM, and continuing every Wednesday during Lent, we will gather for a Lenten meal and study. Come enjoy a warm meal, uplifting conversation, and a time of deepening our faith as we prepare our hearts for Easter.

Whether you come hungry for food and spiritual growth, there's a place for you at the table. Bring a friend, bring your questions, and let's journey together.

March 12: Capernaum: Following Jesus When You DoubtMarch 19: Sea of Galilee: Following Jesus in Your StormsMarch 26: Mount of Beatitudes: Following Jesus When You WorryApril 2: Temple Steps: Following Jesus ... And Only JesusApril 9: Garden Tomb: Following Jesus When You Need Hope

# All are welcome—come as you are!