

Burns United Methodist Church Ash Wednesday

March 5th 2025

Prelude – a time of meditation and preparation.

Words of gathering and invocation

One: May the Grace and Peace of the Lord be among us and with us tonight.

All: Come Lord; favor us with Your holy presence.

One: We gather tonight seeking a prayerful connection with our Lord God, through the intercession of Jesus Christ and with the Holy Spirit to guide us.

All: In this gathering we seek Divine Guidance to begin our journey through the holy season of Lent.

One: Lord, hear our confessions and grant us forgiveness.

All: We come prepared to begin a routine of introspection and prayer as we journey to Easter.

One: We come seeking Your guidance for us; for humanity.

All; Almighty Loving Lord, join us.

* Hymn Have Thine Own Way Lord Hymnal #382

Scripture Isaiah 58:5-10 *Pew Bible O.T. #647*

One: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Reflection and Confession:

One: Have mercy on us, O God, hear our prayers.

All: According to Your steadfast love and mercy, blot out our transgressions.

Wash away our iniquity; cleanse us from our sin.

One: We know our transgressions and sins are ever before us.

All: Create in us clean hearts O God and put a new and right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation

and sustain in us willing spirits.

One: Lord, You have called us to be Christians in this world.

All: We confess that we have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, we have rebelled against Your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

One: Lord, forgive your people. **All: Lord, forgive us; we pray.**

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn What Wondrous Love Hymn # 292

* Scripture Matthew 6:19-21 Pew Bible N.T. #6

One: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Homily Treasure Pastor Peter

Anthem It Is Well With My Soul Ensemble

Prayer of Commitment

Rev. Peter Freytag

One: Lord God, from the dust of the earth You have created us.

All: Grant us Your attention as we come in repentance with our determination to walk a more faithful journey.

One: Almighty God, You have created us out of the dust of the earth. We bring Palm Sunday palms, now ashes; with a request that You bless them as symbols of Your Almighty forgiveness and redemption.

All: We are Yours Lord. Guide us to follow more closely each day in the footsteps of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Imposition of Ashes

Benediction

* Please stand if you are able

Burns Memorial United Methodist Church

Mission Statement: "As Burns Memorial United Methodist Church, we believe that God loves ALL PEOPLE, and as disciples of Jesus Christ, we strive to share God's love through our words and actions."

Everyone is welcome and invited to receive the imposition of Ashes.

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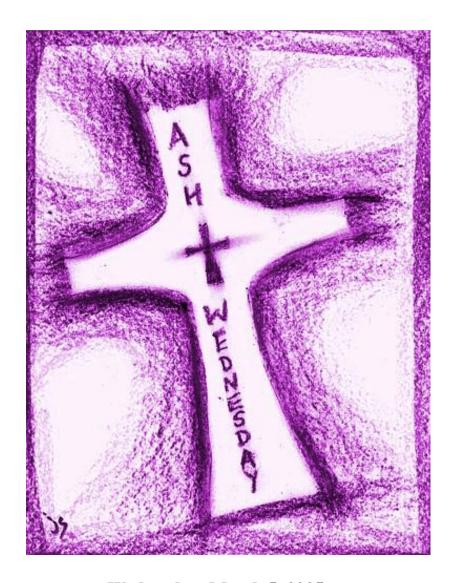
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