

March 2, 2022

7:00 pm

**ASH**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

*Give Me Jesus*

Hayes

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Joel 2:1, 12–13

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.

**Let us turn back to the LORD together.**

†HYMN

*There Is a Longing in Our Hearts*

Hymnal 470

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalms 51

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

according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

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

**For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop\*, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

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

Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

**O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.** (Silent Confession)

**ANTHEM**

*Call Me Home*  
*Chancel Choir*

Lantz

**SCRIPTURE**

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

**MEDITATION**

“Close at Hand”

Rev. Dr. Dave Burgess

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**IMPOSITION OF ASHES**

(Please come forward as you are able to receive ashes)

**†HYMN**

**What Wondrous Love Is This Hymnal #215**

**†BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Diapason Movement*

Green

\*The Psalmist, David, is not referring to physical cleansing; rather, he is asking God to cleanse him spiritually as he confesses his sin.



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