

CUP EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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“Join us for a drink of Living Water”



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Ash Wednesday

Lay siege to your sins, and starve them out by keeping away the food and fuel which is their maintenance and life.

~Richard Baxter

Preparation in Silence

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

‘Behold the Lamb’

~Rambo

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Father God, you are full of compassion.

People: As we enter this season of Lent, allow your Spirit to lead us more and more into our awareness of our need for Jesus Christ our Savior.

Leader: May we turn away from our sinful habits regularly and genuinely,

People: Let us resist temptations great and small,

All: and remember with confidence that You have conquered sin, hell and death.

***Hymn No. 206**

‘There Is A Redeemer’

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

(in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name . . . (silent prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

***Creed**

The Nicene Creed (325 A.D.)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Scripture

1 John 1:5-9

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Communion Meditation

'Life Together in the Light'

Rev. Scott Graham

***Communion Hymn No. 29** *'Glorify Thy Name'*

Communion

Pastoral Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

(Rev. Graham will lead in the Lord's Supper, and we will receive the elements using the prepared bread and juice offered upon entering the sanctuary. For those who wish, please proceed to the center aisles for the imposition of ashes. Ashes will be offered on the forehead or wrist, using a Q-tip due to COVID concerns. We invite you to exit the sanctuary in silence.)