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March 5, 2025 7:00 pm ~~ Ash Wednesday ~~

# Ash Wednesday Greeting

Rev. Keith Tamlyn



### Prelude

# The Call to Worship

Elder and VP Roger Eddy / Congregation

Deep echoes of the soul, Voices of silence,

Inner nudges, Persistent longing.

It is the call of God, The pull of Lent,

The season of reflection, The yearning for springtime joy,

All: The thirst for living water,
The desire for new life.

Opening Hymn: "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

### Salutation

Rev. Keith Tamlyn

### The Call to Confession

Elder Roger Eddy

# **Prayer of Confession**

O God who sees all things, who knows our needs before we ask; we admit today that you also know our failures even before we admit them to ourselves. But we admit them now. Instead of loving others as we love ourselves, we have only loved ourselves. Instead of walking in the light as you are in the light, we have shunned the light and reveled in the darkness. Instead of sharing our bread with the hungry, we have spent our meager resources trying to fill hungers that should not be fed and cannot be filled.

O God of mercy, forgive us and heal us. Draw us away from our pursuits of self-indulgence and teach us the way of self-giving. Push us out of the dark and into the light. And set our feet on a path that leads to a life that means something more than the accumulation of goods. Amen.

Words of Assurance
Elder Roger Eddy

The Law Elder Roger Eddy

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21

# This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# The Message

"Giving Love Before Receiving It" Rev. Keith Tamlyn

Sermon Hymn: "Out of the Depths" (vs 1,3)#465



### The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

All who have been baptized, and who believe that Jesus is our Lord and Savior, are welcome to this table, regardless of church membership or affiliation.

We use bread as a symbol of the body of Christ.

We use grape juice as a symbol of the blood of Christ

#### \*THE INVITATION:

Let us journey with Jesus as we begin the season of Lent. Before we do so however, it is good to confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed.

### \* The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Communion Hymn: "Here, O My Lord, I See You" #783

On the way to the cross, Jesus invited his disciples to sit with him at the table and share the Passover meal. He invites us now to that same table.

#### Come to this table:

You who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this sacrament often, and you who have not been here for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed.

Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here. Come. The table is set and the meal is prepared.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Breaking of the Bread
The Blessing of the Cup

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Heavenly Father, we give you everlasting praise and thanks that you have given us so great a benefit – that you have drawn us into the communion of your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, whom you surrendered to death for us and whom you give to us as food and nourishment for eternal life.

Prayer Hymn: "What A Friend We Have in Jesus" # 622 (v. 2)

Prayers of Thanksgiving and the 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.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Sending Hymn: "The Solid Rock" (vs 1,4) #517

Benediction Postlude