# St. Philip's Church

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# ASH WEDNESDAY

Penitential Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes February 22, 2023 • 6:00 p.m.



# WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest,

to all who mourn and long for comfort,

to all who struggle and desire victory,

to all who sin and need a Savior,

to all who are strangers and want fellowship,

to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness,

to all who have been blessed and wish to give thanks,
and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors
and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Restrooms are available** in the Parish House, located at the corner of Church and Cumberland Streets. A greeter or usher will be happy to direct you.

**Headsets for the hard of hearing** are available in the sound booth by the double doors at the end of the center aisle.

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# PENITENTIAL EUCHARIST WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Attende Domine

Jeanne Demessieux (1921-1968)

THE INTROIT

Turn Thy Face from My Sins

Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

Turn thy face from my sins, and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

Text: Psalm 51:9-11. Music: Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

#### THE WORD OF GOD

The clergy enters in silence. The liturgy begins with the Salutation.

The people standing, the celebrant says

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth forever.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people kneel.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

The people sit for the reading of God's Word.

#### THE LESSON

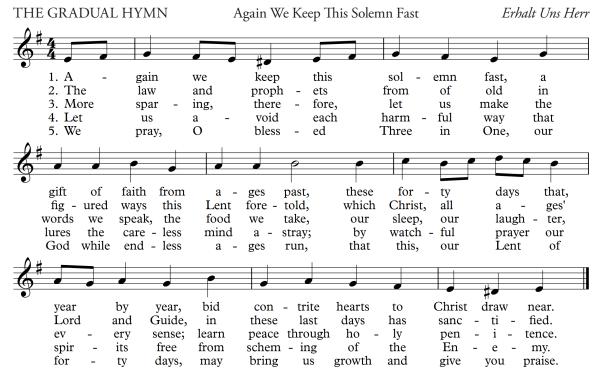
2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10

<sup>20</sup> Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. <sup>6:1</sup> Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup> For he says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. <sup>3</sup> We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup> but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup> beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup> by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; <sup>7</sup> by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup> through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup> as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup> as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand and sing the hymn.



Text: attr. St. Gregory the Great (c. 540-604), tr. Peter Scagnelli (b. 1949), after John Mason Neale (1818-1866) Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

THE GOSPEL Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

The people stand. The priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

# People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, <sup>1</sup> "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. <sup>2</sup> Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup> But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup> so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>5</sup> And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup> But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>16</sup> When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

<sup>17</sup> But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup> that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>19</sup> Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup> but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

After the Gospel, the priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE HOMILY

Reward if Found

The Rev. Andrew R. O'Dell

#### INVITATION TO A HOLY LENT

All stand. The celebrant invites the people to the observance of a holy Lent, saying

Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is then kept for a time, all kneeling.

#### THE BLESSING OF THE ASHES

The celebrant says the following prayer

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, that we may remember that it is only by your gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.* 

At this time, those desiring imposition of ashes may come forward and kneel at the altar rail. Please follow the directions of the ushers.

#### PSALM 51

All kneeling, the Psalm is read responsively by whole verse

- <sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- <sup>2</sup> Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.
- <sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
- <sup>4</sup> Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

- <sup>5</sup> And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.
- <sup>6</sup> Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother's womb.
- <sup>7</sup> For behold, you look for truth deep within me, and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- <sup>8</sup> Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- <sup>11</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
- <sup>12</sup> Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- <sup>13</sup> Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
- <sup>14</sup> I shall teach your ways to the wicked, and sinners shall return to you.
- <sup>15</sup> Deliver me from death, O God, and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my salvation.
- <sup>16</sup> Open my lips, O Lord,

and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The Had you desired it I would have offered sacrific

- <sup>17</sup> Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice; but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.
- <sup>18</sup> The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

#### A LITANY OF PENITENCE

The celebrant and people together

Most holy and merciful Father: We confess to thee and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

The celebrant continues

We have not loved thee with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

# Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

We have been deaf to thy call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved thy Holy Spirit.

# Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

We confess unto thee, O Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives, *We confess to thee, O Lord.* 

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,

We confess to thee, O Lord.

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves, *We confess to thee, O Lord.* 

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work, *We confess to thee, O Lord.* 

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us, *We confess to thee, O Lord.* 

Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

# Accept our repentance, O Lord.

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

# Accept our repentance, O Lord.

For our waste and pollution of thy creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us, *Accept our repentance, O Lord.* 

Restore us, good Lord, and let thine anger depart from us;

Favorably hear us, for thy mercy is great.

Accomplish in us the work of thy salvation,

That we may show forth thy glory in the world.

By the cross and passion of thy Son our Lord,

Bring us with all thy saints to the joy of his resurrection.

The priest stands and, facing the people, says

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, hath given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

#### THE PEACE

All stand.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### CHORAL OFFERING

O For a Closer Walk with God Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924)

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame;

A light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return! Sweet messenger of rest;

I hate the sins that made thee mourn and drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame;

So purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

Text: William Cowper (1731-1800). Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

### DOXOLOGY, HYMN 189 (s. 1) And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love

Unde et Memores

And now, O Father, mindful of the love that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree, And having with us him that pleads above, we here present, we here spread forth to thee,

That only offring perfect in thine eyes, the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Words: The Rev. William Bright (1874). Tune: Unde et Memores, Public Domain.

The celebrant faces the people and says

All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

# THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS, HYMN 796

J. Merbecke, 1549

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel, and the celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

# People and Celebrant

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

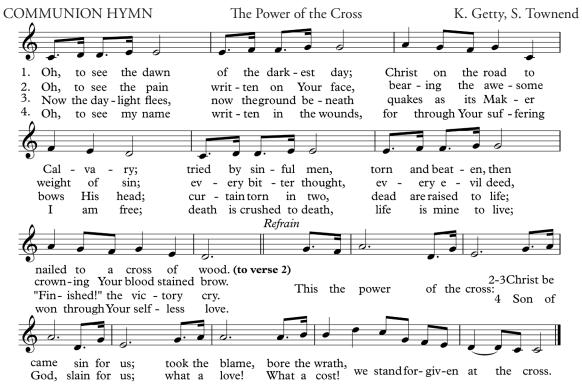
#### THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

### People and Celebrant

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

#### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive communion at the high altar or the standing stations in either one kind (bread only) or both kinds (bread and wine). You may stand or kneel to receive Communion. To receive the bread in the traditional way, please place your right palm over your left and the bread will be placed in your palm. You may consume the bread and drink from the chalice (please grasp the bottom of the chalice firmly and guide it to your mouth), or you may leave the bread in your palm and then dip it into the wine when the chalice is brought to you. Those who are not baptized or do not wish to receive Communion (including children who do not yet receive) are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.



#### **COMMUNION HYMN 572**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Maryton

O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; Tell me thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love; Teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company, In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broad'ning way, In peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

Words: Washington Gladde, 1879. Music: *Maryton*, H. Percy Smith, 1874.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN 567**

Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us

Dulce Carmen

Lead us, heav'nly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; Yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us: all our weakness thou dost know; Thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; Lone and dreary, faint and weary, thro' the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heav'nly joy, Love with ev'ry passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: Thus provided, pardon'd, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

Text: James Edmeston, 1821.

Music: An Essay on the Church Plain Chant, 1782

#### THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Kneeling, the people join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy ever lasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

Deus Tuorum Militum

Exceeding great is the reward, to such who strive to serve the Lord; Who persevere and still endure, to war with sin and Satan's power.

Their sufferings, conflicts, war, and strife will fit them for a better life: Such happiness they never knew, shall then be open to their view.

In yonder world shall be revealed, the life of God in Christ concealed, Such glories as no one can paint, shall be revealed in every saint.

All acts of love the Christian wrought, such as the world regarded not, The Lord will cause them to appear, and show that such had served him here.

Eye hath not seen, nor ear yet heard, what treasures Jesus has prepared; For those who love him with their heart, with him they have their lot and part.

Text: 19th-century hymn. Author unknown

Music: Deus Tuorum Militum, from Antiphoner, 1753; adapt. The English Hymnal, 1906

The clergy and people depart in silence.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten, BWV 642 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

Please join us for a light supper in the Parish Hall.



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The Rev. Andrew R. O'Dell

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Bill Warlick

#### Lector

Martha Vetter

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