

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

HYMN #339

DISMISSAL

Leader: Because the world is poor and starving,

People: We go with bread.

Leader: Because the world is filled with fear,

People: We go with courage.

Leader: Because the world is in despair

People: We go with hope.

Leader: Because the world is sick with sorrow,

People: We go with joy.

Leader: Because the world is weary of wars,

People: We go with peace.

Leader: Because the world is seldom fair,

People: We go with justice.

Leader: Because the world is under judgment,

People: We go with mercy.

Leader: Because the world will die without it,

People: We go with love.

Leader: The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

AMEN.

Be Thou My Vision

First Presbyterian Church

March 5, 2025

Ash Wednesday Service

6:30p.m



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PRELUDE **"Feed My Lambs"** by Natalie Sleeth, Mack Williams, baritone
Kayla Stork & Charlotte Garrett, flute

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Friends, as a community of faith, let us remember.

People: Let us remember Jesus' forty days in the wilderness.

Leader: Let us remember His call to take up our cross.

People: Let us remember His life, sufferings, and death for us.

Leader: Let us remember we have been called to be His faithful disciples.

People: Let us remember and respond with profound gratitude.

Leader: Let us joyfully worship God!

***HYMN # 383** **My Faith Looks Up to Thee**

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Leader: O God who created all things and made humankind in Your image,

People: Have mercy upon us, for forgetting and neglecting the divine image within us.

Leader: From deadly sins of the soul; from pride and wrath; from envy and avarice; from gluttony, lust and sloth;

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: From lying and slander, from dishonesty and unfaithfulness, from cruelty and injustice; from harsh judgments and unwillingness to forgive,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: From lack of concern for the wrongs and evils of the world; from lack of sympathy with suffering; from withholding of love to others,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: From selfishness and meanness; from false ambitions and unholy desires; from cowardice and the fear of truth,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: From impenitence, and rebellion against Thy will; from indifference to spiritual things; from quenching of the Spirit,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: Grant to us grace, Lord, that we may grow in love, joy and peace; in long suffering, kindness and goodness.

People: Grant us your grace, good Lord.

Leader: That we may deal justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God; that we may care for the fatherless and the widow and keep ourselves unspotted from the world,

People: Grant us your grace, good Lord.

Leader: That we may deny ourselves, take up our cross and follow You, that we may witness a good confession, fight the good fight of faith, lay hold of eternal life,

People: Grant us your grace, good Lord.

Leader: Almighty God, have mercy upon us. Perform Your great work of grace in us, to the end that our lives may give witness of your Holy Reality and our deeds may glorify You in the world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray.

ALL: Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (Sung)

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound! That saved a wretch like me I once was lost, but now
am found, Was blind, but now I see.*

ANTHEM “Change My Heart, O God” by Eddie Espinosa

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON (405/424) Psalm 51: 1-17

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON (831/873) Philippians 1: 20-21

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON (1/1) Genesis 1:1

HOMILY Jackson Weller

HYMN #78 **Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed**

CALL TO GENEROSITY—OFFERING DESIGNATION

OFFERTORY “Just as I Am” W. Bradbury/C. Callahan

