

Closing Song #814 *In God Alone*

In God a - lone my soul
can find rest and peace,
in God my peace and joy.

On - ly in God my soul
can find its rest,
find its rest and peace.

• Thank you to musicians **Rick Murphy**, piano, and **Trenna Thomas**, flute, for participating in our Ash Wednesday Service.

• Join us this Sunday, March 9, for **Second Sunday Brunch** immediately following our 9 AM worship service. Brunch is free as is the fellowship. Remember to “spring” ahead one hour this weekend!

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Welcome to worship!

When you enter the worship space,
please be mindful of the silent prayers
of those around you.

Prelude

Welcome and Explanation of the Service

Scripture *Isaiah 58:1-12*

Song #90 *Wait for the Lord*

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord; be strong; take heart!

Scripture *2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10*

Song #204 *Stay With Me*

Stay with me; re-main here with me;
watch and pray. Watch and pray.

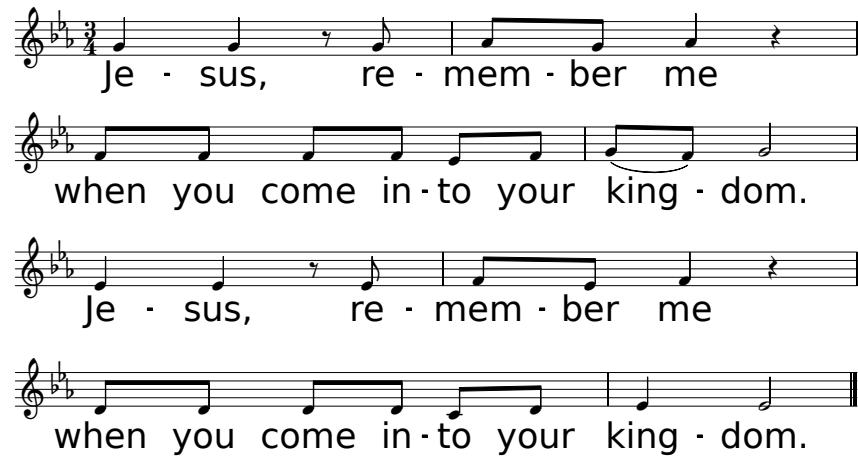
Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Time for Silent Reflection

Song #227 *Jesus, Remember Me*



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me
when you come in - to your king - dom.
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Assurance of Pardon (by Marcia McFee)

You are forgiven and freed, encouraged and loved by a God who wants you to live fully. So let us enter the passion of Christ, full of the peace of Christ.
Peace be with you.

Imposition of Ashes

Song #471 *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*



O Lord, hear my prayer.
O Lord, hear my prayer.
When I call, an - swer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer.
O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come and lis - ten to me.

Scripture *Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21*