

GATHERING MUSIC Carol Kirchmer

INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF LENTEN DISCIPLINES

HYMN **“Take Time to Be Holy”** 395 Red Hymnal

SCRIPTURE Joel 2:12-13, 15-16

HYMN **“Depth of Mercy”** 355 Red Hymnal
verses 1,2,5

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 5:16 to 6:11

MESSAGE **“How is it With Your Soul?”** Pastor Ron Kite

HYMN **“It Is Well with My Soul”** 377 Red Hymnal
verses 1,2,3

CONFESSION *Psalm 51* 785 Red Hymnal

HYMN **“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”** 402 Red Hymnal

THANKSGIVING OVER THE ASHES
You may choose whether to participate in the imposition of ashes.

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

HYMN **“Depth of Mercy”** 355 Red Hymnal
verses 3,4

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Pastor Ron Kite
You may leave in reflective silence. Feel free to continue in prayer following the service as long as you wish.

DEPARTING MUSIC Carol Kirchmer

Salem at Worship

Ash wednesday

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The early Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church that before the Easter celebration there should be a forty-day season of spiritual preparation. During this season converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when persons who had committed serious sins and had separated themselves from the community of faith were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to participation in the life of the Church. In this way the whole congregation was reminded of the mercy and the forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ and the need we all have to renew our faith. I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to observe a holy Lent: by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting and self-denial; and by reading and meditation on God's Holy Word.



March 1, 2017
6:30 PM

9:00 am Sunday School
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10:00 am Worship Service
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If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join our church family by talking with Pastor Ron at the church office, 283-3620.