

Ash  
— WEDNESDAY —

*Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.*

PSALM 51:10



## Lamb of God Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Ash Wednesday 12 pm & 7:15 pm Worship Service February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Welcome to all who are joining us for worship this day, especially to any guests who are among us.

We are so glad you are here and want to get to know you!

Please fill out our online [Record of Attendance](#) by scanning the QR code

If you wish to join or to have a Pastor call, please indicate that in the online form as well.

***As you enter the Sanctuary...***

*Before the service, Speak to God; During the service, Let God Speak to You; After the service, Speak to One another*

**If you are a Guest visiting with us this morning...**

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- If you want to know more about us, talk to an usher, an elder, or visit our **Information Desk** in the Atrium and take home a **Visitor Welcome Bag**. You'll also find info about our **Sunday School** and/or **Adult Bible classes** there.
- For assistance, please ask an usher at the entrance of the Sanctuary.

**To the Parents of Our Young Children, May We Suggest...**

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- Relax! God put the 'wiggles' in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's House. This house of worship is their HOME. There's **Children Worship Bags** for the kids in the back of Church, too.
  - Quietly explain the parts of the Service and actions of the Pastor, Ushers, the Choir, etc. to your children.
  - Sing the Hymns, Pray and Say the responses. Children learn Liturgical behavior by copying you.
  - If you have to leave the Service with your child, feel free to do so. We have a **Family Room** in back with sound and windows to allow you to worship while calming or feeding your children – but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me."
  - The way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to Church, to God and one another.
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## What We Believe About the Lord's Supper:

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- Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a “communion” - something done in “community” and a public confession of a “common union”.
- We believe in the real presence, that the body and blood of Jesus is truly present—in, with, and under the bread and wine (Matthew 26:26-29) and is not merely a symbolic representation.
- If there are communicant members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) or of congregations which are in altar and pulpit fellowship with the LCMS, such as The Lutheran Church – Canada (LCC), the Lutheran Synod of Mexico and The American Association of Lutheran Churches (AALC), we welcome them to come to the Altar to receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
- If there are members of other Christian denominations or those who have questions/doubts about the Sacrament, we also welcome them to come to the Altar, crossing their arms over their chest. Our Pastor will speak a blessing over those persons.
- Scripture teaches that Holy Communion is to be a confession of a common faith (1 Cor. 10:17; Acts 2:42) and that those who are unprepared may do themselves spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:23-32). We do not thereby presume to question another's faith in Christ but hold this historic position out of love for God's Word and in care for souls. Even as we try to respect the practices of other Christian denominations, so we ask others to please respect our practice.
- If there are those who wish to remain in their pews during Holy Communion, we ask that they join us in praying for the great day when all in Christ may be one, as He is with the Father (John 17:21). Any who would like to discuss this practice at more length may make an appointment with our Pastor to do so.

*The following prayer may be helpful during your time of self-examination: Lord, search my heart - Have mercy on me and forgive me all my sins. Thank You for the gift of Your son, Jesus Christ, whose body was broken, and blood was shed on the cross for me. As I come to Your Supper grant me faith to recognize the gifts You give to me in this sacrament – Your own body and blood for the forgiveness of my sins. Thank You for coming to me in this holy sacrament to forgive me and strengthen my faith in You. Amen.*

## Time of Silence and Personal Prayer

Welcome

### + PREPARATION +

*Please Stand*

#### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

#### Litany of Repentance (from Psalm 51:1-3, 10-12; antiphon: Psalm 51:17)

- P** The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart,  
O God, You will not despise.
- C** Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according  
to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me  
thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!
- P** The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart,  
O God, You will not despise.
- C** For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Create in  
me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
- P** The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart,  
O God, You will not despise.
- C** Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit  
from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with  
a willing spirit.



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
 2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -  
 3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
 out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
 tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -  
 From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
 Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
 make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.  
 will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.

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## Confession and Absolution

**P** Gracious Lord, ashes remind us of our human frailty and mortality. You are eternal, but we are limited in our days. Someday we will return to dust and ashes. You remind us of this in your Word:

**C** **Dust we are and to dust we shall return.** (*Genesis 3:19; Psalm 90:3*)

**P** Ashes speak of condemnation for sin. When Adam fell into sin, judgment and death came to all. Since we all are born into sin, we are marked for death and ashes.

**C** **Dust we are and to dust we shall return.**

**P** Ashes speak of our total dependence upon you, O God. We are but frail human beings who must rely upon you, dear Father. We think we are capable of taking care of ourselves and make our own plans for greatness. However, so often these plans fail and crumble into ashes.

**C** **Dust we are and to dust we shall return.**

**P** Ashes speak of our humiliation and repentance. As people in the Bible humbled themselves and expressed their repentance and mourning in the signs of sackcloth and ashes, we also humble ourselves before you, O God, as we ask you to forgive our sins through Jesus Christ, our Lord. As we repent, we put on dust and ashes.

**C** **Dust we are and to dust we shall return.**

**P** People of God, as we see the meaning of ashes and dust for us as Christians, we now make our earnest confession unto the Lord.

**C** **Almighty God, you have always warned your people against trusting in false gods. We are sinful and this nature has given birth to sinful deeds: things we have done and things we have left undone. We are but dust and ash of the ground and we deserve nothing more than to return to the dust. Though we deserve your stern judgment, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive and renew us. Amen.**

**P** You have heard the Word of the Lord, “Repent, and believe the gospel.” With these words, Jesus began his ministry and now directs us to make repentance and hear his good news. Therefore, as you have made repentance, now hear the gospel. I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, announce to you the grace of God. Your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”

LSB #435

(V4)

4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er  
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -  
deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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## Imposition of Ashes

**P** Almighty God, Your people from ages past put on sackcloth and ashes so that their inner penitence might take physical form. As we shape these ashes into the form of Your Son's cross, grant that they not only show our penitence but also our confident hope in Your forgiveness for His sake; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Please Be Seated*

*Worshippers are invited to come quietly to the front of the church and receive ashes on their forehead as a token of their repentance in the Lord. If you choose not to receive the ashes, you are invited to meditate quietly in your pew.*

*Please Stand*

**P** Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live. Therefore, we implore Him to grant us true repentance and His Holy Spirit, that those things may please Him which we do on this sacred night, that the rest of our life may be pure and holy, and that at the last we may come to His eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

Hymn

"On My Heart Imprint Your Image"

LSB #422



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev-er may Your work e-raise;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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### Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let Us Pray

**C** Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**A** Amen.

*Please Be Seated*

### Old Testament Reading

**Jonah 1:1-3**

*Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me." But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD.*

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle Reading

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

*We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. 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. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.*

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please Stand*

**Gospel Reading**

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

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*[Jesus said:] "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. "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. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "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. 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. . . . "And 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. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, 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. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?  
 2 If you can - not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,  
 3 If you can - not be a watch - man, Stand - ing high on Zi - on's wall,  
 4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth - ing I can do,"



Fields are white and har - vests wait - ing— Who will bear the sheaves a - way?"  
 You can tell the love of Je - sus, You can say He died for all.  
 Point - ing out the path to heav - en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all,  
 While the mul - ti - tudes are dy - ing And the Mas - ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; Rich re - ward He of - fers thee.  
 If you can - not rouse the wick - ed With the judg - ment's dread a - larms,  
 With your prayers and with your boun - ties You can do what God com - mands;  
 Take the task He gives you glad - ly, Let His work your plea - sure be;



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?"  
 You can lead the lit - tle chil - dren To the Sav - ior's wait - ing arms.  
 You can be like faith - ful Aar - on, Hold - ing up the proph - et's hands.  
 An - swer quick - ly when He call - eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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*Please Be Seated*

Sermon

Pastor Rance Settle

*Please Stand*

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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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<p><b>Offering Plate</b></p>	<p><b>Mail to Church Office</b>          1401 Cross Timbers Road          Flower Mound TX 75028</p>
<p><b>Give Online</b>  <a href="http://log.org/give">log.org/give</a>  </p>	<p><b>Text to Give</b>          (972) 440-2316  <a href="#">Instructions</a>  </p>
<p><b>Attendance</b>  </p>	<p>Please scan QR code to complete the  <a href="#">Record of Attendance</a></p>

Offertory Music

“Create in Me”

Mueller

*Please Stand*

**A** Thank You Lord for blessing us, so that we may be a blessing to others.

**Prayers of the Church**

**P** Onward in Christ’s footsteps treading, pilgrims here, our home above. Full of faith and hope and love. Let us do the Father’s bidding. And so we pray. Jesus, you will finally deliver us from every storm so we lift our prayers and raise our petitions to you.

**C** Lord, hear our prayer.

**P** Deliver us from pride and arrogance, lest we fail to acknowledge our sins and confess them.

**C** Lord, hear our prayer.

**P** Deliver the world from the enemies of peace and from injustice and give us good and faithful leaders to protect the unborn and promote virtue.

**C** Lord, hear our prayer.

**P** Deliver the erring from their darkness, the doubting from their uncertainty, and the wandering from their ways, and return them to you.

**C** Lord, hear our prayer.

**P** Deliver us from the terror of death and the grave.

**C** Lord, hear our prayer.

- P** Deliver us from selfish desire, from the tyranny of things, and from the wasteful use of the resources you have entrusted to our care.
- C** Lord, hear our prayer.
- P** Deliver us from ingratitude for all your mercies and restore our hearts to hope and joy.
- C** Lord, hear our prayer.
- P** Jesus, deliver us and bring us to the table of your body and blood.
- C** Jesus, let me faithful be, life eternal grant to me. Amen.
- P** These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord who has taught us to pray...
- C** 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 forever and ever. Amen.

### The Communion Confession

- P** The Lord's Supper is God's gift for Christians who are properly instructed. (1 Cor. 10:17; Act 2:42) In communing, we want people to receive Christ's body and blood for their good. (1 Cor. 11:23-32) This means that as you come to the Lord's Table you affirm with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord; and with Lutheran (LCMS) Christians you confess:
  - C** I recognize and confess that I am a sinner. I repent of my sin and ask God's forgiveness.
  - C** I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from sin, Satan and death.
  - C** I believe that the risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and, under the form of the bread and wine, I receive His true body and blood for the forgiveness of my sin and the strengthening of my faith and life. (Augsburg Confession – Article X)

**The Words of Our Lord** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,



Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.



All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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*Please Be Seated*

**Distribution of Holy Communion      Distribution, Meditation and Blessing**

*Please join us in singing as you prepare to come to the table.*

*Gluten free wafers are available in individually wrapped containers on request.*

*Grape juice is available in the center of the communion tray.*

*Please Stand*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** Blessed Savior, Jesus Christ, You have given Yourself to us in this holy Sacrament. Keep us in Your faith and favor that we may live in You even as You live in us. May Your body and blood preserve us in the true faith to life everlasting. Hear us for the sake of Your name.

**C** Amen.

**Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ grant you His peace.

**C** Amen.



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
 2 I need Thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.  
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.

- 5 I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;  
 Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.  
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
 I triumph still if Thou abide with me!
- 6 Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
 Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
 Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
 In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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*(You are invited to stay and meditate and pray, please leave quietly.)*

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