



Serving God and You Today

The Rev. J. William Lentz, Jr., Senior Pastor
The Rev. Nancy M. Ludwig, Assoc. Pastor
Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith, Director of Music
Charles de Mets, Organist

*Lehman Memorial
United Methodist Church*

*300 South York Road
Hatboro, PA*

lehmanumc.org

ASH WEDNESDAY



*March 6, 2019
12:00 Noon / 7:00 PM*

Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019

12:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday marks the first day of the liturgical season called Lent. As sunlight inches onward to overtake winter's darker days, so this 40-day period of time affords Christians an opportunity to examine the darker aspects lurking within the inner self, and to participate in disciplines meant to cleanse the heart and soul, and to prepare for a renewal of faith and commitment to Christ during the days of Holy Week and Easter. Each of the holy day's readings enjoins Christians to hear the call to avoid sin, to wash their souls clean with light and love, and to behave with grace, kindness, and compassion.

PRELUDE	<i>My Heart Is Filled With Longing</i> Charlie de Mets, Organist	J.S. Bach
CALL TO OBSERVE LENT		Pastor Nancy Ludwig
▲HYMN	<i>Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow</i>	No. 379
OPENING PRAYER	<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	No. 353
INTERLUDE (12:00)	<i>Bread of the World</i>	Martin
ANTHEM (7:00)	<i>A Prayer for Humility</i> Kids Chorus, Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith, Director	Patterson
FIRST READING	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	Pew Bible (OT), p. 846
SECOND READING	Isaiah 58:3-9a	Pew Bible (OT), p. 688
PSALTER (Response 1)	Psalm 51:1-17	No. 785

▲HYMN FOR ILLUMINATION	<i>Lead Me, Lord</i>	No. 473
▲GOSPEL READING	Luke 6:20-49	Pew Bible (NT), p. 64
HOMILY	<i>NO!</i>	Pastor Bill Lentz
INTERLUDE (12:00)	<i>Adagio</i>	Grieg
ANTHEM (7:00)	<i>Change My Heart, O God</i> Sanctuary Choir, Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith, Director	arr. Harlan
▲BLESSING AND IMPOSITION OF ASHES		
INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION		
RECEIVING THE LORD'S SUPPER		
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION		
▲HYMN	<i>Spirit of the Living God</i>	No. 393
BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL		
CHORAL RESPONSE (7:00)	<i>Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days</i>	
POSTLUDE	<i>Prayer</i>	Livingston