

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation

The Prayers of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Distribution of the Elements

The Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (in unison)

**Thank you, gracious God, for the gift of life. Thank you for Christ and his indwelling Spirit among us. Help us discipline ourselves to walk in the Way of the Lord, that we might serve all of creation in love to the glory of God, Christ, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

\*HYMN "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me" 543

### \*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Christ, We Do All Adore Thee"

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever,  
for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.  
Christ, we do all adore thee.

POSTLUDE "Go to Dark Gethsemane" Powell



# Madison Presbyterian Church A Service of Worship

## ASH WEDNESDAY

### February 14, 2018



### Worship Leaders

Pastor: Scott Hookey

Organist: Jonathan Stanley

Elder Assisting with Communion: Jim Bartlett

Greeters: Dan Smith and Staci Torres

# Madison Presbyterian Church

FEBRUARY 14, 2018 — 7:00 P. M.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

The \* indicates when to rise in body or in spirit.

**THE PRELUDE** “Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” Walther

### THE GREETING AND INVITATION TO LENTEN DISCIPLINE

\***HYMN** “Sign Us with Ashes” 433

### THE RESPONSIVE CONFESSION OF SIN

Single Voice: Creator God, you fashioned us out of dust, breathing your Spirit into us, so we might sing your praise.

Voice 1: But we have denounced your gift of life in order to be our own gods, clinging to idols of our own making.

Voice 2: We have denied our common humanity. We label others as “less-than.”

V1: We squelch all who are different through ignoring, belittling, and hating.

V2: Not trusting in your providence, we stop our ears to cries of those in need because we’re afraid we won’t have enough.

V1: We have been unfaithful stewards, O Lord.

V2: We live in a state of sin among a people of sin.

V1: Save for your grace, we perish.

V2: Remember our making, Creator God. Remember we are dust.

All: Have mercy on us according to your loving kindness. Breathe new life into us once more, so we might be the people you created us to be.

Restore unto us the joy of your salvation that we might do justice, love

kindness, and walk humbly with the Lord, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray,

(A time of silence is observed)

### THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

*(Those who so desire may come forward to receive an imposition of ashes as a sign of penitence not only for our individual sin but also in recognition of our complicity in the sin of the world.)*

### THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“Restore in Us, O God” 434

### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promise of God: “I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you will be clean from all your uncleanness, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances.”

Friends, the promises of God are true: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Live now as new people, free to love God and neighbor.

### THE SCRIPTURE READING

**ANTHEM** “Create in Me, O God” Brahms

Create in me, O God, a pure heart,  
and grant anew,  
grant a right spirit within me.

### THE HOMILY

\***HYMN** “We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name” 510