

New Life Presbyterian Church

March 6, 2019

7:00 p.m.



Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Service
of
Psalms & Songs
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We invite you to observe a time of silent prayer in preparation for our time of worship this evening.

PRELUDE *The Lord Is My Light*

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION (A Prayer of Saint Ambrose)

*O Lord, who hast mercy upon all,
take away from me my sins,
and mercifully kindle in me
the fire of thy Holy Spirit.
Take away from me the heart of stone,
and give me a heart of flesh,
a heart to love and adore Thee,
a heart to delight in Thee,
to follow and enjoy Thee, for Christ's sake, Amen.*

Psalm 21:1, 7-10, 13-14

SONG *The Lord Is My Light*

Psalm 51:1-2, 6-12, 15-17

SONG *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

GUIDED MEDITATION *A Clean Heart*

*The Daily Examen is a Jesuit meditational technique of prayerful
reflection
on the events of the day
which seeks to detect God's presence and discern God's direction for
us.
Today
we will be doing a variation on the Examen
that will focus upon letting the Holy Spirit search our hearts
and
root out what stands between us and God.*

MEDITATIONAL SONG *Bless the Lord*

Psalm 102:1-4, 11, 18-22

OFFERING SONG *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

Offerings of the Heart
Place your "Stone Heart" in the crucible.

Offerings of Treasure

*Tangible offerings in support of the church's ministry
may be placed in the offering plates
located on the small stands.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ACT of CLEANSING & PURIFICATION

IMPOSITION of ASHES

*If you would like to be marked with ashes
as a reminder
THAT
God can melt even the hardest heart of stone
and
replace it with Christ's heart embodying God's love
please come forward at this time.*

BLESSING of the HEART

...And let all God's people say:

Amen!

PARTING SONG *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*