

SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 26, 2020 7 pm

ASH WEDNESDAY

The Gathering

*Greeting

*Call to Worship

Leader: God of salvation's joy, we gather to celebrate and revere you.

People: We come, realizing that we are broken. Forgive and re-create us.

Leader: God of unfailing love, we gather to worship and honor you.

People: We come, and because of your compassion, forgive and renew us.

Leader: God of new beginnings, we gather to praise and thank you.

All: We come, and through your grace and mercy forgive and restore us, so that with clean hearts we may truly worship you. Amen.

(by John Scott; *The Timeless Psalms*)

Opening Prayer

*Hymn of Reflection "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" Hymnal # 430

Proclamation of God's Word

Old Testament Lesson Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 Youth
Pew Bible, pg.986-987

Hymn of Contemplation "Take Time to Be Holy" Hymnal # 395
(vss.1,4)

Reading From The Psalms Psalm 51:1-17 Youth
Pew Bible, pg.627

The Epistle Lesson 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Youth
Pew Bible, pg.242

Gospel Lesson Matthew 6:1-6 Pew Bible, pg. 7

Sermon "The Walk" Pastor Tom Murphy

Invitation to the observance of Lenten discipline

*Hymn of Preparation "Come and Find the Quiet Center" TFWS Hymnal # 2128

Ash Wednesday Litany "We Come" *see insert*

Imposition of ashes

(Those present can come forward upon invitation to receive the imposition of the ashes.)
The congregation shall be in prayer

(Following: all offer prayers in silence)

Pastor:

May the almighty and merciful God, who desires not the death of a sinner
but that we turn from wickedness and live, accept your
repentance, forgive your sins, and restore you by
the Holy Spirit to newness of life. Amen.

Sending Forth

*Sending Hymn "More Love to Thee, O Christ" Hymnal # 453

*Dismissal with blessing

(Please remain in your pew for a moment as the acolyte leads us out)

Going forth in silence

SUNSET DRIVE LENTEN ACTIVITIES

Sunday Morning Lenten Study Series:

Sunday mornings at 9am- "The Walk" by Adam Hamilton
lead by Zach Roberts in the Fellowship Hall

Preaching Series:

First Sunday in Lent - March 1st , "Walking with God in Worship and Prayer"

Second Sunday in Lent - March 8th , "The Importance of Listening"

Third Sunday in Lent - March 15th , "Here I Am, Lord, Send Me"

Fourth Sunday in Lent - March 22nd , "Where Is Your Treasure?"

Fifth Sunday in Lent - March 29th , "How About Some Fishing!"

Palm Sunday, April 5th, "The Cross and The Crown"

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday
Thursday, April 9th
7pm

Good Friday
Friday, April 10th
7pm

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 12th

Sunrise on the Mountain Top at the Grandle's cabin 6am.

Easter Sunday Worship In The Sanctuary

Sunday, April 12th at 10am



Staff

Pastor: Tom Murphy

Secretary: Lisa Thacker

Custodian: Angie Coffman

Youth Coordinator: Lacey Roberts

Music Director: Harlen Miller

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Over 131 years of serving God and the Community



"Seeking to live our faith, growing in our discipleship, and reaching out to others."

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We Come

*In the softness of evening,
in the solace of silence we come to you, O Lord.
We come for acceptance;
we come for community;
we come for forgiveness and love.*

Sung response: *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

Silence

*In the serenity of day's end,
in the restfulness of worship, we come to you O Lord.
We come to you for respite;
we come to you for completion;
we come to you for forgiveness and love.*

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Silence

*In the quiet of the night,
in the comfort of darkness we come to you, O Lord.
We come for peace;
we come for comfort;
we come for forgiveness and love.*

(Pause)

*We come, O Lord of Light,
seeking the illumination of your Word.
We come for the path we can't find;
we come for the life we don't have.
We come to you for our lives are death
and you alone have breath and being.*

Imposition of Ashes

*In your mercy you call us to the path or repentance.
You remind us in your Word that we are earth and dust.
But you promise to lift the poor from dust.
Come and receive the sign of repentance.*

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