

Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God in Word and Sacrament at 12:00 noon and 6:30 p.m.

March 6, 2019

Ash Wednesday

CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2019

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Class of 2020

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Grace Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA),
Presbytery of the Mid-South, Synod of Living Waters.

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

The congregation stands

Silent Procession

Introit

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee Theodore Dubois, 1899

Prayer for the Day

 (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen.**)

Gracious God, out of your love you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of tenderness and strengthen us to face our mortality that we may reach with confidence for your mercy in Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Hymn 81

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days St. Flavian

Apostles' Creed

Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional

The congregation sits.

Announcements

Old Testament

Joel 2:1-2,12-17

Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Gospel

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Sermon

Stopping By

Mike Krech

“See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation.”

2 Cor. 6:2 b,c

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 82

O Lamb of God, Most Holy

O Lammes Gott

The congregation sits.

Invitation to the Observance of Lenten Discipline

Psalm 51

Unison

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you alone have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.
So you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.
Indeed I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother's womb.
For behold, you look for truth deep within me,
And will make me understand wisdom secretly.
Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me and I shall be clean indeed.
Make me hear of joy and gladness that the body you have broken may rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy spirit from me.
Give me the joy of your saving help again
and sustain me with your bountiful spirit.
Then shall I teach your ways to the wicked, and sinners shall return to you.
Deliver me from death, O God, and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.
The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Hymn 87 The Glory of These Forty Days Erhalt Uns, Herr

Litany of Penitence

Holy and merciful God, we confess to you and to one another,
that we have sinned by our own fault, in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved
our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.
Have mercy on us, O God.
We have not listened to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to
the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.
Have mercy on us, O God.
We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and
impatience in our lives.
We confess to you, O God.
Our self-indulgent appetites and ways and our exploitation of other people,
We confess to you, O God.
Our anger at our own frustration and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,
We confess to you, O God.
Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life
and work,
We confess to you, O God.
Our negligence in prayer and worship and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,
We confess to you, O God.

Accept our repentance, O God, for the wrongs we have done. For our neglect of human
need and suffering and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

Accept our repentance, O God.

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our
prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

Accept our repentance, O God.

For our waste and pollution of your creation and our lack of concern for those who
come after us,

Accept our repentance, O God.

Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.

Favorably hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

Prayer over the Ashes

Imposition of the Ashes

The choir first and then the congregation come forward to receive the imposition of ashes.

Anthem (6:30pm) Lamb of God John Carter, 1989

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy upon us. Grant us peace.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution of The Lord's Supper

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

12:00 Worshippers come forward to receive the bread and cup.

6:30 Elders serve worshippers at their places in the pews.

All Christians are welcome and encouraged to receive the Sacrament.

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion Unison

God of compassion, through your Son Jesus Christ

you reconciled your people to yourself.

Following our Savior's example of prayer and fasting,

may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

The congregation stands to sing the

Recessional Hymn 388 O Jesus, I Have Promised Angel's Story