

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

† Salutation and Thanksgiving

Liturgist: *The peace of the Lord be with you.*

People: And with your spirit.

Liturgist: *Let us give thanks unto the Lord.*

All: Holy and most merciful God, from you comes every good and perfect gift. We give you praise and thanks for all your mercies. Your goodness has created us, your bounty has sustained us, your discipline has chastened us, your patience has borne with us. Give us a heart to love and serve you, and enable us to show our thankfulness for all your goodness and mercy by giving up ourselves to your service, and cheerfully submitting in all things to your blessed will, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Voluntary in D minor William Croft

† Benediction and Dismissal



† *The congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit.*

Worship Leaders
Maggie Jarrell
Carol Cavin-Dillon
Sarah McCain
Matthew Phelps



A Service of the Imposition of Ashes

February 17, 2021
Noon



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The Lenten Special Offering this year will benefit the Greater Nashville Habitat for Humanity for the building of a home for a family in Nashville.

Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021 ☐ Noon ☐ Sanctuary



Fantasia in G minorJohann Pachelbel

† Call to Worship Sarah McCain

Liturgist: *Turn away from the calls of worldly success.*

People: **Repent, and turn back to God.**

Liturgist: *Turn away from the desire to have what everyone else has.*

People: **Repent and turn back to God.**

Liturgist: *Turn away from greed and the race for power.*

People: **Repent and turn back to God.**

Liturgist: *Turn away from selfishness and apathy.*

People: **Repent and turn back to God.**

Liturgist: *Turn away from words and deed that wound.*

People: **Repent and turn back to God.**

Liturgist: *As we enter Lent, may we turn back to God.*

People: **May we seek forgiveness, may we seek healing,
may we seek wholeness.**

All: **May our hearts be renewed in this time of
worship.**

† Hymn No. 269 Land of Rest
Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

Lesson from the GospelMatthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Response to the Word:

Liturgist: *This is the Word of God for the people of God.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Homily: An Invitation to Transformation Maggie Jarrell

The Invitation to the Observance of Lenten Discipline..... Carol Cavin-Dillon

Thanksgiving Over the Ashes

Liturgist: *Holy God, you have created us out of the dust
of the earth. Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign
of our mortality and penitence, so that we may
remember that only by your gracious gift
are we given everlasting life:
through Jesus Christ our Savior.*

People: **Amen.**

Imposition of Ashes

Hymn: All Things of Dust to Dust Return..... Carlton Young

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Have mercy on us, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out our transgressions.
Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity,
and cleanse us from our sin.
Reveal to us our transgressions,
for we have done what is evil in your sight.
Transform us according to your love,
that we would walk humbly and act justly.
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within us.
Do not cast us away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in us a willing spirit.**