



February 17, 2021

Ash Wednesday

Sermon

Sermon Hymn

“Lord Jesus, Think on Me” LBW 309

Prayers

Each petition ends with the following response:

P: O God who justifies through Christ,

C: be merciful to me, a sinner.

Holy Communion

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Distribution

Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“Jesus, Refuge of the Weary” LBW 93

THE PARABLES OF LENT

RECEIVE JUSTIFICATION

The Parable *of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector*

Order of Service

Reading from Psalm 51

Opening Hymn

“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” LBW 487

Opening Litany

L In this holy season the Son of God humbles himself so that we receive mercy.

C Humble me once again, O God, that my life would be pleasing and acceptable to you.

L In this holy season the Son of God prays for us so that we are made one with him and each other.

C Help me to faithfully pray, O God, that my prayers would be pleasing and acceptable to you.

L In this holy season the Son of God lives a perfect life so that we receive his perfection.

C Fill me with your Spirit, O God, that my life and actions would be pleasing and acceptable to you.

L In this holy season the Son of God enters into his Passion and death so that we are exalted.

C Grant me your grace, O God, that my faith in Jesus would be pleasing and acceptable to you.

Evening Prayer

L Almighty and ever-living God, you hate nothing you have made and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and honest hearts, so that, truly repenting of our sins, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Imposition of Ashes

Confession and Absolution

P Having been reminded that we are dust, and to dust we shall return, let us confess our sins:

C Most merciful God, we confess that our very nature is sinful. The root of our sin is pride, and pride has made us love ourselves more than we love you or others. Too often we believe that our lives are acceptable to you, when in reality they are not. We have sinned against you by speaking selfish words, by thinking selfish thoughts and by taking selfish action. We have failed to love others more than ourselves and you above all else. Have mercy on us sinners.

P Since we cannot justify ourselves, our God sent his one and only Son to live a perfect life and die the death we deserved. Because of his generous grace, our sinful pride and all other sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn of Response

“Savior, When in Dust to You” LBW 91

Old Testament Reading ... Daniel 9:16-19

Epistle Reading ... 1 Peter 5:6-11

Gospel Reading ... Luke 18:9-14