Ash Wednesday—February 22, 2023



Grace Lutheran Church

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Pastor—The Rev. Leslie D. Weber (she/her/hers)
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Our Mission Statement:

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

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Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal. Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal. Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**. + Please stand as you are able.

+ Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

The assembly gathers in silence.

+ Greeting ELW p. 251

+ Prayer of the Day ELW p. 26

+Word+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading Isaiah 58:1-12

Psalm 51:1-17 ELW #51

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

+ Gospel Acclamation ELW p.205

+ Gospel Reading Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Sermon The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Hymn of the Day ELW #328

Invitation To Lent ELW p.252

Confession of Sin ELW p. 252-3

Imposition of Ashes

People may come forward to receive the ashes. Ministers mark the forehead of each person with a cross of ashes, saying:

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

ELW p. 254

+ Prayers of Intercession ... Merciful God, receive our prayer.

+ Peace

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+Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Thank you for supporting the mission of the church as you are able! Electronic donations can be made at https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/475611.

Checks can be also be sent to church: 521 Providence Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23325



+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving ELW p.206

+ Proper Preface

+ Sanctus ELW p.207

+ Thanksgiving at the Table

+ Lord's Prayer ELW p.208

+ Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei ELW p.208

Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

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Distribution Song ACS #925

All this pain; I wonder if I'll ever find my way, I wonder if my life could really change at all.

Refrain You make beautiful things, you make beautiful things out of the

dust. You make beautiful things, you make beautiful things out

of us.

All the earth; could all that is lost ever be found? Could a garden come up from this ground at all?

All around, hope is springing up from this old ground. Out of chaos, life is being found in you.

You make me new You are making me new You make me new You are making me new

+ Prayer after Communion

ELW p.254

+ Sending +

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+ Blessing ELW p.255

+ Sending Song ELW #319

+ Dismissal ELW p.255

Postlude

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