Ash Wednesday—February 14, 2024



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.

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 ACS p.34 (see insert)

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

Sermon The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Hymn of the Day

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.

Bridge You make me new You are making me new

Invitation To Lent ELW p.252

Confession of Sin ELW p. 252-3

Imposition of Ashes

ELW p. 254

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.

+ Prayers of Intercession

sung refrain ELW #616

+ Peace

+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 ACS p.36/ELW p.172

+ Proper Preface

+ Sanctus ACS p.36 (see insert)

+ Thanksgiving at the Table (IV) ELW p.111

+ Lord's Prayer ACS p.39/ELW p.173

+ Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei ACS p.40 (see insert)

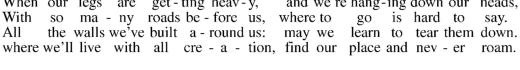
Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

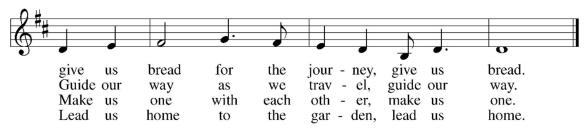
When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

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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Music: BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY, Bret Hesla

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- + Table Blessing
- + Prayer after Communion

+ Sending +

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

+ Blessing

Announcements

+ Sending Song ELW #319

+ Dismissal ELW p.255

Postlude

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