# February 19th, 2023

Our PCAS Vision: "To be a Light by Living, Loving, Learning, and Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Order of Worship (\*Please rise in body and/or spirit)

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** Choral Song

Edward Broughton

Lighting of the Christ Candle

# \*Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed is the Lord our God, who revealed the law to Moses.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Leader: Blessed is the Lord our God, who has spoken through the prophets.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Leader: Blessed is the Lord our God, who came to us in Jesus Christ.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Leader: The one who spoke and called light out of darkness now shines in

our hearts.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Leader: The one who comes and does not keep silence now speaks in our

midst.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Leader: Now we have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

\*Hymn #263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, now ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Oh that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!
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#### Call to Confession

Leader: Jesus said: Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not come to light. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

# Prayer of Confession (unison)

# God of compassion,

in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

#### Moment for Silent Reflection

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: The one who calls light out of darkness now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

## **Prayer of Illumination**

First Scripture Lesson Exodus 24:12-18

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be to God!** 

Children's Message

**Noisy Offering** 

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Hymn #450 Be Thou My Vision
Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Second Scripture Lesson Matthew 17:1-8
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks Be to God

**Sermon** Glory, Glory Hallelujah!

## Offering

Offertory

I will Come to You Chancel Choir David Haas

#### Doxology

## \*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #269 Lead On, O King Eternal!
Lead on, O King eternal!
The day of march has come;
henceforth in fields of conquest
your tents will be our home.
Through days of preparation
your grace has made us strong;
and now, O King eternal,
we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace. For not with swords' loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums; with deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal; we follow, not with fears, for gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears; your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light.

The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!

#### \*Benediction

**Postlude** Allegro in G Minor

Lani Smith

#### **Worship Leaders**

Pastor: Rev. Katja Gruening

Liturgist: Joyce Davies
Organist: Marcello Velame

Peter Bruguiere Rich Vodhanel

Zoom Hosts: John Palframan

Jim Wright

Coffee Hour: Men's Group



Ushers:

On Wednesday February 22 the Lenten season begins. And so too does our Church-wide Lenten project to help the boys and girls at Ocean Harbor House. (for a refresher see Jane Wagner's article in the February Crier).

Each week we will collect items that these young people need and we're starting with reusable water bottles. These do not have to be brand new if they are in perfect condition. Perhaps you have one or two kicking around from promotions or gifts you have received? Maybe you can purchase a reusable water bottle at a local dollar store or the gym?

We will have a box in the Church House for your contributions (and we can accept monetary contributions too).

We encourage everyone to stay hydrated!





# Ash Wednesday SERVICE

# February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Join us in marking the beginning of the Lent with a different kind of worship experience.

We will gather together with prayer and song, like is familiar. Then we will spend time moving among tables set up with prayerful activities that will guide us individually through the movements of worship: confession and forgiveness, scripture, reflection, imaging, prayer, and offering ourselves to God. One table will offer the sign of ashes. There will be both creative and cognitive ways of coming before God, allowing you to choose how you feel called to spiritually engage. We will close our worship time together around the Lord's table with Communion.

If you wish to join us via Zoom, you are invited to pick up a packet in the church house foyer with materials, including ashes, starting Wed. Feb. 15th. If you need them delivered to you, let the church office know.

If you are joining us via Zoom at a distance - we will email the materials and instructions. You'll have to gather a few common items from around the house in order to fully participate.

#### Sunday, February 26th: Ordination and Installation of Officers

Join us in worship as we affirm and pray for our incoming elders and deacons as they make new or renewed commitments to serve Christ's church as ordained leaders.

**Lent Bible Study**: Tuesdays, February 28th - April 4th, 9-10:15am on Zoom During Lent, we will be digging deeper into the scripture lessons read each Sunday. Whether or not you are in worship each week, you are welcome to join our study.

We're looking into how the cross leads to healing and wholeness for God's people. The word for that is "atonement". There are many ways of understanding how and why Jesus's death is a vital part of the work of God's grace. We look forward to learning more about those.

Pastor Katja leads our studies.

If you would like to join us, let the church office know. We'll add to you the weekly email with the Zoom link and the study guide.

# **Schedule Week of February 20th**

20 FEB, MON	All day	OFFICE CLOSED
•	4:30 – 5:30pm	Wisdom Tree Yoga - Gentle Floor Yoga(studio)
•	7 – 9pm	Boy Scouts (FH)
21 FEB, TUE	9 – 10:30am	Zoom Bible Study
	9:30 – 10:30am	Wisdom Tree Yoga - Chair Yoga Fitness(studio)
	11am – 12pm	Overeaters Anonymous (TR)
	7:30 – 9pm	Session Meeting (TR)
22 FEB, WED	9:30 – 11am	Mission Belles (TR)
	7:30 – 8:30pm	Ash Wednesday Service (FH)
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	4:45 – 5:45pm	Yoga Small Group - (FH)
	6 – 7pm	Bells ( Social Room)
24 FEB, FRI	12 – 1:30pm	Church & Society Meeting (TR)
25 FEB, SAT	7:30 – 9pm	AA (TR and FH)
26 FEB, SUN	8:30 – 9:30am	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
	10 – 11am	Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
•	11am – 12pm	Coffee Hour (FH)
•	3:30 – 4:30pm	AA (TR)
•	5 – 6pm	AA (TR)