All: accept our repentance, O God;

One: For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts

toward our neighbors and for our prejudice and contempt

toward those who differ from us,

All: accept our repentance, O God;

One: For waste and pollution of your creation and

our lack of concern for those who come after us,

All: accept our repentance, O God.

One: Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us,

All: Favorably hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

### IMPOSTION OF ASHES

# LITANY OF THE ASHES

One: Accomplish In us, O God, the work of your salvation,

All: That we may show forth your glory in the world.

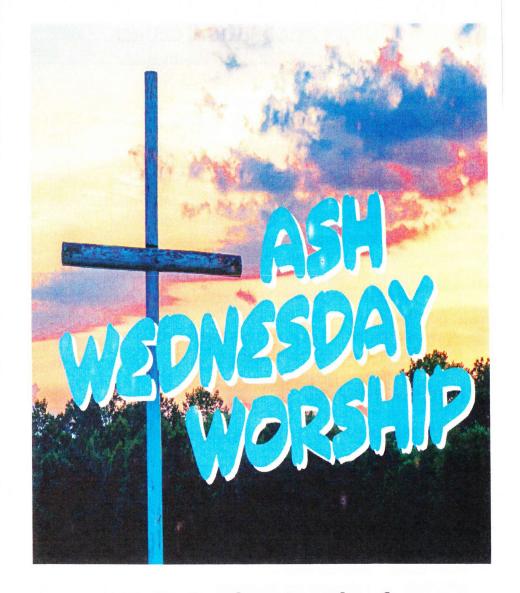
One: By the cross and passion of our Savior,

All: bring us with all your saints to the joy of Christ's

resurrection.

HYMN 354 I Am Thine, O Lord

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** 



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# UNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH March 2, 2022 Ash Wednesday

# **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you!

**CALL TO WORSHIP** from John 3: 17 and Psalm 46:1-3

One: God sent Christ into the world not to condemn the world,

but, that the world might be saved through Him.

All: God's love endures forever!

One: God is our refuge and strength, a present help in trouble.

Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change,

though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

though the waters roar and foam,

though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

All: God's love endures forever!

# PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN 386 Lord Jesus, I Long to Be Perfectly Whole

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Psalm 23

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE: John 10: 1-18

MESSAGE: Following our Shepherd

INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF THE LENTEN DISCIPLINE

#### LITANY OF PENITENCE

One: Let us pray

All: Holy and merciful God we confess to you and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

One: We have not loved you with our whole heard and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

One: We have not listened to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

One: We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness; the pride, hypocrisy and impatience in our lives,

All: we confess to you, O God;

One: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways and our exploitation of other people,

All: we confess to you, O God;

One: Our anger at our own frustration and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

All: we confess to you, O God;

One: Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

All: we confess to you, O God;

One: Our negligence in prayer and worship and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,

All: we confess to you, O God.

One: Accept our repentance, O God, for the wrongs we have done for our neglect of human need and suffering and and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,