



Online Worship Resources for ASH WEDNESDAY 2023 February 22, 2023

Please have your Communion elements ready before you begin viewing the service!

Welcome

Opening Song "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Opening Prayer

*God in Christ, hear our prayer:
Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, a sinner.
Cleanse my heart that sin may have no power over me.
Guard my life, that your will and ways may guide me all my days.
To you I offer my soul.
As we shelter in your presence, God, help us to have the courage
to acknowledge all that Jesus suffered at human hands.
Challenge us to leave ignorance and hatred behind as we follow Love.
In the name of Jesus the Christ, we pray. Amen*

Scripture Reading

Psalm 51: 1-17

Meditation

Welcome to the Table: Holy Communion

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Breaking the Bread and Blessing the Cup

Sharing the Meal

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, we thank you that we have been able to recognize our fragile human nature even as we have been welcomed at Christ's table.

We sense our oneness as the Body of Christ.

In these Lenten days, as we get ever closer to the cross and Jesus' priceless gift, help us to be aware of the many ways we can emulate his devotion to your ways as we serve humankind.

In your precious Son's name we pray.

Amen

Closing Song "The Old Rugged Cross"

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, The emblem of suff'ring and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above To bear it to dark Calvary.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

Benediction

Threefold Amen