Wednesday, February 26, 2020
12:00 Noon

Ash Wednesday

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.
ECCLESIASTES 3:20

Lenten Services Sponsored by
The North Dare Ministerial Association

This Is God’s House! All Are Welcome!

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The Order of Service for the Lord’s Day

♦ = Congregation Standing as Able

~ We Gather Together as God’s People ~

THE ORGAN PRELUDE: “Be Still, My Soul” .................................................. arr. Albin Whitworth

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: For just such a time as this, we were made. We have been created in the image of God, who is loving, grace-giving, and wise. We are created to be the hands, heart, and feet of the Lord.

PEOPLE: We gather on this Ash Wednesday, not because we must, not to puff ourselves up, but to start out on the trail that leads to Christ’s resurrection. Let us worship the Lord.

THE OPENING PRAYER

♦THE HYMN NO. 213: “In the Cross of Christ I Glory” ................................................................. RATHBUN

THE LITANY OF PENTITANCE

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. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven. Have mercy on us, O God.

LEADER: 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.

PEOPLE: Have mercy on us, O God.

LEADER: We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness. For the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

PEOPLE: Have mercy on us, O God.

LEADER: For our anger at our own frustration and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves.

PEOPLE: Have mercy on us, O God.

LEADER: For our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

PEOPLE: Have mercy on us, O God.

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

PEOPLE: Have mercy on us, O God.

LEADER: Restore us, O God, of our salvation, and show us your steadfast love.

PEOPLE: Turn to us in your mercy and redeem us.

LEADER: In the mercy of the Lord, God sent Jesus Christ into the world to redeem and save us. Let us turn to Christ and follow in his ways this Lenten season and throughout our lives.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God. Amen.
The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, ‘You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.’

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, ‘Did God say, “You shall not eat from any tree in the garden”? ’ The woman said to the serpent, ‘We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, “You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.” ’ But the serpent said to the woman, ‘You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.’ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, ‘Where are you?’ He said, ‘I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.’ He said, ‘Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?’ The man said, ‘The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.’ Then the Lord God said to the woman, ‘What is this that you have done?’ The woman said, ‘The serpent tricked me, and I ate.’

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be for us a sign of our mortality and penitence, for it is only by your gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior, we pray, Amen.

Those who wish to receive the imposition of ashes on their foreheads are invited to come down the center aisle in silence. You may return to your seats down the side aisles.

The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

THE UNISON PRAYER FOR THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES:

The HYMN NO. 833: “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

THE BENEDICTION

The ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

Please join us in the fellowship hall following the worship service for a lunch prepared by the Presbyterian Women of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church.

A donation of $5.00 is suggested for lunch.
All proceeds will go to local food pantries.
Wednesday Lenten Worship Service Schedule

Outer Banks Presbyterian has proudly hosted community Lenten Service sponsored by the Dare County Ministerial Association for many years. The services begin on Ash Wednesday, February 23 at 12:00 noon and will continue through April 8. There is a service in the sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the fellowship hall. A donation of $5.00 is suggested for lunch and the proceeds will go to the Beach Food Pantry, Food for Thought, Mt. Olivet Food Pantry, and the Hatteras Island Food Pantry. All are invited to these services of music and reflection. The schedule for the 2020 Lenten season is as follows:

February 26, 2020
The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore, Speaker
from Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
OBPC Presbyterian Women, Luncheon

March 4, 2020
The Rev. Dr. Gaye Morris
from Unitarian Universalist Cong. Of the Outer Banks
UUCOB, Luncheon

March 11, 2020
The Rev. Nick Hodsdon
United Church of Christ
North Dare Ministerial Association, Luncheon

March 18, 2020
Chaplain Cherri Wheeler, Speaker
Kitty Hawk Baptist Church, Luncheon

March 25, 2020
The Rev. Keith Dey, Speaker
from Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Luncheon

April 1, 2020
The Rev. Dr. Michelle Lewis, Speaker
from Mighty Wind United Methodist Church
Mighty Wind United Methodist Church, Luncheon

April 8, 2020
The Rev. Spottswood Graves, Speaker
from Calvary Presbyterian, Swan Quarter
St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Luncheon