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> Worship Services: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m. Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor March 5, 2025

Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

(* Those who are able, please stand)

Prelude... "Andante" by Mendelssohn

Mary Jane Clark, Organist

Gathering and Greeting

Rev. Gloria Jun

* A Call to Worship

Leader: Blow the trumpet in Zion!

People: Sound the alarm on God's holy mountain!

Leader: The day of the Lord draws near. **People:** A day of darkness and gloom.

Leader: Yet even now, God yearns to turn calamity into joy.

People: We will return to the Lord.

Leader: Leave behind the ways that lead to death. **People:** We will rend our hearts, not our clothing.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

* Opening Prayer

Merciful God, we thank you for your love and grace upon us. As we enter Your holy sanctuary, cleans us and renew us. May we find truth in our innermost being, as we embrace your wisdom in our hearts. In this season of humility, put a new and right mind within us. O, God of compassion, help us have the mind of Christ as we serve others with love and care. We choose to rejoice in the One who abides in steadfast love and blesses us with mercy and grace. Amen.

* Hymn #338 (Hymnal)

"Where He Leads Me"

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:18-21 (NKJV)

Meditation... "Be Reconciled to God"

Declaration of Faith

We declare that all things are from God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Christ. We believe that God is not counting our sins against us, for in Christ, we are forgiven and made new. We receive the ministry of reconciliation, entrusted to us, and commit to being ambassadors of Christ—sharing His message of grace with the world. We proclaim that God made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him, we might become the righteousness of God. We choose to walk in this truth, to live as His redeemed people, and to call others to be reconciled to God.

In Christ, we stand forgiven, justified, and made righteous. Amen.

- * Imposition of Ashes
- * The Passing of the Peace

Pastor: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Presentation of the Offering

The Offertory... "Therefore, Kind Jesus" by Barr

* The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

(Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.)

* Hymn #419 (Hymnal)

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

- * Benediction
- * Depart in Silence

Sermon Notes:

2 Corinthians 5:18-21(NKJV)

¹⁸ Now all things *are* of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, ¹⁹ that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not ^[a] imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

²⁰ Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore *you* on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Announcements:

March 12-April 16-Mid-Week Lenten Services at New Hope Presbyterian Church on Lincoln Way, 11:30 a.m.

March 9-Friends and Family Sunday

March 16-Hymn sing Sunday

April 5-Walk Thru the Bible, 9:00 a.m.-Noon. Registration information on the table in the narthex.

April 6-Service of Holy Communion

April 13-Palm Sunday

April 17-Maundy Thursday service with communion, 7:00 p.m.

April 18-Walk of the Cross in Irwin, Noon

Good Friday service, 7:00 p.m.

April 20-Easter Sunday service at 9:30 a.m.

