

FEBRUARY 22, 2023

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

7:30 PM

PRELUDE

Amy Duran, piano

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 138

Leader: Thank you! Everything in me says "Thank you!" Angels listen as I sing my thanks.

People: I kneel in worship facing your holy temple and say it again: "Thank you!" Thank you for your love, thank you for your faithfulness; Most holy is your name, most holy is your Word.

Leader: The moment I called out, you stepped in; you made my life large with strength.

People: Finish what you started in me, God. Your love is eternal - don't quit on me now.

HYMN SING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God, You call us to be made new. We prefer "same old." You call us to stretch and strive for growth in our relationship with You. We prefer to stay as we are. You call us to work together to help each other to grow. We prefer to keep faith private. And so we ask, Holy Spirit, that You'd do what You do – lead us on another step in our faith journey into Jesus-life. Amen.

Hearing of God's Forgiveness
Living Thankfully as Forgiven People

*GLORIA PATRI

SPECIAL MUSIC

"The Publican"
Les Cox, Amy Duran

Van de Water

THE WORD OF GOD

VIDEO "A Bit of Context for Understanding the Scripture Lesson"

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 4:20-24

SERMON

"New Clothes"

Pastor Sayer

PRAYER FOR A BLESSING ON THE WORD

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

"May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE