



Have mercy
on me, *O* God,
according to your
steadfast *love.*

Psalm 51:1, NRSV

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLAIRSVILLE

*“a community of believers, called by God, led by the Holy Spirit
to know Christ and to make Christ known”*

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March 5, 2025 ~ 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday Service

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude "Lead Me to Calvary" Arr. Hustad

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Return to the Lord with your whole heart.
Take an inventory of what truly resides in your heart.

**People: We welcome this hard work because we know
God is merciful and gracious, overflowing
with love without wavering.**

Leader: As we call upon God, may we be living sacrifices
and a blessing to others.

**People: We call upon God for all things in life and
especially now as we come together to worship.**

*Hymn "In Christ Alone"

DECLARATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 51:1-10

Anthem "Lamb of God"

Gospel Lesson Luke 4:1-13

Sermon "Wilderness Exam" Rev. John Manon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Ministry of Giving in Response to the Word

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

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Blessing of the Ashes

Imposition of Ashes

Litany of Penitence

L: Most 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.

P: By what we have done and by what we have left undone.

L: We have not truly loved you or our neighbors
as you command.

P: We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

L: We have not been bold in your call for us to serve,
as Christ served us.

**P: We have not been true in our desire nor prompting
of the Holy Spirit in our lives.**

L: Lord, have mercy on us.

P: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Video

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

Amanda R. Bell

*Benediction

*Postlude

*(*All who are able, please stand)*

This evening, the imposition of ashes will be offered to those who wish to receive them. At the appointed time, please come forward.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of our journey to the cross together. Following is a schedule of days to remember.

- April 13 Palm Sunday Worship 11:00 am
- April 17 Maundy Thursday Dinner 6:00 pm
- Maundy Thursday Worship 7:00 pm
(Dinner & worship held in Fellowship Hall)
- April 20 Easter Sunrise Service..... 7:00 am
(Will be held outside in the prayer garden)
- Easter Breakfast 8:00 am
- Easter Worship 11:00 am

Lenten Devotional Booklets are available at the back of the sanctuary for anyone wishing to take one. The booklets include a Daily Lenten Reflection for each day beginning today and concluding on Easter Day.

Our Offering received this evening will be given to the deacons and used in replenishing our Deacon Food Pantry.

