



Let's Worship!

March 2, 2022 — 12:00 PM

Ash Wednesday

A Hybrid Worship Experience, In-Person and Online

Today's worship team: Music Director Jayne McDonough, Worship Leader The Rev. Larry Moyer; Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Production Norris Clark.

WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

Join us for Worship Online or In-Person! Online: www.coldspringworship.com.

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In-Person: Protocols are required for everyone's safety including maintaining a six-foot distance, alternate-row seating and wearing face masks at all times. Hand sanitizers and masks are available. Words in **bold** and music to be spoken or sung if in-person. If online, sing aloud!



Thank you for joining us today! Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent with a public act of confession and contrition. Acknowledging that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, we stand in solidarity as fellow creatures before our Creator, acutely aware of our mortality. We also celebrate God's grace and love, and pledge ourselves anew to the journey to live better-

aligned to God's emerging future in Christ. Plan to gain needed spiritual resources as we gather for worship each Sunday in Lent.

WORSHIP PREVIEW

Our neighbors are feeling more and more like strangers to one another and more isolated since the pandemic began. People report loneliness as a persistent experience more than 70% of the time. How can we turn strangers into friends? How can our places of mission and worship become more welcoming? Let's realize that others are as awkward as we may be! During the next 40 days be open to new ways to turn strangers into fellow travelers, companions, friends, to embrace God's emerging future that leads to the cross and the empty tomb. Here's how scripture puts Lenten advice: "Don't be a mean-faced people, cruel to grandmothers and babies alike" (Deut. 28:50). But, "Do be a place where the face of God can smile on others" (Num. 23:5). This week we are putting on the *Face of Grace* for greater Cape May!

GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS

REV. KEVIN YOHO

COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

JAYNE McDONOUGH

INVITATION TO THE LENTEN JOURNEY REV. KEVIN YOHO

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON):

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.**

CALL TO REPENTANCE (RESPONSIVELY)

REV. LARRY MOYER

O God the Father, creator of heaven and earth,
Have mercy on us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world
Have mercy on us.

O God the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide,
Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, three persons
and one God,
Have mercy on us.

Loving God, whose glory it is always to have
mercy: Be gracious to us who have gone astray
from your ways, and bring us again with
penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace
and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your
Word, Jesus Christ your Son.

Amen.

MUSIC- WHERE ARE YOU GOD? WE LONG TO KNOW

1

Where are you, God? We long to know.
At times, our sorrows overflow.
Then others ask the question, too.
"Where is your God?" — they say of you.

2

We've seen the wages of our sin;
we've dreamed of things that might have been.
We've given in to hate and fear;
we've pushed away those you hold dear.

3

May we put feasts and games aside;
may we tear down the walls of pride.
We're sorry, Lord! We've turned from you!
So now we ask "What can we do?"

4

Still you are gracious, loving, kind.
We'll turn around! Now is the time!
These Lenten days, O God, may we
become the face of community.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):

**Lord, help us not only to hear your Word read
and proclaimed today but listen to it that we
may understand. May your Word challenge
and change us on our Lenten adventure.
Amen.**



**MESSAGE FOR KIDS:
RELEASE YOUR
SUPERPOWER!**

MUSIC FOR OUR LENTEN JOURNEY: WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS REV. LARRY MOYER

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 6:16-21 (NIV)

"And whenever you fast, do not put on a dismal face like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"

MESSAGE: PUTTING ON THE FACE OF GRACE

PASTOR KEVIN



INVITATION TO OBSERVE A LENTEN DISCIPLINE

Let us begin our Lenten journey by confessing our sins and seeking the forgiveness and new life that is promised to us in Christ Jesus.

COMMUNITY CONFESSION (PSALM 51) (MSG)

Left: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

Right: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence when you pass judgment.

Left: I was born guilty, a sinner when I was born. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Right: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out my iniquities.

Left: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Right: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Left: Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and they will return to you.

Right: Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

Left: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you do not delight in

sacrifice and you are not pleased with a burnt offering.

All: The sacrifice acceptable to God is an open spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be a sign of our mortality and penitence and a reminder that only your gracious gift can help us put on the face of grace; through Jesus Christ, the Savior.

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

MUSIC VIDEO: SPEAK, O SAVIOR; I AM LISTENING

Speak, O Savior; I am list'ning,
As a servant to his lord.
Let me show respect and honor
To your holy, precious Word,

That each day, my whole life through,
I may serve and follow you.
Let your Word e'er be my pleasure
And my heart's most precious
treasure.

Oh, what blessing to be near you
And to listen to your voice!
Let me ever love and fear you;
Let your Word still be my choice.

Many hardened sinners, Lord,
Flee in terror at your Word,
But to all who feel sin's burden
You give peace and words of pardon.

Lord, your words are waters living
Where I quench my thirsty needs.
Lord, your words are bread life-
giving;
On your words my spirit feeds.

Lord, your words will be my light
Through death's cold and dreary
night;
Yes, they are my sword prevailing
And my cup of joy unfailing.

As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me;
Let your words in me take root.
May your Spirit e'er be near me
That I bear abundant fruit.

May I daily sing your praise,
From my heart glad anthems raise,
Till my highest praise is given
In the endless joy of heaven.

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

Once we were strangers,
Now we are neighbors.
Once we were strangers,
Now we are friends.

BENEDICTION: REV. KEVIN YOHO

POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

Go in peace!

**Thank you for being with us, and
showing God's face of grace!
Be blessed and a blessing
during your Lenten Journey!**



Notes for Today's Worship:

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