

# Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.  
(After Bible study)



## What is Ash Wednesday?

Ash Wednesday marks the first day of Lent, which signifies a time to turn around, to change direction, and to repent. We place ashes on our foreheads to remind ourselves that we are but temporary creatures, always on the edge of death. The ashes are formed into a cross to symbolize that through the death and resurrection of Christ, we are redeemed.

## Where does this practice come from?

This is an ancient practice to mark the beginning of Lent and its origins are found in the Catholic tradition. It is also practiced in the Anglican tradition and many Protestant Churches. The ashes come from the palm leaves from last year's Palm Sunday service.

*You are dust, and to dust you shall return.*

Genesis 3:19



*Lives Change Here*

*We are followers of Jesus Christ who worship God in joy, grow disciples in love,  
care for one another in peace, and take God's love into the world in hope.*