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THE CHURCH AT LITCHFIELD PARK

A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE

February 18, 2026 6:30 pm

Ash Wednesday

Prelude Kyrie Eleison | Lord, Have Mercy

Invocation

O Lord our God, long-suffering and full of compassion, be present with us as we enter this season in which we recall our Savior's sufferings and celebrate his triumph. Give us your Holy Spirit, so that as we acknowledge our sins and implore your pardon, we may also have the strength to deny ourselves and be upheld in times of temptation through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 51:15-17)

L: Open my lips, Lord,

P: And my mouth will declare your praise.

L: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;

P: You do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

L: My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart

P: You, God, will not despise.

***Hymn** Change My Heart, O God #654

Scripture Reading | Psalm 32:1-5 (ESV)

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Meditation

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Prayer of the Christian Community | Lord's Prayer

Merciful God, you called us forth from the dust of the earth; you claimed us for Christ in the waters of baptism. Look upon us as we enter these forty days bearing the mark of ashes and bless our journey through the desert of Lent to the font of rebirth. May our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; our prayer, the chant of humble and grateful hearts. All that we do and pray is in the name of Jesus, for in his cross you proclaim your love forever and ever. Now we pray as Jesus taught us to pray...

Imposition of Ashes

You are invited to come forward to receive the imposition of ashes on your forehead, or, if you prefer, on the back of your hand. Please form a line down the center aisle and come forward to either kneel or stand in front of the rail when a space becomes available. Return to your seat via the outside aisle. The pastor will mark each person with the ashes, using the following words:

**Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return,
but the steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.**

Benediction

Postlude

Sunday's Palms Are Wednesday's Ashes

LENTEN SEASON

Sunday Worship 8:30 AM | 10:00 AM

Palm Sunday March 29, 8:30 | 10:00 AM

Maundy Thursday | April 2, 6:30 PM

Good Friday | April 3, 6:30 PM

Easter Sunday | April 5, 6 AM | 8:30 | 10:00 AM

Easter Sunday Egg Hunt | 8:30 | 10:00 AM

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Rev. Brenda Houlihan | Associate Pastor

Beverly Griggs | Choir Director

Kathy Drake | Organist & Pianist

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Nursery | Sundays (all services)

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