

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

OFFERTORY

Anthem Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God (Mueller) (7:00 only)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Amen.

PREFACE DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY ELW p. 162

GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER: ELW p. 112

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD ELW p. 164

COMMUNION SONG ELW #471 Let Us Break Bread Together

COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**BENEDICTION****DISMISSAL**

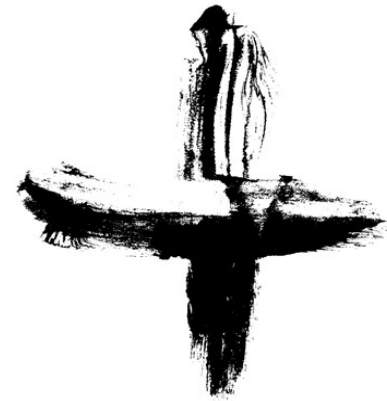
Thanks be to God.

DEPART IN SILENCE

Ash Wednesday, Year A

18 February 2026 at 12pm & 7pm

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
4814 Paper Mill Road, Marietta, Georgia



ENTER IN SILENCE

Pastor

Rev. Richard Leseganich

Worship & Music Director

Joseph Brewer

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Amen.

FIRST READING: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 51:1-17

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW p. 177 Lenten Acclamation

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #592 Just as I Am, Without One Plea

INVITATION TO LENT

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Most holy and merciful God,
**we confess to you and to one another,
and before the whole company of heaven,
that we have sinned by our fault,
by our own fault,
by our own most grievous fault,
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For failing to recognize your coming reign,

and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,
and for disdaining the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,
have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For disregarding voices from the margin,
and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world:
Gracious God,
have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,
and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life:
Gracious God,
have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.
Amen.

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

Anthem "Dust I Am" by Mark Miller (7:00 only)

Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,
that we may show forth your glory in the world.
By the cross and passion of your Son, our Savior,
bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Each intercession concludes with:

P: Merciful God,

C: Receive our prayer.

Prayers conclude with:

P: Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. **Amen.**