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*Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022*

**Prelude**

**Call To Worship** Tom Bartley

*One: Blow the trumpet in Zion and let the people tremble,*

**Many: for the day of the Lord is coming. The God of glory is near.**

*One: Never has there been such darkness and never have we imagined*

*such glory.*

**Many: The ruler of all ages will triumph with greatness and power.**

*One: This is our Lord who is above all others. The earth quakes and the*

*heavens tremble.*

**Many: The sun and the moon are darkened; the stars no longer shine.**

*One: The Lord utters his voice and all hosts are commanded.*

**Many: Truly the day of the Lord is great. Who can endure it?**

**Hallelujah! Only God can endure it!**

**\*Hymn** *Be Thou My Vision*

**Prayer** Tom Bartley

**Scripture Reading** John 3:16-17

**Meditation** Tom Bartley

**Prayer for the Imposition of Ashes** (Unison)

Gracious God,

You created us out of the dust of the earth and breathed into us the breath of life. By your hand we live and to your hands we return when our days are done. Grant that the awareness of our mortality may lead us not to fear, but to faith. In our weakness teach us to look to you for strength, in our failures to turn to you and find forgiveness, and in our failures to turn to you and find forgiveness, and in our dying to await the gift of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Imposition of Ashes**

**\*Hymn** *Change My Heart O God*

**Closing Prayer**  Tom Bartley

**\*Benediction**

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