

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Imposition of Ashes**

**\*Closing Hymn: "Sanctuary"**

(Sing the Faith #2164/Screen)

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Maggie Harp**

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**Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

6:00 p.m. Worship Service

(Facebook Live)

*ASH*  
*WEDNESDAY*



*Remember that  
You are dust, and to  
dust You shall return.*

Ecclesiastes 3:20

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*God is here and welcomes you! If you are a visitor and are looking for a church home, be assured you are welcome and needed at Hope Church. We are a people who seek to respond to God's love in Christ and we invite you to join us. Please be advised that our Sunday worship service is on Facebook Live and also taped for television broadcast, aired on Channel 18 (Windstream Cable) and Channel 181 (Charter Cable) on Sundays (2:30 pm), Tuesdays (11:30 am and 8:30 pm), and Thursdays (8:00 am and 5:00 pm).*

**\*(Please stand as you are able)**

**Prelude**

**Maggie Harp**

**Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship**

One: God says, "I have listened to you. On the day of salvation, I have helped you."

**ALL: Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation.**

One: Let us seek God, delighting to know God's ways.

**\*Opening Prayer**

One: God of Righteousness, you see the secret acts of our devotion and know the hidden motives of our hearts. Confirm in us a spirit of humble obedience, so that without regard to earthly honor we may live as your faithful children always, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** "Come and Find the Quiet Center" (STF #2128/Screen)

**Prayer for Illumination**

One: By the illumination of your Holy Spirit, O God, open our hearts so that we may hear your Word and change our lives; through Jesus Christ.

**ALL: Amen.**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 51:1-17**

<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

<sup>2</sup>**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

<sup>3</sup>For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

<sup>4</sup>**Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass  
judgement.**

<sup>5</sup>Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

<sup>6</sup>**You desire truth in the inward being;  
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

<sup>7</sup>Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me,  
and I shall be whiter than snow.

<sup>8</sup>**Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

<sup>9</sup>Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

<sup>10</sup>**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.**

<sup>11</sup>Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

<sup>12</sup>**Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

<sup>13</sup>Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

<sup>14</sup>**Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation,  
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.**

<sup>15</sup>O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

<sup>16</sup>**For you have no delight in sacrifice;  
if I were to give a burnt-offering, you would not be pleased.**

<sup>17</sup>The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

**Special Music:** "My Song is Love Unknown"

Adult Choir

**Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 58:1-12**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:1-6,16-21**

**Sermon: "Oh, the Rules"**

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**\*Sermon Hymn: "Change My Heart, O God"** (Sing the Faith #2152/Screen)

**Invitation to Observe a Holy Lent**

**Litany of Penitence**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**ALL: 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.**

**Offering/Offertory: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"**

Adult Choir