



**February 22, 2023**  
**Ash Wednesday**

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**-PRELUDE-**

*"Show Us How to Love"*  
Brenda Gardiner

**-WELCOME-**

**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"Show Us How to Love"*  
HEARTS OPEN, MINDS AWAKE,  
CHANGE US NOW FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE.  
LEAVE US NOT ALONE IN HATRED'S WAKE.

SHOW US HOW TO LOVE.  
SHOW US HOW TO LOVE.  
SHOW US HOW, SHOW US HOW TO LOVE.

**-DEVOTIONAL-**

**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"Show Us How to Love"*  
EYES OPENED, SHOCKED AWAKE,  
MUCH TO LEARN FROM OUR MISTAKES,  
DRAW US CLOSER IN OUR HEARTACHE.

SHOW US HOW TO LOVE.  
SHOW US HOW TO LOVE.  
SHOW US HOW, SHOW US HOW TO LOVE.

**-PRAYER-**

**-CALL TO WORSHIP-**

WE OPEN OUR HEARTS, OUR MINDS,  
OUR SOULS, OUR VISION  
TO THE WAYS OF LOVE CREATED BY YOU,  
EMBODIED IN JESUS,  
AND ALREADY MOVING IN US BY THE SPIRIT.

WE ARE FORGIVEN, LOVED, AND FREED!  
AMEN!

**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"Dust and Ashes"*

DUST AND ASHES TOUCH OUR FACE,  
MARK OUR FAILURE AND OUR FALLING.  
HOLY SPIRIT, COME,  
WALK WITH US TOMORROW,  
TAKE US AS DISCIPLES,  
WASHED AND WAKENED BY YOUR CALLING.

TAKE US BY THE HAND AND LEAD US,  
LEAD US THROUGH THE DESERT SANDS,  
BRING US LIVING WATER,  
HOLY SPIRIT, COME.

DUST AND ASHES SOIL OUR HANDS -  
GREED OF MARKET, PRIDE OF NATION.  
HOLY SPIRIT, COME,  
WALK WITH US TOMORROW,  
AS WE PRAY AND STRUGGLE  
THROUGH THE MESHES OF OPPRESSION.

TAKE US BY THE HAND AND LEAD US,  
LEAD US THROUGH THE DESERT SANDS,  
BRING US LIVING WATER,  
HOLY SPIRIT, COME.

DUST AND ASHES CHOKE OUR TONGUE  
IN THE WASTELAND OF DEPRESSION.  
HOLY SPIRIT, COME,  
WALK WITH US TOMORROW,  
THROUGH ALL GLOOM AND GRIEVING  
TO THE PATHS OF RESURRECTION.

TAKE US BY THE HAND AND LEAD US,  
LEAD US THROUGH THE DESERT SANDS,  
BRING US LIVING WATER,  
HOLY SPIRIT, COME.

**-SCRIPTURE-**

Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21 (NRSV)

*"Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.*

*"So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.*

*"And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.*

*"And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.*

*"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

**-THE MESSAGE-**

*"Looking For Love"*

Pam Lee-Miller & Kenny Bishop

**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"Change My Heart, O God"*

CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD,  
MAKE IT EVER NEW.  
CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD.  
MAKE IT MORE LIKE YOU.

YOU ARE THE POTTER,  
I AM THE CLAY.  
MOLD ME AND MAKE ME.  
THIS IS WHAT I PRAY.

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**-THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE-**

**-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-**

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