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## 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



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## February 26, 2017



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Welcome to Worship!

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 26, 2017

8:30 AM

Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany

Music by the Lord's Crew

### Gathering

\*OPENING PRAISE All the People Said Amen

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

\*PRAISE Open the Eyes of My Heart  
How Great Is Our God  
Blessed Be Your Name

\*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns  
Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

### Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION Thank You Lord

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:25-34

SERMON "DON'T WORRY? NOW WHAT?"  
Rev. James Powell

OFFERING SONG Cares Chorus

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Communion Song On Bended Knee

\*FINAL BLESSING Seek Ye First

\*CLOSING SONG Rock of Ages, Jesus Is the Rock

\*Worshippers stand as able

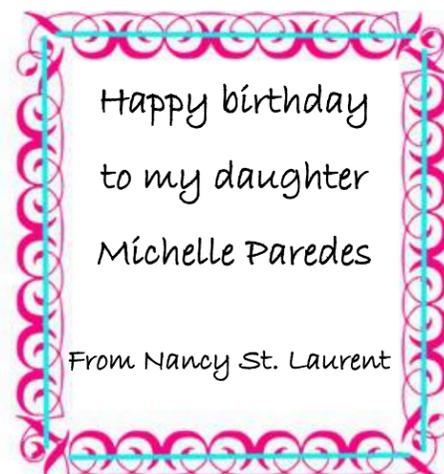


### Coffee Hour Today

is hosted by  
ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE /  
ELT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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#### Wednesday—3/1

##### ASH WEDNESDAY 6 PM IMPOSITION OF ASHES



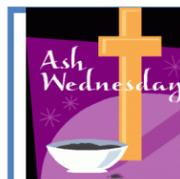
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  - Ash Wednesday Service—6 PM—S
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- #### Thursday—3/2
- People's Kitchen Prep—8 AM—Leave to Serve 11:15 AM
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  - Intercessory Prayer—10 AM—L
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  - Worship Team—6 PM—MMR

#### Friday—3/3

- Spirit Day at AGUMCC
- Bible Study—8:30 AM—L
- AGUMCC Closed—3:30
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#### Saturday—3/4

- Currently nothing on calendar



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	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	TOTAL
Jan 29	44	82	126
Feb 5	44	97	141
Feb 12	30	96	126
Feb 19	50	77	127

### OUR GIFTS

	Weekly Offerings	Budgeted:	\$4,711
Jan 29	Received:	\$3,357	
Feb 5	Received:	\$7,340	
Feb 12	Received:	\$5,498	
Feb 19	Received:	\$2,612	

Fiscal Year to Date Budgeted regular giving: \$160,164  
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February 26, 2017 Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany 10:30 AM

### CENTERING WORDS

“Your heavenly Father already knows all your needs, and he will give you all you need from day to day if you live for him and make the Kingdom of God your primary concern.” ---Matthew 6:32-33

### WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

PRELUDE *Glory To His Name* John Stockton

INTROIT *He Is Exalted* TFWS #2070

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Do not worry about anything in life—what you’ll eat, or what you’ll wear.

**May our hearts be open to trust you.**

If God takes good care of birds and flowers, God will take care of you.

**May our eyes be open to see You at work.**

Share what you have been given with those in need, storing up treasure in heaven.

**May our hands be open to serve you.**

May the blessing of God—Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer—encourage and strengthen you in every good word and deed

\*OPENING HYMN *All Things Bright and Beautiful* No. 147

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Carolyn Russell

*Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time. Junior and Senior high will meet in Criswell Hall.*

ANTHEM *God Gives Us a Future with Hope* Pepper Choplin

### A TIME OF PRAYER

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for you.**

Choral Call to Prayer *Sanctuary* TFSW #2164

Congregational Prayer/Lord’s Prayer

Choral Response *Sanctuary* TFSW #2164

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:25-34

HYMN (remain seated) Great Is Thy Faithfulness verses 1-2 No. 140

SERMON "DON'T WORRY? NOW WHAT?" Rev. James Powell

OFFERING Invitation to Offering Offertory Be Strong in the Lord Tom Fettke Doxology/Prayer of Blessing

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

\*HYMN God Will Take Care of You verses 1-3 No. 130

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Great is the Lord Michael and Deborah Smith

\*Worshippers stand as able.

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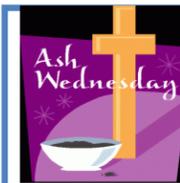
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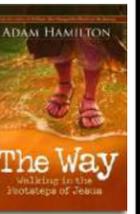
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THE WAY by Adam Hamilton All are invited to the Lenten Study Classes Wednesdays, 5:45 PM



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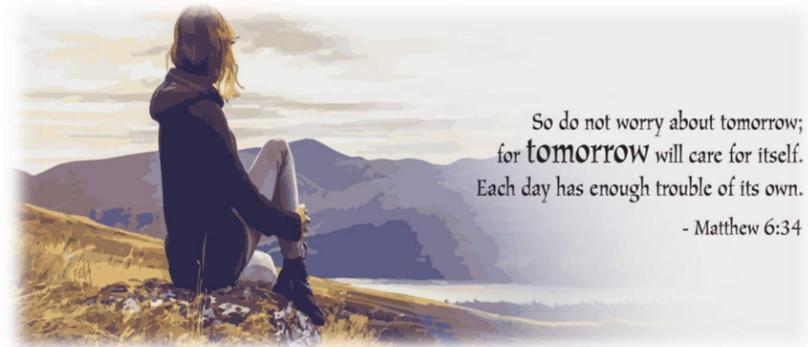
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