

**WELCOME TO THE  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF DUNELLEN, NJ**

*ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026  
SERVICE OF REPENTANCE & COMMUNION*

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 42:5; 124:8

LEADER: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

**ALL: He is the maker of heaven and earth!**

LEADER: Why, my soul, are you downcast?

**ALL: Why so disturbed within me?**

LEADER: Put your hope in God;

**All: For we will yet praise Him, our savior and our God.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**SONG**      *Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound*      Hymn 502

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Joel 2:13-15

LEADER: “Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. Who knows? He may turn and relent and leave behind a blessing— grain offerings and drink offerings for the LORD your God. Blow the trumpet in Zion, declare a holy fast, call a sacred assembly.” LORD God, we come to you to ask for your mercy and to confess our individual and corporate sin.

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

Psalm 51:1–2, 6, 10–12

**ALL: O LORD, forgive us for the wrong we have done. Forgive us for the good we have not done. We have sinned without meaning to and we have sinned on purpose. We confess, repent & turn to you. Forgive us & make us new through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

(Silent Confession)

**ALL: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity & cleanse me from my sin.**

(Silent Confession)

**ALL: Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.**

(Silent Confession)

**ALL: Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

based on Isaiah 40:11; 53:4-5

LEADER: Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities. Upon Him was the chastisement that makes us whole, and by His stripes we are healed. He will feed his flock like a shepherd and gather the lambs in his arms.

**ALL: Amen! Thanks be to God.**

**SONG**      *My Jesus, I Love Thee*      Hymn 101

**SCRIPTURE**      *Isaiah 53:1-12*

**SERMON**      **THE INIQUITY OF US ALL**      Rev Tim Osborne

SONG                      *Nothing But the Blood of Jesus*                      Hymn 471

PROFESSION OF FAITH    Romans 6:8-11

**ALL:** "Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus."

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING, OFFERTORY, DOXOLOGY & DEDICATION

SONG                      *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*    Hymn 514 (v1-2)

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE              *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*    Hymn 514 (v3)

POSTLUDE

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*Please join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall  
after the Ash Wednesday Service.*

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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



## DUNELLEN, NJ

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE - 12 PM  
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