ERB STREET MENNONITE CHURCH

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Ash Wednesday

Prelude

Welcome and Orientation to Service

Call to Worship

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

- Leader: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
- **People:** God's mercy endures for ever.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn	Come and Fill Our Hearts 5x	VT 52
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Scripture Reading VT 889, Psalm 51

- Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgression.
- People: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
- Leader: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and put a new and steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

People: Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Prayer of Confession

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Leader: For failing to love others as you have loved us, God of grace,

People: forgive us.

Leader	For wasting our gifts and hoarding our goods, God of grace,		
People	e: forgive us.		
Leader	For plundering the earth and abusing the planet, God of grace,		
People	e: forgive us.		
Leader	For fearing those who are strange to us and ignoring those in need, God of grace,		
People	e: forgive us.		
Leader	For losing heart and abandoning hope, God of grace,		
People	e: forgive us.		
Leader	For all the ways we turn from you, God of grace,		
People	e: forgive us.		
Leader	 We offer your prayers in the name of t saves us, Jesus Christ. 	he One who	
All:	Amen.		
Sung Res	sponse Kyrie eleison 3x	VT 678	
Reflectio	n Ashes for Valentine's		
Silent Me	editation (5 min.)		
Hymn Sig	gn Us with Ashes, Merciful God	VT 304	
Impositio	on of Ashes		
Prayer			
Hymn Sh	nalom, My Friends	VT 842	
Benedicti	ion		
Postlude			

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Shalom Chaverim (Shalom, My Friends)

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