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**YOU ARE WELCOME**

**TO WORSHIP**

**Sunday Services**

9:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist

**Bible Study**

Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.



**Holy Week Services**

*Palm Sunday*

March 20, 9:00 a.m.

*Maundy Thursday*

March 24, 6:30 p.m.

*Good Friday*

March 25, 7:30 p.m.

***Easter Sunday***

March 27, 9:00 a.m.

Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt

after worship

**You are welcome to our**

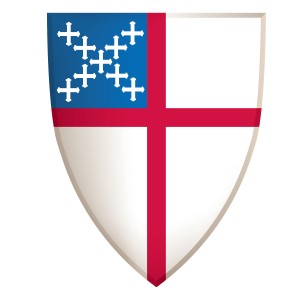
**WINTER FARMERS’ MARKET**

Saturday, March 12

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Help us support local farmers!

Enjoy a wide range of seasonal, sustainably produced goods from local farmers & vendors at this indoor market. Items may include winter produce, honey, meat, baked goods, salsas, cheese and more! LINK cards accepted. *Sponsored by Faith in Place: fathinplace.org*

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**Confession & Ashes**

*The minister invites the penitent,*Dear Child of God: I invite you to keep a Holy Lent, with self-examination and repentance; offering prayer, fasting, and help for the poor, and by reading and meditating on God’s Word. Let us now bow our heads before our God and pray together:

*Both say the Confession,*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you   
in thought, word, and deed,   
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.   
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.   
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,   
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The minister imposes ashes, saying,*

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

*Go in peace, my brother/sister.*

**Want more?**

12 noon – Ashes and Communion

7:00 p.m. – Ashes, Communion,

and Music, with choir.

***Where do the ashes come from?***

* *The ashes we place on your forehead were burned last Sunday from dried palms left from last year’s Palm Sunday service.*

***Am I unworthy of love?***

*Shame = I am All Wrong.*

*Guilt = I have done wrong.*

* *Ash Wednesday is to declare our guilt and receive God’s love, NOT to cover us with shame. We are never unworthy of God’s Love.*

***What is the Episcopal Church?***

* *Some call us “Catholic Lite” but we see ourselves as an inclusive, thoughtful, democratic faith community, grounded in the Eucharist, the Trinity, and lay leadership. Learn more:*

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# ASHES TO GO

We’re oﬀering ashes in our parking lot on this Ash Wednesday because many people have work or family commitments that keep them from coming for a church service today. But this holy reminder of need, humility, and healing shouldn’t be conﬁned to a church building. We want to offer it to all who long for God and for repentance today, as we have since 2013.

To learn more about this movement: www.ashestogo.org

# Dear Friend,

You are welcome here! Today is ASH WEDNESDAY, the beginning of the 40-day spiritual journey of LENT.

Lent is a season of prayer and fasting to help us remember the cross and resurrection of Jesus and prepare for Easter.

We at St. Benedict are a faith community that values hospitality, openness, food, and fun! You are always welcome to visit, or to email or call us with questions: [info@stbenedict.ws](mailto:info@stbenedict.ws) or 630-759-5955.

# Blessings to you!