

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, and continues for 40 days (not counting Sundays), ending on Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. Lent is a season of self-examination, reflection and preparing our hearts for the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. The theme I have chosen to center on this season is *Again & Again*. There are several opportunities for spiritual growth this season, both individually and as a community. All are welcome! Invite a friend.

### **Upcoming Lenten Worship Services**

Wed., February 17<sup>th</sup>, **Ash Wednesday**, options:

- 6:30pm, prerecorded service premieres on Youtube (watch anytime after 6:30)
- 6:30pm, in-person service with ashes & communion (weather permitting, we will determine by noon on Wednesday, following same covid safety protocols as last fall)

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21, Isaiah 58:1-12  
*"Again and Again, We're Invited In"*

Sunday, February 21, First Sunday in Lent, Mark 1:9-15, Genesis 9:8-17  
*Again and Again, God Meets Us!*

Sunday, February 28, Second Sunday in Lent, Mark 8:31-9:8, Psalm 22:23-31  
*Again and Again, We Are Called to Listen*

### **Lenten 5-week Small Groups Studying the Scriptures for the Upcoming Sunday**

Tuesdays, February 23 - March 23, 2:00pm at Hopewell or 7:00pm online via google meet (technical assistance is available to help connecting online).

Youth are welcome to participate too. For more information and to sign-up, contact Pastor Wendy [pastorwendyhs@gmail.com](mailto:pastorwendyhs@gmail.com)

### **Lenten Daily Devotional Cards**

Choose a new card each day. Use as a family or on your own. Print your own set of cards using the attached document, pick up a set at the church at the Ash Wednesday service, or email [pastorwendyhs@gmail.com](mailto:pastorwendyhs@gmail.com) to request delivery.