

# The Holy Way Presbyterian Church



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February 14, 2024, 3:00pm  
Ash Wednesday Service  
First Day of Lent

**Welcome to Worship:**  
Opening Prayer

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

**Call To Worship:**

Don Kimball

Behold, now is the acceptable time.  
Today is the day of God's salvation.

**People: We tremble in fear and anticipation  
at the nearness of a God so great and powerful.**

Return with all your heart,  
with weeping, fasting, and mourning.

**People: God is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Be reconciled to God, through Christ Jesus,  
and receive a new and right spirit within.

**People: We will fast and pray as an inner discipline,  
preparing ourselves for faithful discipleship.**

**People: Amen**

**Opening Hymn:** Change My Heart Oh God (Hymn 695)

Lynne Wiger  
Congregation

**Scripture Reading:**  
**Isaiah 58:1-12**

Don Kimball

1 "Shout it aloud, do not hold back.  
Raise your voice like a trumpet.  
Declare to my people their rebellion  
and to the descendants of Jacob their sins.  
2 For day after day they seek me out;  
they seem eager to know my ways,  
as if they were a nation that does what is right  
and has not forsaken the commands of its God.  
They ask me for just decisions  
and seem eager for God to come near them.

3 'Why have we fasted,' they say,  
    'and you have not seen it?  
Why have we humbled ourselves,  
    and you have not noticed?'  
"Yet on the day of your fasting, you do as you please  
    and exploit all your workers.  
4 Your fasting ends in quarreling and strife,  
    and in striking each other with wicked fists.  
You cannot fast as you do today  
    and expect your voice to be heard on high.

5 Is this the kind of fast I have chosen,  
    only a day for people to humble themselves?  
Is it only for bowing one's head like a reed  
    and for lying in sackcloth and ashes?  
Is that what you call a fast,  
    a day acceptable to the Lord?

6 "Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen:  
to loose the chains of injustice  
    and untie the cords of the yoke,  
to set the oppressed free  
    and break every yoke?

7 Is it not to share your food with the hungry  
    and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—  
when you see the naked, to clothe them,  
    and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?

8 Then your light will break forth like the dawn,  
    and your healing will quickly appear;  
then your righteousness[a] will go before you,  
    and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard.

9 Then you will call, and the Lord will answer;  
    you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I.

"If you do away with the yoke of oppression,  
    with the pointing finger and malicious talk,  
10 and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry  
    and satisfy the needs of the oppressed,  
then your light will rise in the darkness,  
    and your night will become like the noonday.

11 The Lord will guide you always;  
    he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land  
    and will strengthen your frame.

You will be like a well-watered garden,  
like a spring whose waters never fail.  
12 Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins  
and will raise up the age-old foundations;  
you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls,  
Restorer of Streets with Dwellings.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *"We Are Only Human"*

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

**Invitation to Observe a Lenten Discipline:**

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

**Prayer of Confession:**

Don Kimball

**People: Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth.  
May these ashes be a sign of our mortality and penitence and a reminder  
that only by your gracious gift are we given everlasting life; through Jesus  
Christ our Savior. Amen**

**The Imposition of Ashes:**

Sign Us with Ashes (Hymn 433)

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

Astrid Chan

**Sending Hymn:** *Be Thou My Vision (Hymn 450)* Lynne Wiger

Congregation

**Benediction:** Ash Wednesday Blessing

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

**Postlude:** *Be Thou My Vision (Reprise)*

Dr. Astrid Chan

## **Stay Connected**

**Sunday 9:30 am!** Worship Service at The Holy Way

**Kingdom Seekers!** - Children's Sunday School (ages 4-12), **Sunday 9:30am**

**Tuesday 10:00am! Sermon Debrief Bible Study** In the Conference Room  
This is a great way to Fellowship, wrestle with questions about Sunday's sermon, ponder the meaning of God's Word, and discover how Scriptures can transform our lives today. This is led by Pastor Tina and is very interactive.

**Monday 10:00am The Handcraft Group meets** in the Conference Room. All handcrafts (knitting, coloring, etc) welcome! Come make something with your hands and enjoy great fellowship time together.

**Magic Classes for the New Year!! Tuesday thru March 5th, 2024 at 5:00pm in the Conference Room.** Classes are taught by our resident magician Stephen the Spectacular and all 6 weeks are free. For more information or any questions, please contact Stephen at 818-426-6266 or [stephenlevine63@gmail.com](mailto:stephenlevine63@gmail.com).

**Novel Explorations! Wednesday, thru February 21st at 2:00pm in the Conference Room.** This Holy Way Book Study will be facilitated by Joan Zaretsky, author and professor, who will lead the first exploration through the book "*Holy Moments, A handbook for the Rest of Your life*". Please contact Joan with any questions at (520) 256-7130

**Free Magic Show! February 24, 2:00pm in the Sanctuary.** Invite your friends, neighbors, and grandkids as we offer this 3rd annual Outreach event to our community. Please contact Stephen at 818-426-6266

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