

**A Service of Worship for Ash Wednesday**  
**February 6, 2008**

Keyboard Danny Booth

GATHERING Rev. Jeff Bennett

**\*GREETING**

*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 forever.**

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN** *"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"* 269

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

**\*HYMN** *"Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed"* 359

PSALM Psalm 51:1-17

SCRIPTURE LESSON Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 David Branham

MESSAGE *"The Need for Repentance:  
An Inconvenient Truth"* Rev. Jeff Bennett

INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF LENTEN DISCIPLINE

THANKSGIVING OVER THE ASHES

**\*IMPOSITION OF ASHES**

CONFESSION AND PARDON 890

**\*THE PEACE**

OFFERING Diane Wright, Scott Tinsley

*"Are You Washed in the Blood"*

*"Lamb of God"*

**\*DOXOLOGY** 95

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER** 895

**\*HYMN** *"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"* 402

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**\*GOING IN SILENCE**

(\*) The people standing (those who are able)