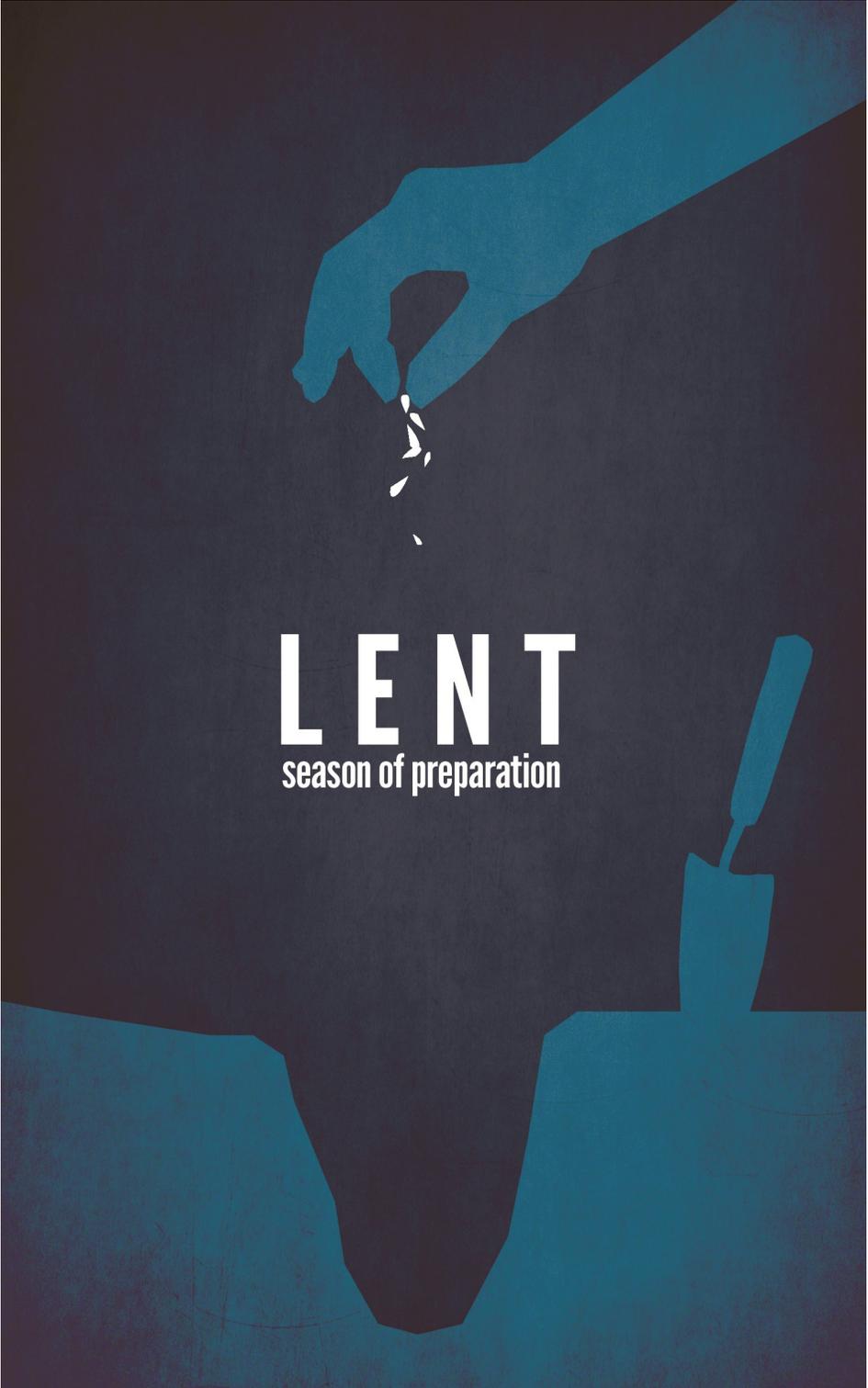
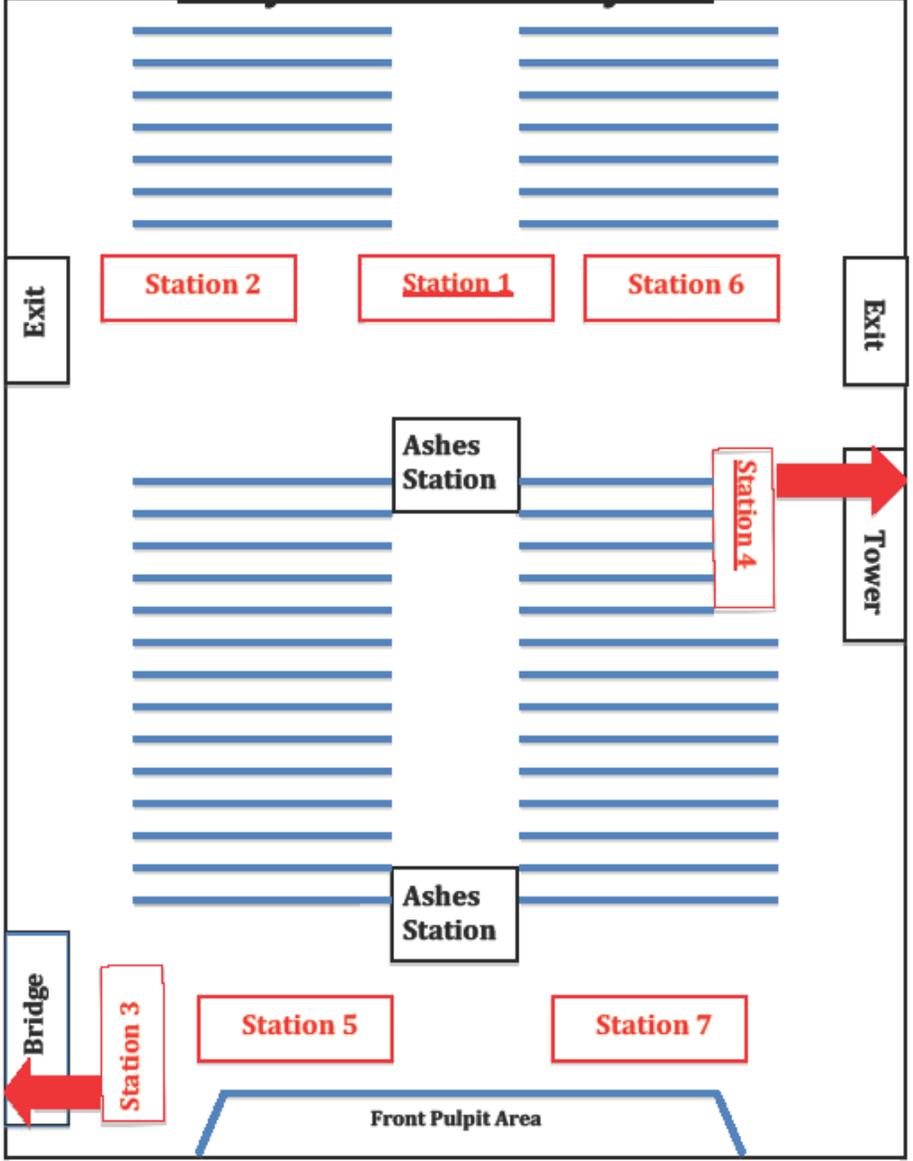


Prayer Station Layout



Ash Wednesday Wednesday, February 26, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP

People: Here, at the outer limits of Lent, we are called to walk:

Leader: to the paper-thin edges which cut us to the soul;
to the workplaces that wear us out;
to the people who confuse us;
to the faith which stretches us.

People: Here, at the corner of Steadfast Love and Faithfulness, we are called to wait;

Leader: when our clenched stomachs awaken us;
in the moments of unbearable sorrow;
with the angels who would carry us and the promise of tomorrow.

People: Here, where death might meet life, we are called to let go:

Leader: to begin the path of Lent;
that leads to Easter's morn.
Whose tears wash away our fears,
with the power of a sacrifice
and the God who will not let go.

SONG LED BY FISH

PRAYER OF INTENT

SCRIPTURE READING: Colossians 1:19-20

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MEDITATION

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"Ashes and The Beautiful Temporary"

*HYMN NO. 2138 (Sing the Faith hymnal)

"Sunday's Palms Are Wednesday's Ashes"

COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: We lift up our hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

All are invited to come forward, when directed by an usher, to commune by Intinction—taking a piece of bread or a gluten free wafer and dipping it in the cup. Those who wish may remain seated to be served by an Elder.

Hymn During Communion

Hymn No. 507

"Come to the Table of Grace"

Prayer

*ASHES AND PRAYER STATIONS

After receiving ashes you are invited to take part in the interactive prayer stations around the room. They can be done in any order and you do not need to do them all. Instead take your time at each one, moving through the activity slowly and quietly, allowing the busyness of our days and minds to settle down enough to listen for God's "still, small voice" speaking to us. The diagram on the back of the bulletin shows the location of each station.

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 695

"Change My Heart, O God"

*BENEDICTION