

**Riverside Community Church
Ash Wednesday Service
February 14, 2024**

Gathering Music

Centering Silence & Prayer

Prelude “Just As I Am” *Stevens*

Invitation to Worship “Come, Come” *Rumi*

Words of Welcome

*Opening Song “Kum Ba Yah” #487

Preparing Our Hearts

Reading “What We Need is Here”
Wendell Berry

Choral Anthem “You Are Mine” *Haas & Hayes*

Bible Bits & Scripture Genesis 2:4-7 Matthew 6: 19-21

Words of Reflection

Song of Response “Take, O Take Me as I Am” 2x.

**Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

A Time of Blessing “Blessing the Dust” *Jan Richardson*

A Time to Remember

*You are invited to come forward and receive the
mark of ashes—as a reminder of your existence as a
finite, vulnerable and beloved child of God, and as a
sign of your desire for wholeness and healing.*

*Closing Song “Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God” #378

Benediction

*Following the benediction, you are invited to
depart the sanctuary in silence or
remain for a time of reflection.*



*Would you become a pilgrim on the road of Love?
The first condition is that you make yourself
humble as dust and ashes.*

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Rev. Vicky Stifter | Minister
Diana Beterbide | Piano, Organ & Choir Director
Kristen Warnock | Music Minister
Dawn Rankin | Flute
Sandy Spellecy | Diaconate
Ann Harris & Sandy Spellecy | Readers
Kathryn Murray | Sound & Audio-Visual System



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