

“When Jesus Went to Egypt”

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2018

Tune: O Sacred Head Now Wounded

When Jesus went to Egypt, safe on his mother’s arm
His parents stayed beside him to keep him safe from har.
And when they crossed the border, they were allowed to be
together—
Seeking refuge—a Holy Family.

O God, we pray for children and families coming here.
Now facing separation and filled with grief and fear.
For children, loved and treasured, are ripped from loving kin.
This deed, by any measure, is torture. It’s a sin!

O God, you’re like a mother who won’t forsake her own.
You’re like a loving father who welcome his son home.
Now give us, by your Spirit, the strength to challenge wrong,
To seek the best for children, and keep all families strong.



ASH WEDNESDAY is Wednesday, March 2: An in-person service including Imposition of Ashes will take place in the sanctuary from 6-6:30pm on a drop-in basis or come for the entire half hour for scripture, prayer, and sacred music. We encourage a large turnout for this meaningful beginning to the Lenten Season.

During the day, there will also be the addition of a Drive-In Opportunity on the parking lot for members of the community and church to receive a word of scripture, prayer, and imposition of ashes. This will be an outreach to those driving through our community, whether at lunch time or throughout the day, to those with work schedules preventing evening worship, or whomever the Spirit might lead us to minister to.

Please take a moment to stop by the table in the Narthex and view the pictorial album of Rev. Birch’s Retirement Celebration.