

## There are two changes to note this year...

The services will be held at two churches this year:

### First Reformed Church of Walden

70 Scofield Street, Walden, NY 12586, and

### Wallkill Reformed Church

45 Bridge Street, Wallkill, NY 12589

We will have **dessert and fellowship** this year instead of soup and sandwiches.

Enjoy a tasty time this Lent with God's Word which is "sweeter than honey" (Psalm 119:103) and sweet treats with delightful old and new friends.

Each Sunday service is at 6:00 PM preceded by Dessert and Fellowship at 5:00 PM except for Ash Wednesday when worship is at 7:00 PM. There will be no Fellowship time on Ash Wednesday.

The offering this year, as in the past, will be for **Habitat for Humanity-Newburgh** for their good work building houses and supporting lives in our community. Please make checks payable to: **Wallkill Valley Union Lenten Series.**

If you are unable to attend a service in person, worship services will be broadcast online on:

Facebook for Walden: frc walden ny

Facebook for Wallkill: Wallkill Reformed Church

**Join your old friends and make new friends as you go on the Lenten journey of discovery and renewal with us!**



## ASH WEDNESDAY

is an ancient holy day in the Christian church calendar. It marks the beginning of the season of Lent – a time of penitence, discipline, and renewal. In the Ash Wednesday service we are reminded of our mortality, we confess our sins, and we experience forgiveness through Christ's death and resurrection. Ashes will be available to those who wish to receive them.

In Scripture, ashes serve both as a symbol of mortality and a sign of mourning and repentance. But neither sin nor death are the final word. We leave the service in confidence and gratitude: Christ has conquered death, and nothing can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord.



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“He told them many things in parables.”  
Matthew 13:3

“What is the kingdom of God like?  
And to what shall I compare it?”  
Luke 13:18

Come join your brothers and sisters in Christ from the Wallkill Valley to discover the wonder and power of the stories our Lord told. Each one will shock and disorient us and, in the end, bring us to deeper love and discipleship.



## 87TH ANNUAL WALLKILL VALLEY LENTEN SERIES

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 7:00 PM**  
**First Reformed Church of Walden**  
The Rev. James O’Connell preaching  
**HOW JESUS TAUGHT**

(Chapter 2 in the book)

**Scripture: Matthew 7:28-29**

Imposition of Ashes  
Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 9**  
**Wallkill Reformed Church**

The Rev. Ken Sampson preaching  
5:00 PM Dessert and Fellowship  
6:00 PM Worship

### GROWING TOGETHER

(Chapter 6)

**Scripture: Matthew 13:24-50**

**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 16**  
**First Reformed Church of Walden**

The Rev. Stan Seagren preaching  
5:00 PM Dessert and Fellowship  
6:00 PM Worship

### LOST AND FOUND

(Chapter 9)

**Scripture: Luke 15**



**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 30**

**Wallkill Reformed Church**  
The Rev. Howie Dalton preaching  
5:00 PM Dessert and Fellowship  
6:00 PM Worship

### THE OUTRAGEOUS COMPASSION OF GOD

(Chapter 12)

**Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16**

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT, APRIL 6**

**First Reformed Church of Walden**

The Rev. Irving Rivera preaching  
5:00 PM Dessert and Fellowship  
6:00 PM Worship

### THE MIRACLE OF FORGIVENESS

(Chapter 11)

**Scripture: Matthew 18:23-35**