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Save the Date: Southern Conference Lenten Series

Each year during the season of Lent, the Southern Conference offers a special educational series designed to nurture learning, connection, and spiritual growth across our Conference.

Last year's Lenten series focused on History and Polity, providing an opportunity for clergy who needed the course as part of their credentialing process to complete it at no cost, as well as for laity who desired a deeper understanding of the history and life of our denomination. The series was well received and widely supported by our churches. It is still available to watch for clergy credit on the soc-ucc.org website under spiritual empowerment.

This year, while the subject matter is still being finalized, we invite you to **mark your calendar now** and plan to join us for this year's Lenten offering:

March 3, 10, & 17
7:00 PM
Via Zoom

More details, including the topic will be shared soon and zoom link coming. We look forward to gathering once again during this meaningful season for learning, reflection, and connection.

Save the Date: Ash Wednesday Gathering **Wednesday, February 18 | 8:30–9:00 PM | Zoom**

Join the Southern Conference for a sacred **Ash Wednesday moment of testimony, prayer, and collective reflection** as we begin the Lenten season together.

This virtual gathering will include a time of shared witness, prayerful grounding, and the imposition of ashes. **Participants are asked to bring their own ashes** (or a symbolic substitute) as we will **apply them together at the close of the service**, united in spirit though gathered online.

Come as you are.
Come ready to reflect, release, and begin again.

More details and the Zoom link will be shared soon.

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