

February 11, 2024 Transfiguration Sunday 10:30 AM

*Those who are able, please stand
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. This is Transfiguration Sunday. Today we focus on the way God transformed Jesus and wants to transform us as we continue in the missions of Jesus. Please join us after the service for Coffee and fellowship in Fellowship Hall.

The flowers on the alter are in Memory of Hilda Paul given by Warner Paul.

Monday February 12, 2024 Free Lunch with North Main UMC

February 12 Bible Study, Leviticus, at 1:00 in the Parlor

February 14, 2024 Ash Wednesday Service in Chapel @ 4:00 PM

February 19, 2024 Food Pantry 10:00AM to 1:00 PM

February 22, 2024 Neighborhood Engagement @ Library 3-6 PM

MUSICAL PRELUDE: “Spirit Song” Pianist Mavis Baldwin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

We gather as witnesses to the transforming power of God. To you the light of love and ministry has been revealed. Rejoice! Place your trust in Jesus for he is God’s chosen and beloved Son. Because of Jesus love, you have been blessed by God to be witnesses; to proclaim God’s love to all. Be at peace God will not keep silent. Our God is a forgiving God. He will gather us in with the tender words: “You are forgiven.”

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord has called you here this day from the mountain tops and valleys.

People: Get ready! A miraculous thing is about to happen. Let the radiance of Christ be evident among us. Be ready to receive a new vision.

Leader: In the midst of our darkness, life can seem shrouded in mystery.

Jesus brings holy light. Open your hearts to receive this good news.

People: O Lord, calm our spirits and patiently prepare us for service in the light of the world revealed to us today.

Leader: Jesus himself has proclaimed us worthy and beloved. Help us to listen carefully to the words of his healing love and live in the light.

People: Our hearts are open and our spirits are ready to receive God’s love.

Praise be to God and to Jesus Christ who has healed and redeemed us. Christ is

our light and our hope forever and we are God’s children.

GATHERING SONG “Be Thou My Vision” UMH 451

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

Lord, it seems so long ago that we heard your words at Jesus’ baptism. You reminded us that he is your beloved Son with whom you are well pleased. Again today we hear your words that we are to listen to him, to pay attention. Open our hearts this day, Lord, to hear the words of Jesus, to follow in his footsteps, and to serve You. Remind us to draw even nearer when we hear your voice. For we ask this in Christ’s Name. AMEN.

Time with God’s Children: SECOND SUNDAY OFFERING

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE Turn your Eyes Upon Jesus UMH 349

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “His Eye is on the Sparrow” Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 95

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Creator God of infinite patience, we see you in every plant that grows and blossoms, every creature that runs or flies, in mountains and sunsets and in every drop of rain that falls. Creation is not something that happened, but something that is happening every day. As we share our tithes and offerings

today, we pray you, through Jesus, will continue the work of creation in us, that we might become more tolerant, more forgiving, more generous, and more loving. In that name, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, may they be used for the missions of this Church, our Community and the World. Amen

SONG OF COMMITMENT "He Touched Me" UMH 367

Special Reading: Transfiguration Prayer UMH 259

Psalter Reading: Psalm 99 UMH 819-820

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed UMH 881

GLORIA PATRI *(We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible)* UMH 70

SCRIPTURE Mark 9: 2-12 and Luke 9: 18-36

SHARING THE STORY "A Mountain Top Experience" Pastor Joyce Royal

SENDING SONG "Take my Life, and Let it Be" UMH 399

THE SENDING FORTH

When Jesus' glory is revealed to us, we become transformed. We are not who we were before. Make us ready for the journey to the cross. We will go and testify to God's faithful promises. God's covenant is everlasting. We will go and follow God's ways. The ways of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness. Go now and proclaim God's good news to everyone as the journey to the cross begins.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "God of Grace and God of Glory" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

Lectionary Reader: Ron Holly

Prayer List: Mary Hayes, The Family of Roberta Paul, Carol Cotton, Ruth Williams, Werner Paul, Linda Howland, Louise Medbury, Chris and Kim Gottschalt, Charles and Leslie Arnold, Dave Winnie, Paul and Helene Hohn, Crystal Lee, Beverly Bartlett, Kathy Malley, Elaine and Art Schrum, Carol Johnson, Kevin Quaresino, Portial Robles, Steve Miles, The Homeless and Hungry people of our Community

*** If you have a joy or a prayer request or would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain group, please call Carol Johnson at 518-921-9902***

Welcome to Worship

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