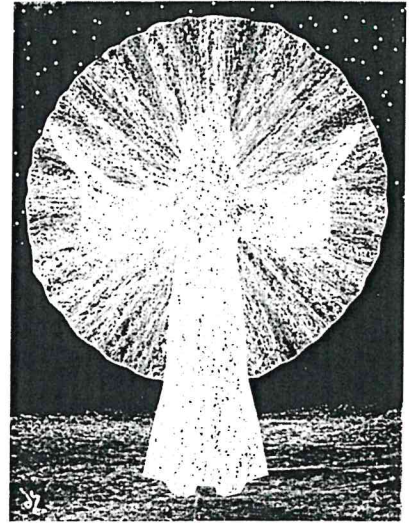


***Transfiguration Sunday***  
***February 11, 2024***  
***10:30 a.m.***

**OUR LORD'S**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
*There's a Place for You Here*



**GATHERING TOGETHER**

**Reflection for Worship Today**

*Today's readings reveal God coming into the world. Each text presents a variation of the idea that God is active in the world and in the lives of the faithful. As the church, we are "crossing over" from one season to the next. We bid farewell to the rhythmic normalcy of Ordinary Time, with its comfortable call stories and Gospel world-building, and we become reacquainted with the pain and perseverance of the Lenten journey to the cross.*

Prelude

Welcome

One voice: Good morning, Church! I see you!

**ALL voices: I am here!**

Graceful Engagement

\*Call to Worship

One: The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**ALL: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.**

One: God's glory fills the earth, but sometimes we, like Elisha, do not think we are ready to encounter glory.

**ALL: And yet, God's glory showed up anyway.**

One: Sometimes we are like the disciples who witnessed Jesus' transfiguration and wanted to cling to that one glorious moment.

*cont.*

**ALL: And yet, God called them down from the mountain.**

One: So, we gather today, some of us feeling ready and some of us feeling wholly unprepared, yet ALL are called together to worship and to be led by glory out into the world.

**ALL: God, may we perceive Your glory all around us, pointing us in the way You would have us go.**

\*Opening Hymn “Christ Is the World’s Light” vs. 1-3

UMH 188

\*Unison Prayer

**Mighty God, stay with us always, not only in our worship, but as we share the risk and challenge of living our faith. By Your powerful Spirit, turn our fear to courage. Your glory shines in the face of Christ; shine in our hearts and lives, as well. May Your name be praised, glorious God! Amen.**

## LEARNING TOGETHER

Children’s Time

Pastor: And, Jesus said... **ALL: Let the children come!**

Scripture “Elijah goes to heaven.” 2 Kings 2:1-12 CEB

Response

One: The Word of God for ALL of us - God’s people.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

Scripture as Script “Jesus transformed.” Mark 9:2-9 CEB

Sermon “Crossing Over”

## RESPONDING TOGETHER

Call to Prayer “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

UMH 349

Sharing Joys and Concerns in Community (*text prayers to 414-378-4012*)

*ALL are welcome to share aloud and in silent meditation*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer ALL Together

UMH 895

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ and Invitation to Giving Action

*We commit our time, talent, and treasure as God's people to strengthen this ministry and others out into the world. We offer the gift of witness to strengthen our willingness to serve as we bring our offerings. Stand, move about, place your offering, encourage and greet one another.*

One: The peace of Christ be with you! ALL: And, also with you!

\*Doxology

TUNE: OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise Love who made all time and space.  
Praise Love who came in truth and grace.  
Praise Love on humankind outpoured,  
that all may love forevermore.**

\*Blessing Prayer

**Gracious God, as we remember Christ's transfiguration, we stand in awe of the glimpse of Your glory revealed on the mountain. Just as Peter, James, and John witnessed the radiant presence of Christ, we, too, are transformed by Your love and grace. As we offer our tithes and offerings, may these gifts reflect the warming light of Your love in our lives. Just as Jesus was transfigured before them, may our hearts be transformed, and our actions reflect the love and truth Jesus embodies. Bless our giving and use it to bring Your divine light to a world in need. In the name of Jesus, our Lord, we pray. Let it be so.**

\*Responsive Sending Forth

One: Beloved, go now in strength and power.

**ALL: We go bearing witness to the transforming power of God.**

One: Know that the glory that leads ALL of us into transition also comforts ALL of us in our growing pains.

**ALL: We go, God's glorious love guiding and sustaining us, as we take up our mantle of kinship as God's beloveds out into the world.**

\*Final Blessing

\*Closing Hymn "This Little Light of Mine" all verses

UMH 585

\*Postlude

## NOTES:

Lectionary readings: 2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

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**Highlighting, with gratitude, these servant leaders for today...**

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Suminski, Ken Miller, **Mary Schulz**, Wendi Haubert,  
Sue Schulkers

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Musicians: Sue Broker, Sue  
Schulkers, **Dave Smith (midi)**  
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