

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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"A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"



February 19, 2023

10:45 a.m.

"TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY"

WORDS OF WELCOME ----- Pastor Michael Atkinson

ORGAN PRELUDE - -"Meditation on Feniton" / Richard Syner - Dr. Jessica Scott

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

People: we are called to be God's people.

Leader: As Jesus called the disciples

to climb with him to the peak of another mountain,

People: we are called to follow wherever he leads.

Leader: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,

People: we are called to worship in wonder and praise.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Holy One, Light of light, God of all creation, long ago you showed yourself to the disciples in Jesus' transfiguration — his face glowing like a field of daffodils on a bright, spring morning. Shine in us, around us, and through us, that the world may see your glory in the faces of your people—faces transfigured in the light of your love. Amen.

*HYMN # 258 ----- "O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair"

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS WITH THE PASTOR -----Pastor Atkinson

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM - - - "King of Glory, King of Peace", Herbert/Jones *FUMC Family Choir*

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease, I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me; thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.
Wherefore with my utmost art, I will sing thee, and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me, And alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.
Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort, to enrol thee: e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - - - - -Matthew 17:1-9

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

SERMON -----"A Transformed Community" ----- Pastor Atkinson
(You are encouraged to use this space for notes.)

*HYMN #2272 (The Faith We Sing)----- "Holy Ground"

*SUNG BENEDICTION ----- "Go Gently, Go Lightly"

Go gently, go lightly, go safe in the Spirit,
Live simply, don't carry much more than you need:
Go trusting God's goodness, go spreading God's kindness,
Stay centered on Jesus and where he will lead.

Go singing, go bring the gifts of the Spirit,
Go hopefully searching for things that are true:
In living, in loving, whatever be falls you,
God keep you, God bless you in all that you do.

ORGAN POSTLUDE - -"Jesus on the Mountain Peak" / C.V. Taylor - Dr. Scott

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YOUTH CONFIRMATION SESSIONS 2023



Confirmation

Parents of any of our youth who have not been confirmed are encouraged to contact Pastor Mike to enroll in this year's classes, to be held in March, after morning worship. An orientation will be held on Sunday, February 26th at 12:00 noon.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FIRST CHURCH

Shrove Tuesday, February 21st -- Monastic Meal at 12:15 p.m. (pancakes & sausage!)
Tuesday, February 21st -- Outreach Committee at 5:00 p.m. in the Groom's Room
Tuesday, February 21st -- Finance Committee at 5:00 p.m. in the Parlor
Tuesday, February 21st -- Church Council at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor
Ash Wednesday, February 22nd -- Parish Service at 7:00 p.m. at Duff Street UMC

Bell Choir Rehearsal Schedule

February 26th - 9:30 a.m. rehearsal in bell room 10:45 a.m. play in worship
March 5th - 9:30 a.m. rehearsal in bell room 10:45 a.m. play in worship

All are welcome to join! Contact Brett Miller for more details.



Twelve-Step Meetings (7 sessions each week) -- Monday through Thursday -- Library
Winter Shelter -- nightly from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m.



(A Thank-You Note from The Mustard Seed)

"Thank you for continuing your generous support of the Mustard Seed. Souper Bowl Sunday comes at a perfect time, as winter slowly winds down. Please know you are always welcome to visit, and to refer others to us. Blessings, Dolores Yoke"

Contact Tammy Matheny at 304-476-2015
if you would like information about our Prayer Chain.

