

*"Listen to him!"*  
MARK 9:7

TRANSFIGURATION  
SUNDAY



# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024

10:50 a.m.

## ✠ We Gather in God's Name ✠

**Welcome**

*Rev. Bill Pollack*

**Prelude**

*Max Jackson*

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

Richard Hillert; E Power Biggs

**Call to Worship**

*Geri Willis*

L. We await our Savior. We gather on the mountain and with open eyes behold Him.

**P. We receive strength to live in the valley.**

L. God's love is revealed in the face of Christ. With unveiled faces we behold His glory.

**P. His splendor is unfading, the power of His love is undiminished.**

L. To us the gift of God has been revealed: God's Son, the Chosen One.

**All. We listen and worship, for Christ is here. Amen.**

† **Hymn of Praise**

#12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might:  
Thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small.  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all.  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.

Thou reignest in glory; Thou dwellest in light.  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight.  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

† **Call to Confession**

† **Prayer of Confession**

**O loving God, we've forgotten that we can bring joy to one another. We are too often content to live with things as they are. We see the results around us of people who never knew love, who failed to find a welcome or a smile of acceptance. O God, place us in Your presence that we may be instruments of Your love, that we might carry on Your transforming and transfiguring ways. Open our eyes that we might see the world in the light of the grace of Jesus, our Guide and Savior. Amen.**

† **Assurance of Pardon**

† **Response**

“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” You taught us Lord, to pray,  
But You alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.  
Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease.  
Then by Your mercy reconciled, our lives will spread Your peace.

✠ **We Listen to God's Word** ✠

**Children's Message**

*Pastor Bill*

**Anthem**

*Chancel Choir*

Christ, Upon The Mountain Stands

Robert Lehman

Christ, upon the mountain stands, vision of the Father's blessing;  
Blazing forth to all the lands, saints and angels now professing.  
Radiant Son of God divine, Jesus, now in glory shines!  
Law and prophets have their place in the cloud of wondrous glory;  
Chosen witnesses of grace, there to see and tell the story.  
Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!  
God, in majesty descends, then proclaims to all before Him:  
This is my beloved Son! Nations, come now and adore Him.  
Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!  
Faithful hearts we lift on high, joyful strains, our voices raising.  
For the vision's mystery, songs of wonder, hymns of praising.  
Radiant Son of God divine, Jesus, now in glory shines!

## Prayer for Illumination

### The Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 34:29–32 (NRSV)

<sup>29</sup> Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup> When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup> Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

L: The Word of the Lord.   **P: Thanks be to God**

### Psalm 125

#848

#### Trust in God

Trust in God and you will be sheltered for eternity.

Like a mountain strong and sure, by God's grace you will endure.

Lift your eyes to see the hills through the ages standing still.

Wrapped around the city walls, so our God surrounds us all.

In the promised holy land may the wicked never stand.

But where good and kindness reign, may the peace of God remain.

### † The Gospel Lesson

Mark 9:2–8 (NRSV)

Six days later, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup> and His clothes became dazzling bright, such as no one on earth could brighten them. <sup>4</sup> And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

<sup>5</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup> He did not know what to say, for they were terrified.

<sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to Him!"

<sup>8</sup> Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

L: This is the Holy Gospel of Christ   **P: Thanks be to God!**

*It Begins*

✠ **We Respond to God's Word** ✠

† **Hymn of Response**

#189

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

O wondrous sight, O vision fair of glory that the church shall share,  
which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the  
sun He glows!

From age to age the tale declare, how with the three disciples there,  
where Moses and Elijah meet, the Lord holds converse high and sweet.

The law and prophets there have place, two chosen witnesses of grace;  
the Father's voice from out the cloud proclaims His only Son aloud.

With shining face and bright array Christ deigns to manifest today  
what glory shall be theirs above who joy in God with perfect love.

And faithful hearts are raised on high by this great vision's mystery,  
for which in joyful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of  
praise.

† **Affirmation of Faith**

*Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.**

**Offering Acknowledgement**    *Special Offering: Organ Repair Fund*

† **Doxology**

O Father, with the eternal Son and Holy Spirit ever one,  
We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace to see Thy glory face to face.

† **Prayer of Dedication**

✠ **We Are Sent in God's Name** ✠

† **Hymn of Sending**

#182

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon My breast."

I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give  
the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live."

I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;  
look unto Me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done.

**Postlude**

*Max Jackson*

Fantasia In C Major

J S Bach

† **Charge & Benediction**

† *Standing if you are able.*

**SERVING TODAY**

Head Usher: *Jan Holbrook*

Liturgist: *Geri Willis*

## LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 70  
Backpack Ministry: \$152.00  
General Offering: \$2,664.00  
Memorial Fund: \$100.00  
Online Giving: \$753.00  
**Total Offering: \$3,669.00**

## IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### **Sunday, February 11**

Sunday Morning Study, 9:18 a.m. cancelled  
Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.  
**"Fat Tuesday" Brunch and Church Fair, Noon**  
Genesis Bible Study, 5:30 p.m.

### **Monday, February 12**

**Ministry Team Meetings, 5:30 p.m.**

### **Wednesday, February 14**

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans  
**Bells Rehearsal, 5:45 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.**  
**Cancelled this week**  
**Ash Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.**

### **Thursday, February 15**

**Paper Angels, 1 p.m.**  
**Dames + Dinner, 5:30 p.m.**

### **Ash Wednesday Service**

Join us **Wednesday, February 14** for an Ash Wednesday Service beginning at **7 p.m.** The Imposition of Ashes will be offered.

### **Attention Ladies!**

You are invited to attend a Spring meeting of the Ashland First Presbyterian Women immediately following church on **Sunday, February 18.** Questions, see Bettie George.

## Parents' Night Out

Parents, this night is for you. Parents Night Out is **Friday, February 23, 5:30 – 8 p.m.** Come, drop off the kids here at Church and then go shopping, out to eat or just go home and rest! We have planned fun activities for the kids. There will be crafts, snacks, and a whole lot of fun. Questions, see Lee McCloud (606.331.1017).

# PARENTS Night Out



## Caring With Heart New Session To Begin

We will once again offer *Caring With Heart*. It is a 6-week class that will meet on **Thursdays from 5:30–7:30 p.m.** beginning **March 7**. The class will be led by Kay Ferguson. Caring With Heart teaches principles and skills to equip you to provide quality, Christ-centered emotional and spiritual care for yourself and others. Your faith will be deepened as you learn and practice listening, caring, and loving others who need to be heard and valued. During this 6-week class you will learn skills that will help you listen to others at a deeper level, understand your feelings and those of others and explore the importance of healthy boundaries. There is a sign-up sheet located in the Narthex or see Kay Ferguson.

**Dates: March 7, 14, 28, April 4, 11, 25, and May**

## Ladies Clothing Swap

We will once again have the Ladies Clothing Swap scheduled for Saturday, **March 9 from 2 - 4 p.m.** You may begin bringing in your donated items now. Please place them in the hallway beside the kitchen. If you need anything picked up or have questions, please contact Barb Payne (606.922.6617).

## Ladies Clothing Swap



## We Need Candy!

We are collecting candy for the Kids' Easter Jam (March 23), we would like to have all donations by **Sunday, March 17**.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Week ending February 8, 2024

Rachel Chambers  
Kim Haymaker (John & Kay Ferguson's niece)  
Jane Justice  
Joe Lane (Lee McCloud's father)  
Jody Lowman (Kelly & Nanette)  
Jan Michel (Pastor Bill & Nanette)  
Family of Brody James Reynolds (Max & Lois Jackson)

### Week ending February 1, 2024

Charlie Holbrook  
Jim Price (Amy Crookes)  
Suzanne Price (Amy Crookes)  
Margaret Ruth (Kelly Hanni)  
Carol Sanderson  
Rachael Turner (Kathleen Filkins' daughter)  
Kim Whitman

### Week ending January 25, 2024

Ron Reed (Cathy Wilson)  
Tim Shepard (Bonnie Pettijohn's son)

*Prayer requests will rotate off after three weeks. If you have an ongoing concern, please contact the church office.*

**Ongoing:** Gretchen Dillon; Kenny McGill, Derek Payne; Nancy Payne, Bonnie Pettijohn, Jan Winans

**The Lantern:** Barry Barbour

**Morning Pointe:** Carolyn Graber

**Oakmont Manor:** Annie Miller

**Military:** Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, Dayton, OH, son of Kris Adkins); Cadet Katie Brown (West Point, granddaughter of Kim & Mike Whitman); Major Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, niece of Don & Judy Lilly)

# Sermon Notes

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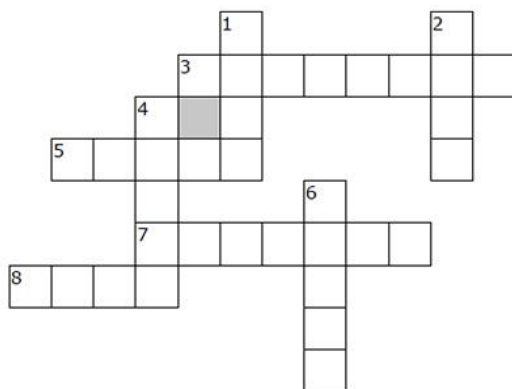
## Prayers

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## The Transfiguration

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" Matthew 17:5 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 17:1-9



### ACROSS

3. A raised part of the earth's surface, larger than a hill
5. A white or gray mass of very small drops of water that floats in the sky
7. Articles of apparel such as pants, shirts, dresses, etc.
8. To have a strong feeling of affection for someone

### DOWN

1. Something that is pleasing, enjoyable, or of high quality
2. Having a great distance from top to bottom
4. The sound produced by the vocal organs; what we use to speak
6. The color of snow or milk

HIGH  
VOICE

CLOUD  
GOOD

WHITE  
LOVE

MOUNTAIN  
CLOTHES

## STAFF

Minister: *Rev. William Pollack*  
Choirmaster/Organist: *Max Jackson*  
Administrative Assistant: *Nanette Pollack*  
Facilities Manager: *Glen Thomas*  
Nursery Attendant: *Kara Adkins*

## SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Mitch Hall*  
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Kelly Hanni*  
Treasurer: *Cathy Wilson*

2024	2025	2026
<i>Lee McCloud</i>	<i>Kelly Hanni</i>	<i>Mitch Hall*</i>
<i>J.T. Norris</i>	<i>Kim Whitman</i>	<i>Jan Holbrook</i>
<i>Cathy Wilson*</i>	<i>Geri Willis</i>	<i>Ryan Whitman*</i>
		*2nd term of service

## MINISTRY TEAMS

Building & Grounds: <i>TBD</i>	Membership: <i>Kim Whitman</i>
Christian Education: <i>Lee McCloud</i>	Mission: <i>Geri Willis</i>
Congregational Life: <i>Cathy Wilson</i>	Personnel: <i>Janet Holbrook</i>
Finance: <i>Trish Hall</i>	Worship: <i>Ryan Whitman</i>

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