Prayers and Praises

As we enjoy the warmth and safety of our home, let us be aware and pray for those who are homeless and for people in many places in the world forced to flee as refugees.

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In-Person Bulletin for Worship Transfiguration of the Lord February 27, 2022 9:00 am Service (* = please stand as you are able)

Prelude "To God Be the Glory"

Announcements

Lit candle is brought in reminding us of Christ in our Midst.

*Call to Worship

Come, let us worship God, singing joyful songs of praise! For the glory of the Lord shines upon us and calls us forth with thanksgiving. Let us turn to the mountaintop and give God the glory. Come, let us worship our glorious, life-giving God!

*Prayer of Adoration Our God, how endless is your love! Your gifts are every evening new; And morning mercies from above Gently distill like early dews. You spread the curtains of the night, Great Guardian of our sleeping hours; Your sovereign word restores the light, And quickens all our waking powers. We yield our powers to your command, To you we consecrate our days; Perpetual blessings from your hand Demand perpetual songs of praise. (Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.)

*Hymn #485 "To God be the Glory"

*Call to Confession

As beloved children of God, we too often shall short of our calling. Yet, in hope and with boldness we confess our sins together, trusting God will hear us with mercy and love.

Let us confess our sins to God and to one another.

arranged by Jack Schrader

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* Confession

Holy Lord, we confess we do not always seek the light of your way.

We are happy to simply dwell in darkness, holding fast to the comforts of material fortune; ignoring the needs of others, and selfishly looking the other way when our neighbors are oppressed.

In your merciful way, help us to establish your justice in the world.

Move us to protect creation and ensure equality, that all our siblings may have a share of your abundance and the safety of your peace, and that the light of your face may shine upon all creation. God, forgive us. Lord, hear our praver.

> Silent Confession (in the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)

*Pardon

The Lord our God answers our prayers. The Holy One forgives our sins. My friends, believe the good news of God. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven, and we are at peace with God and one another.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and are at peace. Thanks be to God. Amen!

*Hymn #577 "Glory Be to the Father"



Scripture: Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his

clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

(Picture from https://www.britannica.com/place/Appalachian-Mountains)

***Hymn #376** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (sung to tune Beecher, #343)

Message "A Taste of Things to Come!" **Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

The Lord's Praver

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.

The Offering

Offering: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (Beecher) arranged by Donald F. Marsh (We encourage you to share from your abundance to support the ministries and outreach of our church. You may give in person during the service, mail your check to our church office or give electronically through our website.) *Offertory #592 "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication

*Praise and Worship Hymnal #142 "Shine, Jesus Shine"

*Benediction

Postlude "Shine, Jesus Shine"

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