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\*Means you are **invited to stand** if able and comfortable.

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**WE GATHER TOGETHER**

**Prelude** Harlan Otter

**Words to ponder**  
See the glory of the Lord. Shine with the glory of God.

**Welcome and Announcements** Ed Dayton

**Introit** Singing Choir

**\*Call to Worship** Patty Dayton

Mighty Ruler,  
**Most High,**  
Lover of Justice,  
**Mystery Hidden in Cloud,**  
Great King,  
**Forgiving God,**  
Enthroned One,  
**Mountain Dweller;**  
You are exalted over all people.  
**We praise your great and awesome name.**  
We worship at your holy mountain.  
**For you, O God, are holy!**

**\*Opening Prayer**  
Holy God, bring us to your mountaintop.  
We come to talk with you today.  
We come to listen to what you have to say.  
We come to sense your glory— a glory that can transform our lives.  
May Jesus, your Son and your chosen one, and may the Spirit of freedom and glory, shine upon us and cause us to shine like the sun. Amen.

**\*Hymn of Praise** "O Wondrous Sight" (v1-2&5) #258

**\*Passing of the Peace of Christ** Pastor Ed

**Children's Message** Pastor Ed

**WE HEAR THE WORD**

**Prayer of Confession** Patty Dayton  
Mighty, tender, and forgiving God, talk of your radiant glory sometimes leaves us feeling lackluster. We face daily challenges that can dull the shine of our lives.  
When we figure these challenges out, we feel good at our success, but when we are unable, we feel

unsure, afraid, and confused.  
We sometimes wonder if we have the capacity to shine with your light in a world full of darkness. Polish the mirror of our lives, that we might reflect your light more each day, even in times of fear and uncertainty. Amen.

**Words of Assurance** Pastor Ed

**Hymn of Response** "Spirit of the Living God" (x2) #393

**Scripture Reading** Exodus 34:29-35 Patty Dayton

**The Shining Face of Moses**  
**29** Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant<sup>[a]</sup> in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. **30** When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. **31** But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. **32** Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. **33** When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; **34** but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, **35** the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

*(Musical interlude)*

**\*Gospel Reading** Luke 9:28-36 Patty Dayton

**The Transfiguration**  
**28** Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus<sup>[a]</sup> took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. **29** And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. **30** Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. **31** They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. **32** Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake,<sup>[b]</sup> they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. **33** Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings,<sup>[c]</sup> one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. **34** While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. **35** Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen;<sup>[d]</sup> listen to him!" **36** 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.

**Reflecting on God's Message** "This is my son; Listen to Him." Pastor Ed

**Prayers of the People**

**Offertory anthem** Singing Choir

**Invitation of the Offering** musical selection by Harlan Otter

**\*Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH # 95  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, Ye heavenly Host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen

**Offering Prayer** Pastor Ed  
Jesus, Child of God, Chosen of God, you shone upon the mountain with your glory.  
You shone in many other ways, as you healed the sick and fed the hungry.  
You continue to shine today, every time we follow your loving example.  
Bless our gifts of every kind— our energy and talent, our treasure and mission.  
May your light shine through these gifts, that our world may be transformed by your power. Amen.

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

**\*Sending Hymn** "Be Thou My Vision" #451

**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.**  
**Do not let us fall into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Benediction**  
**Postlude** Harlan Otter

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## **Transfiguration Sunday | 2.27.2022 | 9:30am**

*You are invited to worship with us in the quiet of prayer, in the joy of song,  
and in the desire to grow in the grace and knowledge of our LORD Jesus Christ.  
Part of our mission is to be a place for all people. All are welcome here!  
Whatever your gender identity, age, race, religious background, economic status,  
sexual orientation or condition of ableness, we greet you as a beloved child of God.*