

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 19, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship pads and pass them back to the center aisle.

After worship, please greet your neighbors by name.

Our Approach to God

Prelude "Solemn Processional" Robert A. Harris

*The Presentation of Colors

*The Pledge of Allegiance

The Call to Worship

Great is the Lord – **exalted among the nations.**

Mighty is the Lord – **King of heaven and earth.**

Holy is the Lord – **beyond our understanding.**

Let us proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God!

We worship and praise God!

*The Hymns of Praise Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 263

*The Call to Confession (Based on Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16)

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

*The Prayer of Confession

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ we behold your transforming light, yet we continue to live in darkness. Preoccupied with ourselves, we fail to see your work in the world. We speak when we should listen; we act when we should reflect. [Silent confession.]

Empower us to live in your light and to walk in your ways for the sake of him who is the light of the world, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon (Based on 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24)

Hear the good news: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*The Response On Eagle's Wings (chorus)

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.

The Boy Scout Presentation John Stadler

The Anthem "Glory In God's Love" Angerman & Martin
Chancel Choir

The Word of God

The Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9 page 24 NT

The New Testament Reading 2 Peter 1:16-21 page 321 NT

The Sermon Rev. Ruth Estell

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith (Philippians 2:5-11)

We believe in Jesus Christ, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

Therefore, God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*The Hymn Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory 73

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

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.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory "Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier" George Walker

*The Doxology

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.

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Hymn "O Jesus, I Have Promised" 388

*The Charge and Benediction

*The Congregational Response *Go with us, Lord* 535

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, That in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.

*Postlude Fantasy on Kremser Mark Fax

* Congregation Standing - for those who are able.

Liturgist: Boy Scouts

Greeters: Sandra Rease

Ushers: Pete & Ginny Brucker, Tom Poole, and Alan Poplewski

Fellowship Hour: Pancake Breakfast

Our worship music selections throughout February are inspired in part by the African American musical heritage in celebration of Black History Month.

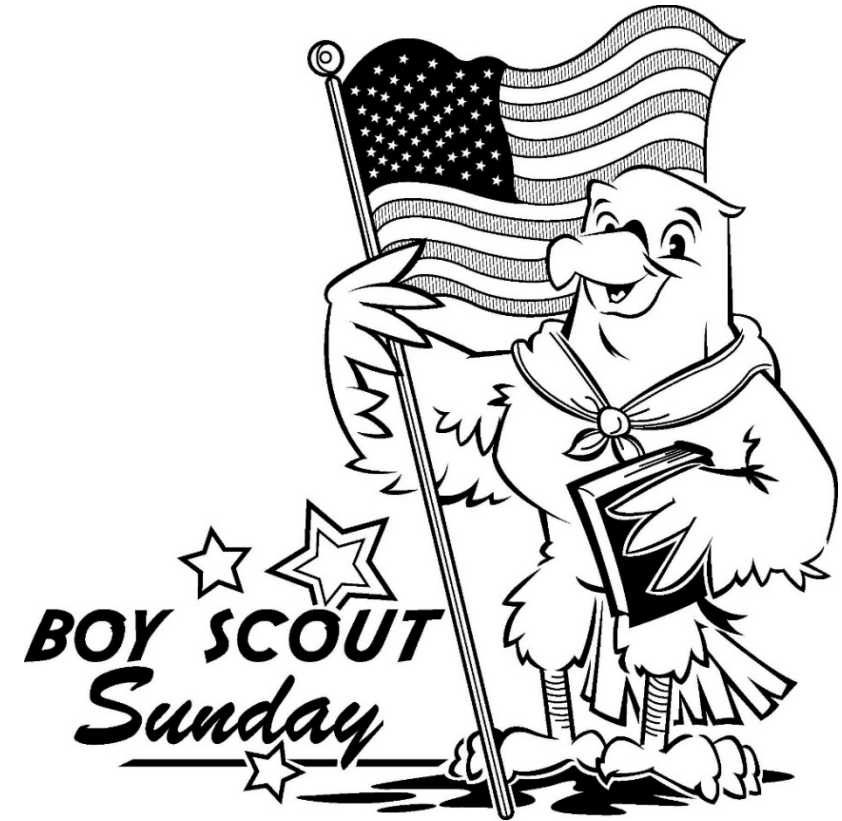
Please join us immediately following worship in Fellowship Hall for the Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast

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Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Worship will be a joint service with Rev. Ruth Estell and Rev Ted McCulloch from First Presbyterian Church at **Second Presbyterian Church** February 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

Music and Worship Committee



We need your help!! The Music and Worship Committee is looking for volunteers to help with Fellowship Hour, Liturgists, Greeters and Ushers on Sundays. There are sign-up sheets available so please look for a Sunday service you can help! Thank you for supporting Second Presbyterian Church! We also need some people willing to learn and help with the

Live-Stream operations. Please see Linda Poplewski, Fred Herter, Karen Schadel or Bruce Smith if you are interested in learning the live-stream process.



Feeding Individuals Sharing Hope – F.I.S.H.

On communion Sundays we collect food for the First Presbyterian Church Food Pantry. We know that it is our privilege to feed the hungry and care for the poor as we are fed and sustained by the grace of God. Please bring your non-perishable food and place them on the table in the main hallway on **Sunday, February 26**.

Easter Flowers



We will decorate our sanctuary this year with Daffodils, Tulips and Hyacinth for the Easter Sunday service. If you would like to order one in honor or memory of someone, there are order forms and envelopes on the table in the gathering area. Flowers are in 8” pots with foil for \$10 each and **must be ordered** by March 19. Easter Sunday is April, 9.

The church office will continue to be open Monday -Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please call (989) 792-1023 if you need to schedule a different time to come and conduct any church business.

Mission Minutes



The Rescue Mission’s goal, through the **Operation Hope and Care** project, is to provide basic, personal hygiene items to hundreds of needy men, women, and children in the Mid-Michigan area. These hygiene items can bring a sense of relief to those desperately in need in our community.

Please fill a bag or tote to bring the items to church. Here is a list of items that the Rescue Mission has requested. **Please bring back to the church by Sunday, February 26.**

Kids 3-in-1 Wash Body Wash & Scrubby Antibacterial Liquid Soap Lip Balm Shaving Cream (Men’s & Women’s) Hand & Body Lotion Deodorant (Men’s and Women’s) Tissues Anti-bacterial Wipes

You do not have to fill a bag; we will take whatever you can donate.

Dine-In Fish Fry

Mark your calendars for our next Fish Fry on **Friday, March 17, 2023!** We will



need plenty of help to make this fish fry a success. Please keep an eye on Facebook to share our event! In the future, sign-up sheets will be in the gathering area. Proceeds from the sale go to the Presbyterian Men’s Group, which performs many of the maintenance jobs around the church.

Please let one of the following individuals know if you are willing the help:

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“On behalf of my wife MaryJo, who has been dealing with and fighting thru her cancer diagnosis, treatment, surgery and now post operative treatment and recovery, we wish with a heartfelt thanks to everyone for their cards of inspiration and encouragement, as well as their prayers and well wishes. We know that without our faith in God and all the prayers from the congregation, the outcome would have been different. Thank You One and All and may God Bless You.” - Jim & MaryJo Mundell