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WE ARE A NURTURING,
VIBRANT CONGREGATION,
REACHING OUT TO
THE COMMUNITY AND
STANDING AS A BEACON
OF CHRIST'S LOVE
AND PROMISE.



February 19, 2023

10:30 a.m.

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Sharing the Life of the Church

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AS WE CELEBRATE THE TRANSFIGURATION AND CATCH A GLIMPSE OF JESUS' DIVINE GLORY.

This morning we extend a warm welcome to our **new Organist, Mr. Scott Rockhold**. Scott studied music at Marietta College and was organist at First United Methodist Church in Williamstown. He is from Parkersburg and comes from a very musical family. We welcome him and the joy and talent he brings to us.

Coffee Hour - Join us at 10 a.m. in the Harris Room for light snacks and fellowship.

The Genevans - Today is the deadline to sign up as a host for The Genevans choir. The choir will present a concert in our Sanctuary on **Friday, March 3, at 7 p.m.** We will help provide housing for 50 students and three chaperones, as well as provide a pre-concert meal for them. Please consider hosting one or more of these students and chaperones on Friday night. This includes providing a snack following the concert, breakfast on Saturday morning, and a ride back to the church by 9 a.m. Signups are in the foyer.

This Tuesday, February 21, we will have a **FAT TUESDAY** pancake meal at **6 p.m. in the Harris Room**. Please sign up in the foyer. (There is no Gathering on February 22, Ash Wednesday.)

Ash Wednesday (the beginning of Lent) is **this Wednesday, February 22**. Pastor Annie will offer drive-up imposition of ashes at the front door from **12:00 - 1:30**. Then at **6:30 p.m.** we will gather for worship in the Sanctuary, with ashes and Communion. Please join us.

190th Anniversary Celebration - First Presbyterian will celebrate its 190th Anniversary the weekend of **February 25 and 26**. One of the activities planned is a workday at MOV Fellowship Home beginning at **9 a.m.** Sign up in the foyer if you'd like to help.

We will also join together for a potluck luncheon following a special time of worship on **Sunday, February 26**. Signups for the meal are also in the foyer.

Church Town Hall - The Session invites you to attend a special town hall meeting **Tuesday, February 28, 6:30 p.m. in the Harris Room**. They will share information about the church's budget, plans for supporting the church in 2023, and ideas for sustaining our work over the next decade.

Lenten Book Study - Pastor Annie will begin a Lenten book study **Wednesday, March 1, at 6:30 p.m.** The study is based on Philip Yancey's book *What's So Amazing About Grace?* If you wish to attend, please sign up in the foyer **NOW** so books may be ordered.

Congregational Meeting - Our annual meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, March 19**. On that day we will combine both worship services, meeting at **9:30 a.m.** in the Sanctuary, and our meeting will follow at 10:30. Please mark your calendars now for this change in our regular schedule.

Sympathy - We offer our love, sympathy and prayers to Joe Finley upon the recent death of his mother, Lucy Finley.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 19, 2023

10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Preparation for Worship

Welcome

Minute for Mission: Missions / Snack Drive

Elder Morgan James

Prelude

Like a River in Springtime

Williams / arr. Warriner

*Call to Worship

On mountaintops and in deep valleys;
at home, at work, at play, and at rest,

Jesus is the light of the world.

Let the radiance of Christ be evident among us:

in our songs and our words;

in our deepest thoughts and desires;

in the youthful and the experienced,

the exhausted and the energetic.

We are here together. Let us see one another in the light of Jesus.

We join our voices and our hearts in praise.

*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

***God of the mountaintop and of the plain,
we remember today the Transfiguration of Jesus.***

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,

through Jesus Christ, who is the light. Amen.

*Hymn 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

Children's Time

Cents-Ability Offering

Confession and Pardon

Call to Confession

*Those who are able, please stand.

Prayer of Confession

*God of glory, we want to walk with Moses
and see your holy radiance.
And yet we hide in the mist of our own desires,
unable to perceive the presence of your grace.
You shine with perfect beauty,
but we turn away from your presence.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Shine in our hearts this day
through the light of your Word
so that we may glorify you forever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

SILENCE for personal confession ...

Words of Assurance and Pardon

Listen to the sound of the waters and remember
that in baptism you have been marked as a beloved child of God.
In the blazing light of God's grace,
Jesus touches us to say, "Get up and do not be afraid."
In the love of Jesus Christ, you are loved forever.
Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response

Hymn 581

Glory Be to the Father

Glory to God
GLORIA PATRI

***Ritual of Friendship**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Exchange words of peace and greetings with those around you.

Sharing the Life of the Church**GROWING**

Hymn 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

RESIGNATION

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit.
Speak your word into our hearts this day
that it may kindle a light in us. Amen.

Scripture

Exodus 24:12-18
The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

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Scripture

Matthew 17:1-9
The gospel of the Lord
Praise be to you, O Christ!

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Sermon

“WHEN GOD SPEAKS”

Rev. Annie McMillan

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come
to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.*

CARING

The Offering

Servant's Heart

Hamilton / arr. Lopez

*The Doxology
Hymn 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Glory to God
OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

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Installation of Church Officers

The Presentation

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Installation

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Declaration of Installation

GOING

***Hymn 192**

Shine, Jesus, Shine

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

***Benediction and Sending Forth**

The Postlude

Trumpet Air

Purcell / arr. Smith



PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Beadles - *Connor Buchanan, Audrey Hickman*

Liturgist - *Mikki Bosley*

Sound Technician - *Matt Buchanan*

*Those who are able, please stand.

Prayer List – Please remember the following in your prayers:

Jo Ann Holder
Phillip Irvine
John B. White
Fleming Family
Alex Morgado
Judy Stephens
Katy Stephens
Bernice Lemley
Ruth Ann Huddle
Marianne Mason
Doug Anderson

Joe Finley & Family
Cunningham Family
Melanie Thompson
Wayne & Carol Sanders
Becky Holdren & family
Charlotte Johnson
Roy Clark & Family
Megan Dougherty
Homebound Members
Troops – World Peace

Art Bennett
Dan Ellis
Dave Bell
Vince Eades
Jean Singer
Brad Carter
Barb Easter
Mary Slater
Doris Dunn
Mysti Ruble
Bill Niday

We continue with our Lenten Worship Series

AMAZING GRACE

Theme for next Sunday, February 26 - First Sunday in Lent

Isaiah of Babylon

SERIES TEXTS:

Psalm 32:1-5

Isaiah 6:1-8

Romans 10:14-17

Matthew 9:35-38



THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, February 19 **Transfiguration of the Lord**

Cents-Ability Offering

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer - Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour - Harris Room
10:15 a.m. - Coffee with the Pastor
- 10:30 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day - Sanctuary

Monday, February 20 *No school* / **President's Day**

Tuesday, February 21

- 4:30 p.m. Founders' Trust Meeting - Room 204
- 6:00 p.m. Pancake Dinner - Harris Room
PW Board - Harris Room

Wednesday, February 22

- 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Drive-up ashes at front door
- 6:30 p.m. Worship - Sanctuary / *Communion*
Lenten Worship Series Begins



Thursday, February 23

- 6:00 p.m. Mission Committee - Room 204
- 7:15 p.m. Troop 3 Boy Scouts - Scout House

~ **190TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** ~

Saturday, February 25

- 8:30 a.m. Saturday Stewards - Harris Room
- 9:00 a.m. Workday at MOV Fellowship Home
- 12:00 p.m. HA Meeting - Room 204

Sunday, February 26 **First Sunday in Lent**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer - Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour - Harris Room
10:15 a.m. - Coffee with the Pastor
- 10:30 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day - Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. **Anniversary Potluck Luncheon** - Harris Room