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Transfiguration Sunday

February 26, 2017

Please remember to turn off your cell phones during the Worship Service. Thank you.

Preparation Music

(Please be seated and prepare yourself for worship)

The Entrance of the Light

Welcome

Moments of Concerns and Announcements

*Ringing of the Bell

***Introit**

First Time-Choir sings alone.

(Second Time-Congregation joins in.)

Come into his presence with thanksgiving in your heart

And give him praise, and give him praise.

Come into his presence with thanksgiving in your heart

Your voices raise, your voices raise,

Give glory and honor and power unto him, _____

Jesus, the name above all names.

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*Opening Prayer

***Hymn #182 “We Have Come at Christ’s Own Bidding”**

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 17:1-9

Prayer of Confession

All: Forgive us, God, when we linger too long by the waters, and on the mountain tops, enthralled with the glory that flows from you. When we fail to listen to your voice leading and guiding us, shake us from our contentment and send us forward endowed with your power. Amen.

A Moment of Silent Reflection

Kyrie # 750

All: Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

*Act of Praise..... #760

(Please stand)

All: Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen, Amen! Amen, Amen!

Amen we praise your name, O God!

*The Passing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Please share a greeting of Christian love with those sitting around you.

A Time for Children: “Jesus Shines”

Anthem: “I Believe in Miracles”

Sermon: “Dazzled by Jesus”

***Hymn #44 “Beautiful Jesus”**

Our Morning Prayers

The Candle of Remembrance is lit in hope that the Holy Spirit would bring peace to the world. In lighting it we remember all past and present military personnel and first responders, especially those in harm’s way.

Call to Prayer “Pray”

All: Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____, for peace within our world ____.
Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____, for peace within our souls ____.
Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____, for love and unity _____;
Quiet our busy hearts, Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____ .
Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____.

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer,
Prayer of Our Savior (spoken)

All: 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

Our Time of Sharing

Invitation to the Offering, The Sharing of Gifts

Offering Music

*Offertory Response “We Are Giving in the Light of God” (526)

All: We are giving in the light of God,

We are giving in the light of God. (Repeat previous 2 lines)

We are giving, giving, we are giving, Oo,

We are giving in the light of God. (Repeat previous 2 lines)

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn #43 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Verses 1, 2, 4
(omit verse 3)**

*The Benediction

***Benediction Response #136**

All: Jesus, Jesus, oh what a wonderful child.

Jesus, Jesus, so holy meek and mild:

New life, new hope the child will bring.

Listen, to the Angels sing,

“Glory, glory, glory,” let the heavens ring!

*Postlude

Denmark Manor seeks the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as we work together through.....

The Congregation.....Disciples of Christ

Rev. Meredith Ann Hutchison.....Pastor

Irina Thomas.....Organist and Keyboard

Rheba Salac.....Administrative Assistant

Wade Anderson.....Sexton

Joyfa Kelly, Dave Conner, Allen and Joni MatteiToday’s Readers

Did you know that thanks to your generosity we received \$251 from our Souper Bowl of Caring offering that was received on February 5? These funds will go to support the Penn-Trafford Backpack program for children who are at risk for hunger. Thank you for your generosity.

This week:



This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. We offer a service of penitence and Holy Communion. Ashes are offered to those who wish to receive them.

The choir will rehearse after the worship service.

Saturday-Bible Study at Murrysville Panera. No previous knowledge of the Bible required.

Lenten Cluster Get-togethers:

RETHINK CHURCH 101

Our Gatherings with the United Church of Christ Churches in our Cluster will be different this year as we think about **Reimagining Church**.

The first gathering will be at Emmanuel Reformed Church (Hill's Church) 3618 Hills Church Road, Export on March 8 at noon, beginning with lunch. The topic of conversation will be "A Brave New World."

The second gathering will be March 22 at First UCC in Harrison City, 1008 Harrison City-Export Road, Harrison City at 7:30PM. The topic will be "Changing World, Changing Church."

Finally, we will meet on April 5 here at Denmark Manor, beginning with dinner at 6:30 and the discussion and worship at 7:30PM. The focus will be "Where Do We Go from Here?" We will conclude with worship, the Rev. David Ackerman-Penn West Conference Minister, preaching.



Looking ahead: On Palm Sunday (April 9) we will hear the Passion Story as told in the Gospel of Matthew.



During Holy Week, we celebrate Maundy Thursday with a simple meal of soup and bread at 6:30PM. This is followed by communion in the Fellowship Hall and a silent procession into the Sanctuary for a Tenebrae Service of light and darkness.



Easter Sunday is April 16. Please spread the word that there will only be ONE service and it will be at **10:00AM**.

Our Annual Beef Dinner is April 29.

OGHS – One Great Hour of Sharing to begin on March 5, the First Sunday of Lent.



God is most tangibly present in this world where people hunger, thirst, lack adequate clothing and shelter, and are sick or imprisoned. Christ is so present in them that when you care for them – you feed, care for, and welcome Christ. OGHS is a one of our 5-for-5 Wider Mission projects, a mission calling of Denmark Manor United Church of Christ. **Banks for your OGHS Gifts will be available on March 5.**



About Our Prayer List

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. I Thessalonians 5:16

It has been quite some time since we provided an up-to-date prayer list for you, and we invite your input into our list. You will note that the list as it is found on the back of today's bulletin is considerably smaller than in previous weeks.

If you do not see someone's name, and you would like for them to be listed (and you have their permission), there is a clear plastic box in the back of the sanctuary for your prayer concerns. Simply fill out the form and put it in the box. Be sure to include your name along with the name of the person for whom you are requesting prayers.

If we have omitted someone, it is not because we do not care. It is simply because we are doing our best to be faithful in our prayers.

Of course, keep in mind that we all need prayer and we should always "bear one another's burdens." (Galatians 6)

Pastor Meredith

Attendance for February 19: 52

Offering for February 19: \$1,534.00

Souper Bowl Collection: \$251.00