

# The Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 11, 2024

9:00 a.m.

+ Indicates those times when all who are able may stand.  
**Bold indicates congregational response.**

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude "Father, Heavenly Father" Shea

Call to Worship

From the rising of the sun to its setting

**God speaks to us and summons us.**

God gathers us in covenant,

**God's glory shines forth.**

Let us worship God!

Gathering Prayer

Let us pray.

**Mighty God, you call to us. You call to the heavens and to the earth in covenant. And so we call to you: be present as we worship. Gather us, that we may hear your voice and respond to your ways of righteousness. We pray in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

First Reading of Scripture

Mark 9:2-9 CEB

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church...

**Thanks be to God!**

+ Opening Hymn No. 477 "Come and Find the Quiet Center"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Mighty God, you call to us and summon us to live in covenant and walk in righteousness, yet we forsake your covenant and walk in ways of injustice, ignorance, or disdain. Your beauty shines forth in creation, yet we abuse and tarnish what you have created. May we be willing to do the hard thing: may we see what is happening. May we see what we do. Renew us. Let us receive a double portion of your renewing spirit. Amen.**

Words of Grace

God's glory shines forth, and God judges with grace and with mercy.

God gives us renewed life and our spirits rise. By the grace of God, you are forgiven!

**Praise be to God, Amen.**

Giving from Our Hearts



*It is the generosity of the friends and members of this church which supports this ministry. Over 95% of our budget is directly supported through our offering. While the ministry at Zion is sustained by more than dollars and cents, the monetary giving is vital to the work we do. We give thanks for all who have supported Zion over the years. For those contributing financially: There is an offering plate just outside the sanctuary or you can donate online through the online giving button at [zionunion.org](http://zionunion.org).*

+ Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

+ Prayer of Dedication

**Mighty God, you live, and you do not leave us. With these gifts, we do not leave each other but use them in mutual support. Bless those who receive and benefit from these gifts. May they know your presence with them. With these gifts, our prayers rise up to you. Amen.**

Second Reading of Scripture  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church...  
**Thanks be to God!**

Mark 2:13-22 CEB

**We commit ourselves...**  
**to worship God**  
**to form faithful followers of Jesus**  
**and to care for our wider community.**  
*We care as Christ cares.*

Anthem  
"Healing Grace"  
Chancel Choir

Sermon

Pastoral Prayer and The Prayer of Our Savior

**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.**

+ Closing Hymn No. 551 "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning"

+ Benediction

+ Postlude "Little Toccata" Curtis

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*Today's Call to Worship, Opening Prayer, Confession Liturgy and Prayer of Dedication was written by The Rev. Stephanie Perdew, PhD, Director, The Damascus Project, Shared Theological Education Ministry of the Wisconsin & Minnesota Conferences of the United Church of Christ. <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/transfiguration-sunday-b-february-11/>*

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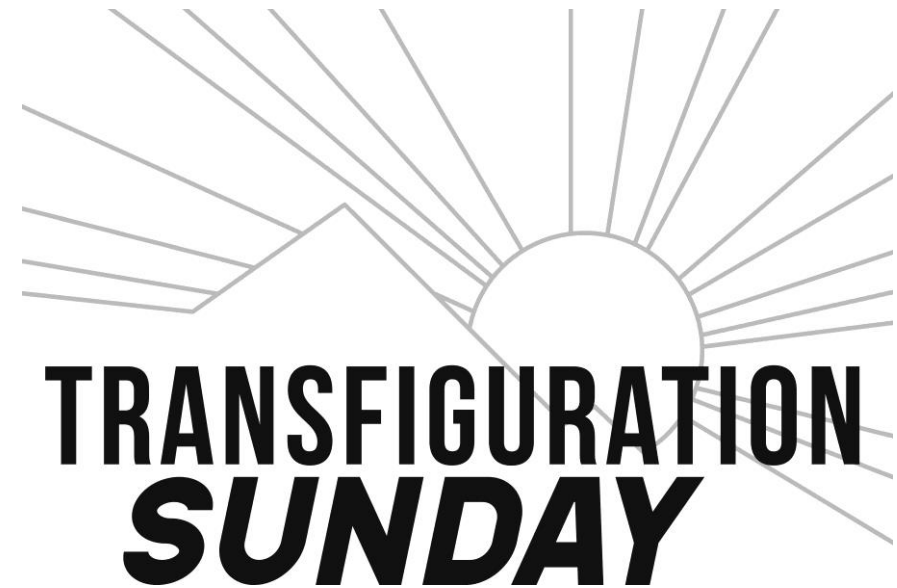
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