## MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Interim minister: Rev. Lyn Lamers** 

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY February 19, 2023

**Duty Elder: Harald Magnus** Scripture Reader: Loretta Clague

Musicians: Sheryl Cale, Rosemary Brown

\*When this symbol appears please stand if you are able

Musical Prelude – Time for Quiet Meditation

**Welcome and Announcements** 

## **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: Beyond our busyness, Above the cold winter floor there is a glory rising born of heaven and reaching out to each one of us

All: a light that shines through the clouds an invitation seeking all of who we are

that transfigures the world

One: that transforms darkness into hope

that brings life from a cross

where old life ends and new life is born

All: In glory Jesus meets us here

raising us from depths of valley to the height of the mountain

carrying the weight of our humanity to the heights of heavens glory.

One: Let us worship from the mountain and hear again

"This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

\*Hymn: # 290 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

PRAYERS OF ADORATION:

**Prayer of Confession:** 

God of Mercy and Grace,

you come to us in Jesus of Nazareth

to break down the dividing walls of hostility between us:

Yet we maintain walls that separate and isolate.

You give us the ministry of reconciliation:

Yet we nurse our wounds and withhold mercy and forgiveness.

You invite us to join with Peter, James, and John

on the mountain of Transfiguration:

Yet we deny the wonders you have worked in our own lives.

You ask us to acknowledge and share our wealth:

Yet we refuse to recognize and relieve the poverty around us.

You bless our lives with boundless love:

Yet we fail to witness to that love, and so keep others from knowing you.

Forgive our selfishness, we pray.

Transform us by your Spirit and your Word into that which pleases you, the image of Christ. In the name of our Savior,

Jesus, Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

Time for the young at heart

\*Hymn: #746 What a friend we have in Jesus

**Prayer of Illumination** 

Responsive Reading: Psalm 99 Page 552
Scripture Lessons Matthew 17:1-9 Page 18
2 Peter 1:16-21 Page 236

**Anthem: Be Joyful and Sing** 

Sermon: Changed Silence for Reflection

Hymn: #445 Open our eyes Lord

The Offering of our Gifts

\* The Doxology: # 830 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

\* Prayer of Dedication

The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

\* **Hymn**: # **571** Lord I want to be a Christian

\* Benediction and Choral Amen

Please sign up for the AGM potluck lunch February 26.

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