# Sunday, February 11, 2024

Transfiguration of the Lord

Greeters Susan Espiritu, Gail Giffin Ushers Darlene Miller, Jon Miller

Liturgist Diana Davis

Music Bob Eubanks, Nancy Wells, George Hill, FCPC Choral Ensemble

Interim Pastor Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

#### **Announcements**

**Souper Bowl Sunday is today!** FCPC Youth will serve a meal in the Fellowship Hall after worship. Donations will enable FCPC Youth to continue their mission of feeding formerly homeless people at Volunteer Ministry Center's (VMC's) Minvilla Apartments. Your generous support has sustained this mission for 35 years. Please join us for a delicious meal, which will include the same pasta and banana pudding the Youth prepare and serve on the second Sunday of every month at Minvilla. Gluten free/vegetarian pasta will also be available.

**Ash Wednesday Service**, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the McCorkle Chapel.

**Lunch Bunch** is headed to El Chico's Mexican Restaurant on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Plan to meet at the restaurant at 11am. Please let Susan Espiritu know if you plan to attend. Everyone is welcome!

*The Annual Congregational Meeting* is scheduled for February 18th following worship.

Want the help the youth? You can do so by providing a meal for them on a Wednesday or Sunday evening. See Linda Sullivan or Susan Espiritu or check in the Weekly Word for a link to sign up.

Session meets this Wednesday at 7pm in the Fireside.

**Confirmation** begins next Sunday, February 18th at 5pm during regular youth time.



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#### **Prelude**

Word of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Diana Davis

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song!

All: Sing God's praise from the ends of the earth! Leader: For God has made our darkness into light, All: And brought peace to His people in the land!

\*Hymn #747 There Is Sunshine In My Soul Today (verses 1, 3, 5)

There is sunshine in my soul today, More glorious and bright Than glows in any earthly sky, For Jesus is my light.

### Refrain:

O there's sunshine, blessed sunshine, When the peaceful happy moments roll: When Jesus shows His smiling face, There is sunshine in the soul.

There is music in my soul today, For when the Lord is near, The dove of peace sings in my heart, The flowers of grace appear. [Refrain]

There is gladness in my soul today, And hope and love and praise, For blessings which He gives me now, For joys in future days.. [Refrain]

**Ritual of Friendship**Diana Davis

Members and Guests – Please sign and pass the friendship register located on the center aisle under the pew in front

Call to Confession Diana Davis

Leader: "The LORD your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel, says: 'You have burdened me with your sins and wearied me with your evil actions. I, and I alone, am the One who wipes out your rebellious behavior for my Name's sake." Let us turn to our God and confess our sins.

# **Prayer of Confession** (from Psalm 38)

Diana Davis

All: Please LORD, don't treat me like an enemy when you are furious. My wrongdoings are stacked higher than my head, they are a weight that's too heavy for me. But I wait for you LORD! You will answer, my Lord and my God! Yes, I confess my wrongdoing, I'm anxious about my sin. Don't leave me all alone LORD, please don't be far from me God! Come quickly and help me, for you are my Lord and my salvation!

(Time for Silent Confession)

## Assurance of Forgiveness and Peace

Diana Davis

Leader: The prophet Isaiah declares, "You have been saved by the LORD of everlasting salvation! You won't be shamed, and you won't be disgraced forever and always!"

\*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

\*Passing the Peace

Diana Davis

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all

All: And also with you

**Anthem** Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, Leaning on the everlasting arms; What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;

Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, Leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Leaning on the everlasting arms; I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;

Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

I'm leaning on Jesus! Yes, I am leaning on the everlasting arms!

Children age 5 through middle school are invited to Children's Worship, please meet the adult volunteers in the back of the sanctuary at this time.

**Prayer of Illumination** 

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Scripture Reading Matthew 7:1-12

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**Sermon** Logs and Fishes

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\*Hymn #424 The Servant Song (verses 1, 2, 5)

Brother, sister, let me serve you, Let me be as Christ to you. Pray that I might have the grace To let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey. We are brothers on the road. We are here to help each other Walk the mile and bear the load.

When we sing to God in heaven, We shall find such harmony Born of all we've known together Of Christ's love and agony.

### Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

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

Call for Offering Diana Davis

Leader: Let's worship God with our tithes and offerings.

## **Offertory**

\*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

\*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

\*Hymn #665 O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

O Master, let me walk with thee In lowly paths of service free; Tell me thy secret, help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear, winning word of love; Teach me the wayward feet to stay, And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee In closer, dearer company, In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray Far down the future's broad'ning way, In peace that only thou canst give, With thee, O Master, let me live.

# \*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

\*Congregational Benediction

Make us one, Lord, make us one; Holy Spirit, make us one. Let your love flow so the world will know we are one in you

**Postlude**