

February 19, 2023



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"Do Not Be Afraid"

Matthew 17:1-9

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

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Transfiguration Sunday

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude *Come, O Traveler Unknown* (B. Portman) Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton

Introit *Jubilation Fanfare* (Sandra Eithun) Federated Bell Choir

* **Call to Worship** (*responsive*) Ruth Eberlein-Kershner

One: Let's go up the mountain!

All: Let's go up to the place where the land meets the sky!

One: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

All: God calls us to be God's people.

One: As Jesus called to his disciples to climb with him,

All: Jesus calls us to follow wherever he leads.

One: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,

All: we are called to worship in wonder and without fear.

One: Let's go up to the mountain!

All: Let's go to the place in our hearts where God speaks!

* **Passing of Christ's Peace**
(Children from grades K-8 leave for Sunday School)

* **Hymn** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* No. 66

Opening Prayer (*unison*) Ruth Eberlein-Kershner

Holy One, Light of light, God of all creation,

long ago you showed yourself

to the disciples in Jesus' transfiguration—

his face glowing like a field of daffodils

on a bright, spring morning.

Show us your dazzling glory

* Those who are able stand

**** Worshipers may be seated

hidden in the monotony
of our wondrous, everyday lives.
Shine in us, around us, and through us,
that the world may see you
in the faces of your people—
faces transfigured in the light of your love. Amen.

Generosity Impact Moment

Rev. Betsy Wooster

Invitation to Generosity

Rev. Wooster

Anthem

Fantasy on Ebenezer (Sandra Eithun)

Federated Bell Choir

*** Doxology**

No. 47

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

• 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

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Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer

Rev. Wooster

*** Hymn**

Transform Us

No. 182

Scripture

Matthew 17:1-9

Rev. Throckmorton

Sermon

Rev. Throckmorton

*** Hymn**

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

[see words on back]



This Sanctuary is equipped with a **Hearing Loop system** that works with all **Telecoil-equipped hearing aids** to amplify sound with excellent clarity.

* **Benediction**

Rev. Throckmorton

Postlude

Hyfrydol. (R. Vaughan Williams)

Marcia Snavelly, organ

~ *Departing to Service* ~

"We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"

We have come at Christ's own bidding
to this high and holy place,
where we wait with hope and longing
for some token of God's grace.
Here we pray for new assurance
that our faith is not in vain,
searching like those first disciples
for a sign both clear and plain.

Light breaks through our clouds and shadows,
splendor bathes the flesh-joined Word,
Moses and Elijah marvel
as the heavenly voice is heard.
Eyes and hearts behold with wonder
how the Law and Prophets meet:
Christ with garments drenched in brightness,
stands transfigured and complete.

Strengthened by this glimpse of glory,
fearful lest our faith decline,
we, like Peter, find it tempting
to remain and build a shrine.
But true worship gives us courage
to proclaim what we profess,
that our daily lives may prove us
people of the God we bless.

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, February 26th, 10 AM

First Sunday of Lent

Annual Meeting

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

"Living By the Mercy of God"

Matthew 4:1-11