

Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

February 11, 2024

Transfiguration Sunday

At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.

Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.

Prelude Capriccio Edmond Lemaigre

Greeting

*Call to Worship

One: God is great and is exalted over all the peoples.

Many: Let them praise your great and awesome name.

One: Holy is our God!

Many: Holy is our God!

One: Lover of justice, you have established equity.

Many: You have brought justice and righteousness.

One: Extol the Most High our God; worship at God's footstool.

Many: Holy is our God!

*Hymn

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

TFWS 2173

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory,
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire;
flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy,
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, the light of your love is shining
in the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth you now bring us.

Shine on me, shine on me.
Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory,
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire;
flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy,
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness,
search me, try me, consume all my darkness.

Shine on me, shine on me.
Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory,
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire;
flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy,
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
so our faces display your likeness;
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell your story.

Shine on me, shine on me.
Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory,
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire;
flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy,
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

*Praise Songs

Praise, O Praise, My God and King

Praise, O praise, my God and King.
Hymns of adoration, sing;
For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful, ever sure ...

Alleluia, Alleluia!
King of Kings and Lord of Lords!
For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful ever sure...

Joy Like a River

Joy like a river in my soul...

Common Prayer (*unison*)

**God of glory and mercy,
before his death in shame your Son went to the mountain top,
and you revealed his life in glory.
Where prophets witnessed to him, you proclaimed him your Son,
but he returned to die among us.
Help us face evil with courage,
knowing that all things, even death,
are subject to your transforming power.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Children's Conversation

Announcement

Prayers of the People, & the Lord's Prayer

"Spirit of the Living God"

UMH 393

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

The Offering

Offertory Music

Oye (He Is Good)

James Varrick Armaah

I have heard some good news, it is good, it is good,
I have heard some good news that Jesus is love...
He is good, Father God is good, he is good indeed, he is good, he is good...
Let us all join together and sign a song that he is good, he is good.
My soul rise up and sing a song that he is good.

God is good, Father God is good, he is good, he is good indeed.
I will say it again and again, that he is good, he is good, he is good indeed.
This is me, he has made like that, he is a good father.
Come to him and he will save you as well.
He is good, Father God is good. He is good indeed, he is good, he is good.

*Doxology

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Passing of Peace

"Shalom"

Mensah Essilfie

God's peace be unto you,
We wish you Shalom!
The peace of God which transcends all
understanding be with you forevermore.

*Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-9

Anthem

Ride the Chariot

William Henry Smith 1908-1944

I'm gonna' ride in the chariot in the morning, Lord,
 I'm getting ready for the judgment day, my Lord, my Lord.
 Are you ready my brother? Oh, yes! Are you ready for the journey? Oh, yes!
 Do you want to see your Jesus? Oh yes, I'm waitin' for the chariot 'cause I'm ready to go.
 Are you ready my sister? Oh, yes. Are you ready for the journey? Oh, yes!
 Do you want to see your Jesus? Oh, yes, I'm waitin' for the chariot 'cause I'm ready to go.
 I never can forget that day, when all my sins were taken away.
 My feet were snatched from the miry clay, I'll serve my Lord till judgment day.
 I'm gonna' ride in the chariot to see my Lord.

Message

Holy Communion

"The Great Thanksgiving"

UMH 13-14

*Hymn

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

UMH 396

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
 be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend.
 I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
 nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;
 I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
 my foes are ever near me, around me and within;
 but Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
 above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
 O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
 O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
 that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.
 And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
 O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

*Benediction

Postlude

Benedetta Marcello

Psalm XIX – The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of God

Worship Leaders: Desmond Cheetham, David Dagle, Ronna Davis, Chris Flagg, Earl Flagg, Chris Kerns,
 Byungmoo Lee, Debbie O'Driscoll, David Potts, Jennifer Quansah, Chancel Choir, Ghanaian Choir, Worship Tech Team

Call to Worship – Psalm 99 ALT. *The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version*, Oxford Univ. Press.
 Common Prayer – *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, 319.
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