



Transfiguration by Mike Moyers

Worship for the Lord's Day Transfiguration Sunday

March 2, 2025 9:30 am

Prelude

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (St. Denio)

arr. Larry Shackley

Libby Coriell

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

Lighting the Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

*Opening Words:

- One: God of the mountaintop, you call us to journey with you.
- All: Shine upon us; grant us sacred illumination; dazzle us with your beauty and glory.
- One: In the midst of our weary souls and exhausted bodies,
- All: Transfigure our imaginations and reveal to us what is possible.
- One: In the face of unceasing violence and endless wars,
- All: Transfigure our imaginations and reveal to us what is possible.
- One: In the midst of crushing disasters, natural and human-made.
- All: Transfigure our imaginations and reveal to us what is possible.
- One: Move us from scarcity and cynicism and transfigure our lowly visions to reveal the abundant life of your realm.
- All: Help us to keep watch so that we might leave the mountaintop, inspired to do your work of transformation in the valley below. Amen.

All:	by your ligh by your hea by your mer Turn your gaze that we may liv through Jesus C	ent in our midst yet beyond all comprehension, t, we see light; ling, we are made whole; rcy, we know your greatness. upon our weakness and show us the way of your lov e with unveiled faces, Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Sp and forever. Amen.			
*Sung Respo	onse 582	Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me	GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)		
*Sharing the Peace of Christ					
One:	As a sign of our reconciliation with God and with one another, let us share the peace with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you!				
All:	And also with you!				
*Sung Respo	onse 399	God Welcomes All	THEMBA AMEN		
Sacrament of Baptism and Welcoming New Members Beth, Kristin, Ingrid Ellithorpe, Betty Ann Morton Joining today: Alison & Nick Glatz Baptized today: Michael, Olivia Glatz Presentation Congregational Promise: We do and we will. We promise to share in their learning through faith formation, youth group and Caravans, Bible study and mission activities. We commit to ensuring they have every opportunity to experience the love of God, the call of Jesus to discipleship and the enduring presence of the Holy Spirit. We are blessed to share this life of faith with you! *Profession of Faith: Apostles' Creed, pg 17 of Hymnal Thanksgiving over the Water The Baptism of Michael Glatz & Olivia Glatz Welcome					
Hymn 486 v	1, 4 (remain seated)	Child of Blessing, Child of Promise	KINGDOM		
Prayer for Inspiration Judy					
Scripture Re One: All:	•	Luke 9:28-36 Ioly Word. This is the Word of the Lord! od!			

	Sermon	Mystery of Transfiguration	Rev. Beth Freese Dammers			
	*Hymn 193 v 1- 3, 5	Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain	UNSER HERRSCHER			
	Offering Our Gifts to God					
	Invitation to Offering		Judy			
	Offertory	Shine, Jesus, Shine	Graham Kendrick, Arr. Douglas Wagner			
	6	Chancel Choir				
QRCode f	or Giving *Doxology words 607, tune 606	Praise God, From Whom All Blessings F	low Old hundredth			
	*Prayer of Dedication					
	Church Tidings		Beth			
	Minute for MIssion: One	Great Hour of Sharing	Gloria Tatar			
	Use	e this QRCode to sign into the friendship pad				
	Joys & Concerns					
	One: We lift our prayers to God.					
	All: Lord, hear our prayers.					
	God's People Pray / The Lord	l' s Prayer (using "sins")				
	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.					
	*Hymn 189 v 1-3, 5	O Wondrous Sight, O Vision	Fair DEO GRACIAS			
	*Charge and Blessing					
	*Postlude	Fugue in C, BWV 952	Johann Sebastian Bach			
	* Please rise in spirit or body All speak emboldened type					
	LITURGIST: Judy Johns Schloegel	USHERS: Ann Lorenz, J	ulie Trowbridge			
	ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Courteney		-			
	ACOLYTE: Libby Coriell	. ,				
	LARGE PRINT hymnals are available from the ushers.					

VISITING CPC? WELCOME!

We believe feeling welcome is foundational for members and visitors to be open to the journey of lifelong faith formation and growth. If you've felt a sense of welcome HELLO! Visitor at CPC and are curious in learning more about us, reach out to Ingrid Ellithorpe, Community Connector, to chat by email **ingridellithorpe@sbcglobal.net** or by phone at 630.452.2625. Let us know you are here!

Next Sunday in Worship, March 9

Communion Guest Preacher: Jessica Vazquez Torres

Luke 4:1-13

Wilderness Disruptions



GUEST PREACHER: Jessica Vazquez Torres Sunday March 9

Jessica is a proven leader with over 20 years of experience in antiracism, anti-oppression, and cultural competency workshop development and facilitation. Jessica is deeply committed to addressing social structures and cultural dynamics that marginalize and minoritize communities, limiting their access to the resources needed to thrive not just survive. A 1.5-generation ESL Queer Latina of

Puerto Rican descent, Jessica holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from the University of Central Florida, a Master of Divinity from Christian Theological Seminary, and a Master of Theological Studies from the Candler School of Theology at Emory University. She lives with her spouse Laura and their 80-lb dog Magpie.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP BEGINNING OF LENT Wednesday, March 5 7:00 pm

Lent is a journey of preparation for the coming of Holy Week. In this season we will walk with Jesus as he moves closer to the cross. This year we will study key texts in the gospel of Luke. We will



engage with familiar stories—the Good Samaritan, Mary and Martha, the fruitless fig tree, the Lost Sheep, Zacchaeus, and more.

The liturgical season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, a day to remember that we are dust and to dust we will return. A worship service with the imposition of ashes and communion will be held at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, March 5 in the Sanctuary.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS SUNDAY MARCH 9

Spring Forward Saturday, March 8, before bedtime or you'll arrive at church just in time for the final hymn!

This week at CPC:

Sunday, March 2 New Members joining / Baptism

9:30 am — Worship 9:45 am — Faith Formation; LLRm 6 10:45 am — Adult Ed; Chapel / Zoom 5:00 pm — MS Cubes; LL Rm 8 5:00 pm — HS Cubes; LL Youth Lounge

Monday, March 3

7:00 pm — House & Grounds; Gathering Room 7:00 pm — Worship & Music; Chapel/Zoom

Tuesday, March 4

10:30 am — Staff Meeting, Chapel / Zoom 12:30 pm — PW Program; Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm — Stephen Ministers; Chapel / Zoom

Wednesday, March 5

7:00 pm — Ash Wednesday Worship; Sanctuary 7:00 pm — Chancel Choir; Sanctuary

Thursday, March 6

9:00 am — Read * Share * Pray; Chapel 7:00 pm — Clarion Bell Choir rehearsal; Sanctuary

Friday, March 7 7:00 pm — Trouble the Water; Fellowship Hall

Saturday, March 8

9:00 am — Trouble the Water; Fellowship Hall 11:00 am — 30 hour Famine begins; Youth Lounge & LL

Sunday, March 9 Communion

Daylight Savings Time Starts 9:30 am — Worship NO Faith Formation - children remain in worship 10:45 am — Trouble the Water; Chapel 11:30 am — 30 hour Famine Ends



NURSERY CARE

The Nursery will be staffed by our volunteers **March 9.** The Nursery is located across from the church

office on the main floor and is always open for use, even when not staffed by our volunteers.



BIBLE EXPLORERS March 23 & April 27 During Sunday worship service All kids in 4th - 6th grade are encouraged to participate in

our Bible Explorers group. These sessions will be exciting and engaging. Kids will get a chance to interact with their friends and their Bibles in ways that equip and inspire them to read their Bibles regularly at home.



LENDING LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT-MY ELEPHANT IS BLUE

What will help when the blues leave you feeling as though you're crushed beneath an elephant? Will a smile do the trick? A gentle nudge? Chocolate? A walk? Can anyone—or anything—make the elephant go away?

Warm, empathetic, hopeful, and often funny, My Elephant Is Blue is an inviting exploration of the experience of living under the weight of sadness.

My Elephant is Blue is available in the Lending Library...check it out!



SPAGHETTI DINNER Friday, March 21 5: \$15 - Adults \$5 Payable at the door

5:30 pm \$5 - Kids under 12

CEC is sponsoring this all church fellowship event. Please join us as we share a meal

together and then play games for all ages! We will serve spaghetti with or without meatballs & sauce, salad & garlic bread.



ADULT ED: What Makes YOU Curious About Your Faith? March 2, 10:45 - 11:45 Chapel/ Zoom Zoom link

Robin Randall will conduct an interactive workshop to brainstorm on how to expand our evolving programs in adult education.

What would be fun to think about? What would you want to study? How do you best learn? Example idea - cooking class on how to make foods from biblical times.

There will be special treats made by Shannon - so don't miss it. If you have an idea for an educational session for next year - please come and share it. If you can't attend, then contact Robin at 630-913-0283 - text or call.



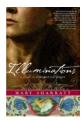
ADULT EDUCATION FOR LENT: Turning Over Tables Starts March 16

Sunday morning classes during Lent will make use of the book Turning Over Tables: A Lenten Call for Disrupting Power, by Kathy Escobar.

Comments from the publisher, Westminster John Knox Press: "From flipping the moneychangers' tables in the temple to uplifting the poor and marginalized, Jesus' actions and words turn the world's idea of power on its head."

This book has daily readings throughout Lent and Easter. It asks us as individuals to consider how we can challenge power when it is appropriate as Christians to do so. For the study to be most effective and satisfying, each of us will need to work through the book on our own each week. Then we will meet together on Sunday morning and discover more together. Please join us in this journey!

Books are now available in the church office. Please pick up your copy and get started with the Introduction <u>before</u> Ash Wednesday (March 5). Our first class will be March 16 and will cover the first three chapters of the book.

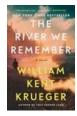


READ*SHARE*PRAY Thursdays 9:00 - 10:30 am Chapel / Zoom

Join us on Thursday mornings for a book discussion on the novel entitled Illuminations, a novel of the life and spiritual journey of Hildegard von Bingen.

CIRCLE OF VOICES WILL NOT MEET IN MARCH

Our April book is *The River We Remember* by William Kent Krueger. It will be available at the Clarendon Hills Library. For more information contact Barb Coop.





PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN LUNCHEON AND PROGRAM "Bison Tales and Tallgrass Trails" Tuesday, March 4, 12:30

Please join us in Fellowship Hall for a delicious luncheon with dessert and a stimulating presentation by Cindy Crosby. Cindy is a steward supervisor for the Schulenberg Prairie at the Morton Arboretum and

a writer, teacher, and lecturer on the tallgrass prairie and nature conservation. She has a master's degree in natural resources with an emphasis on environmental interpretation. Her talk will focus on tallgrass prairies including wildlife and particularly bison. All are invited. Bring friends!!





SUNDAY MARCH 23 LEONARDO GARCIA ALTINO – CELLIST Worship Music

We are excited to welcome back cellist Leo Altino to worship at CPC.

Brazilian-American cellist Leonardo Garcia Altino has performed with leading orchestras, including the Boston Symphony and Odense Symphony. By fourteen, he had already appeared as a soloist with every major orchestra in Brazil. A winner of the Viña del Mar International Cello Competition, he has performed

across the Americas, Europe, and Asia. Praised by *The Strad Magazine* for his "exceptional musical intelligence and an exceptionally cultivated sound," he is currently a faculty member at the Wheaton College Conservatory of Music.



TROUBLE THE WATER Friday, March 7 - Sunday March 9 Weekend Workshop with Conversations to Disrupt Racism and Dominance

Through powerful storytelling, guided discussions, and immersive experiences, participants will engage and reflect on the generational systems and forces that shape our world, and our place within them. Sessions offer a space for meaningful soul-work.

We hope you leave with a deeper awareness of yourself, your community, and the responsibility we all share in creating a more equitable future.

Sponsored by the Mission, Education & Outreach Committee of CPC. For more details and to register, visit: <u>chcpc.org/trouble-the-water</u>

Four Sessions*:

Fri March 7 7:00 - 9:00 pm **Session 1** **Sat March 8** 8:30 Continental Breakfast 9:00 - 11:30 am **Session 2** 11:30 - 12:30 lunch provided 12:30 - 3:00 pm **Session 3**



Sun March 9 10:45 - Noon Session 4

* Virtual and Hybrid options to attend via Zoom are available. Please register to receive Zoom Link.

Child / Family care stipends available to support your need for care in your home while you attend Trouble the Water.

You may be asking what can I expect from this weekend? WHY should I participate in this?

We will explore how to acknowledge that racism exists and to honor differences in how we perceive it. We will honor our individual need for solace and lean into the value of conversation as we support one another in building beloved community and belonging. We hope that our time together may inspire movement from uncomfortable acquiescence, to more active engagement in building the beloved community for which God longs. This weekend will not eliminate any uncomfortable feelings around racism; we hope it will reform our response to the racism of the world.



INTERIM PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Fred Veenbaas, chair; Pat Garner, secretary; and Kathy Florence have been elected by the Session to serve as the search committee for the Interim Pastor / Head of Staff. They are beginning their work immediately. Thank you for your prayers for their faithful work.



SUPPORT OUR CPC 30 HOUR FAMINE TEAM! March 8-9

Beginning Saturday, March 8, a team of high school students and adults will participate in World Vision's 30 Hour Famine. The team will be fasting for 30 hours but staying hydrated with juice and water while learning



about poverty in our global community. They will be led through different service opportunities and activities to learn more about the impact they can make and the challenges our world currently is facing.

We hope you will consider either sponsoring our team online by using the button below or bringing a donation on Sunday, March 9 to worship!



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