



February 14, 2021

Transfiguration Sunday
10:00 a.m.

“Wisdom is not just special knowledge about something. Wisdom is a way of being, a way of inhabiting the world. The beauty of wisdom is harmony, belonging and illumination of thought, action, heart and mind.” *(John O’Donohue)*

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Brother James’ Air
Dr. David Neiweem

arr. Dale Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP *by BHamilton-Holway, adapted*

The Newman & O’Shea Family

In the midst of hunger and war
We celebrate the promise of plenty and peace.
In the midst of oppression and tyranny
We celebrate the promise of service and freedom.
In the midst of doubt and despair
We celebrate the promise of faith and hope.
In the midst of fear and betrayal
We celebrate the promise of joy and loyalty.
In the midst of hatred and death

All: We celebrate the promise of love and life.

In the midst of sin and decay
All: We celebrate the promise of salvation and renewal.

In the midst of death on every side
All: We celebrate the promise of the Living Christ.

Let there now be a quiet time of prayer among us.

(Silence)

Holy Oneness, may we find within ourselves the courage to be who we are.
Help us to trust one another and know there are many ways to go through life.
Remind us that though we cannot change some of what life gives to us,
we can choose how we deal with what we are given.

May we find you in each gift.

(Silence)

Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME AND LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Hannah Sachs

*OPENING HYMN

We Have Come at Christ’s Own Bidding

NCH 182

READING

“Expect Life” by Elizabeth Tarbox

Rev. Elissa Johnk

TIME OF UNBURDENING

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WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

THE WORD

GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:2-9

Libby Ivy

WORD OF GOD FOR (SM)ALL AGES

Hilah Clarke

SPECIAL MUSIC

Midwinter
Judy Doerner & Carlanne Herzog

SERMON

Rev. Elissa Johnk

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING *Transform Us As You Transfigured (Picardy). By Sylvia Dunstan*

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN

To You, O God, All Creatures Sing

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sing to the Lord a New Song

Giovanni Gabrieli

**Please rise, as you are able, in body or in spirit*