



First United Methodist Church

February 19, 2012 A.D., 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Transfiguration of the Lord

Order of Worship to the Glory of God

Please stand as able for acts of worship designated with an asterisk (*)

*“God open my eyes so I may see and feel your presence close to me...
And widen the vision of my unseeing eyes...” – Helen Steiner Rice*

Welcome and Announcements

We thank God for these opportunities for fellowship and service.

Thanks be to God.

Joys

We thank God for these blessings.

Thanks be to God.

Concerns

For these persons and all who are in need.

Hold your people near, O God.

Prelude (8:00)

“Andante Sostenuto”

Mendelssohn

(10:30)

“Ayre”

Corelli

*Call to Worship

Psalm 50:1-6

Scripture Insert

*Hymn of Praise

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

UMH 127

Gathering Prayer

Gracious Lord, You have loved, forgiven, and cared for me.

In Your Holy presence awaken me again to the wonder of Your love for me.

May the radiance of Your Spirit invade my heart

and all who worship here today.

In Christ’s name I pray. Amen.

The Epistle

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Scripture Insert

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem (8:00)

“We Shall See Jesus”

Wilkinson/Fetke

(10:30)

“Thy Kingdom Come, O Lord”

F. Melius Christiansen

Chancel Choir; Dr. Woodrow Hodges, Director

Ministry with Young Christians

The congregation sings the chorus of “Jesus Loves Me” (UMH 191) as the children come forward.

Prayer Hymn

“Spirit of the Living God”

UMH 393

At this time, parents may take children 3 and under to the nursery if they wish. Children age 4 thru second grade may be shepherded to the Activity Room. Children 3rd grade and older remain in worship.

The Church at Prayer

Jesus Christ, light of the world,

**we dare to bring our whole selves before you this morning,
asking that you shine your purifying light on us once again.**

Illumine the dark corners no one else sees—

**the shadows of doubt, the pockets of loneliness,
the specters of fear, the gloom of discouragement.**

Lift our face to behold you in the full radiance of your light,

**that something of your perfect love, truth, and peace may enter our lives
and awaken us to the rich truth of who we are,**

by your grace and in your mercy.

In Jesus’ name. Amen.

*And now in the silence of our hearts let us give thanks for the gift of this day
and pray for the life of the world...*

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

UMH 895

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.**

*Gospel Processional

“Be Thou My Vision”

vs. 1-2, UMH 451

*Gospel Lesson

Mark 9:2-9

Scripture Insert

The congregation is invited to stand and face the center as the gospel is read.

*Gospel Recessional

“Be Thou My Vision”

vs. 3, UMH 451

Sermon

“Becoming Who We Are”

Rev. Ned L. Hintzman

Offering our Gifts

Melodies of Compassion: Change in the offering plate this month supports the Samaritan fund

Offertory (8:00)
(10:30)

“Andantino”
“O Day of Peace”

Schubert
arr. Carol Mizell

*Bond Bell Ringers; Dr. Woodrow Hodges, Director;
Libbi Weisinger and Sarah Gorke, Soloists*

*Doxology

UMH 95

*Prayer of Dedication

**Holy God, as we set these gifts before you,
we ask you to bless them in Your holy service.
We also ask you to bless our lives,
which we offer again with these gifts,
so that we may serve you and proclaim your holy name
in all that we say and do. Amen.**

*Closing Hymn

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

UMH 133

*Benediction

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

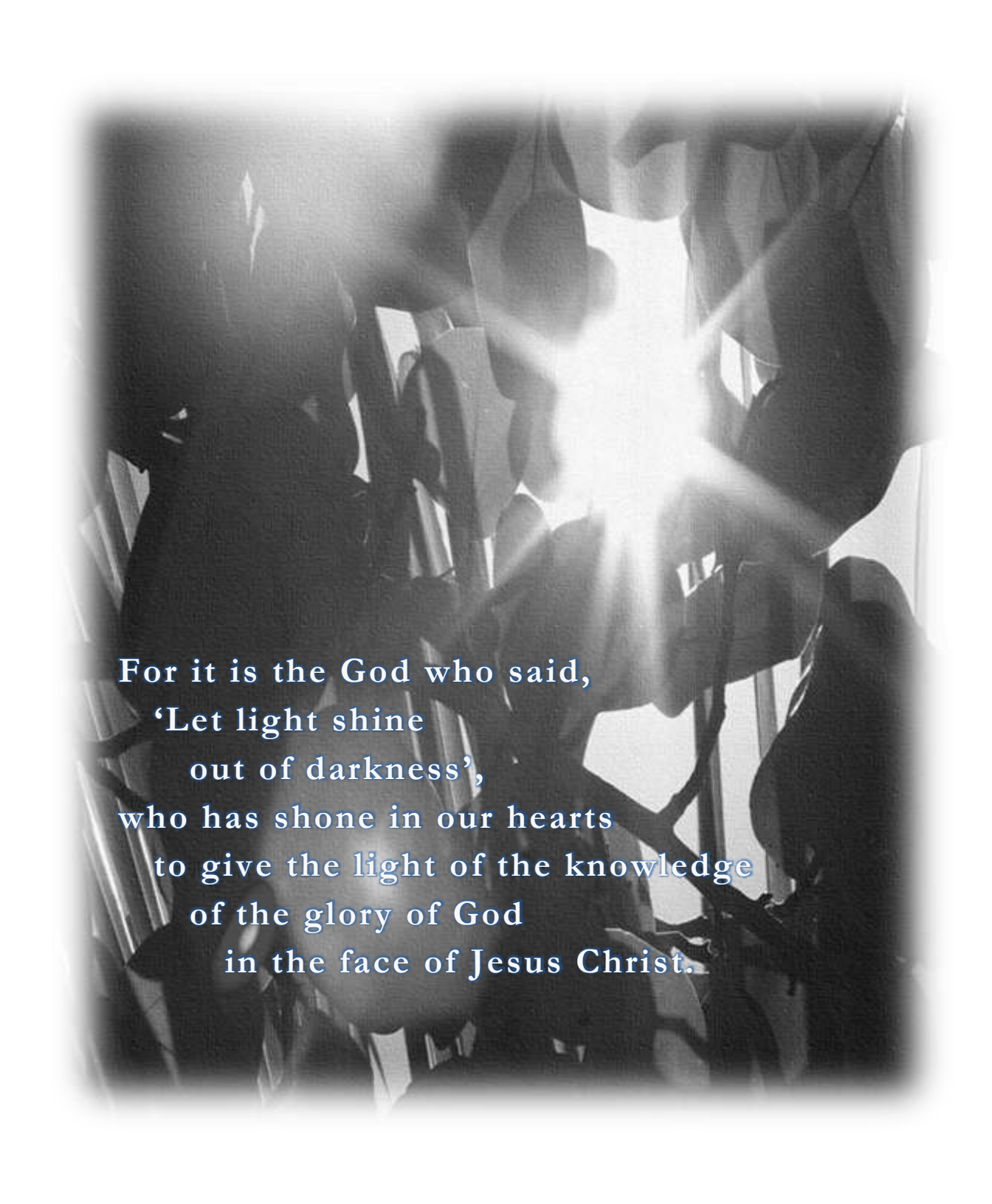
*Postlude

Betty Schripsema, organist/ pianist

We're glad you're here! Your attendance at worship is important to us. Please fill out the red “Who’s Who in the Pew” pad, pass it along to your neighbor, return the pad to its starting point, take note of the names of those next to you and be sure to greet one another after the service.

We have a staffed nursery available during worship services.

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For it is the God who said,
‘Let light shine
out of darkness’,
who has shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge
of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.