#### SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Worship: 10:00 am February 19, 2023

#### TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

## **Entering into Our Worship Together**

### WORDS TO MEDITATE UPON

"Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is He!"
(Psalm 99:3)

**PRELUDE** 

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

(in Unison)

God,

we come to the mountaintop to be covered in your presence.

We are comforted by your holiness and your glow;

we are comforted by the hope of the mountain top,

where you are so close, so accessible,

where there is no doubt of your glory

The mountain top reminds us why we worship you.

We witness your bright power,

and your plan for the nations of the earth.

As we prepare for worship,

God bring us to the mountain top;

bring us to the mountain top

so that we may be inspired to do your work

in the valley below.

\*HYMN OF GOD'S NATURE

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Hymnal#103 (see screen)

**GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR** 

Stand and Wave!!

COMMUNITY SHARING AND PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 24:12-18

pew Bible pg: 92-93

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**OFFERING** 

SPECIAL MUSIC Praise Team

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9 pew Bible pg: 24-25

SERMON

"Mountain Top Experience"

Pastor Tommy

### Our Response to God's Word

#### RESPONSIVE PRAYER

Holy One, We come before you,

many of us feeling like we have climbed just a part of the mountain,

and there is so much more of a climb left to even get to point

to dream that we might be dazzled by what is Divine.

Our loads are heavy, with worry, with regret,

with fatigue, with illness, with despair for all in the world

that is hurting, in danger, in bondage and more.

We trudge ahead, following you, stumbling, hoping, praying...

breathing hard, hearts pounding, and yes,

even some of us are nimble and skipping.

Lead us Lord, to the top of that mountain, where we might be dazzled by your Light,

lifted by what is Divine, filled by the sheer delight

of what is numinous and ethereal and grounded and real.

We pray this, for ourselves, for one another, and for the worlds in which we live in.

Amen.

## **Sending Forth**

\*SENDING HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

Hymnal#451 (see screen)

### \*BENEDICTION

May the Creator who brings light from darkness,

The Spirit who transfigures our torments,

And the Christ who lifts up valleys and brings the mountain's glory down to earth, make the rough places plain before you and bless you this day and always.

Go forth, sisters. Go forth, brothers. Do not be afraid.

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## **Prayer Concerns**

(Prayer requests must be received in the office at by Thursday at 10am to be included. Names stay on for two weeks.) You can email your prayer requests to: pastortommyboy@gmail.com

Our Church Family ...

Our Extended Family ...
Rhonda McDonald (Karla Dick)

Virginia Ann Hulvey (Pastor Tommy)

Janet Wager and family (Pastor Tommy)

Tommy Williams (Pastor Tommy)

## **Prayers for Our Military Families.....**

Will Freds: U.S Army (son-in- law of CW and Peggy Grandle)

Mark Long: U.S Navy (son of Dawn Long)
Chris Mullenax: U.S Army Special Forces

Richard Ruley: US Air Force (great- nephew of Michael and Esther Malloy)

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**We extend Christian sympathy** and prayers to *Janet Wager* and family. *Janet's brother, David Neuwirth* passed away on Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>.

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**We are putting together a choir** for a Palm Sunday performance. All those who are interested in singing please meet up front after the service with Jean Fisk.

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Administrative Council will meet on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

*March Newsletter Deadline:* Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. Please have all information to church office.

February Word Search deadline is Tuesday, February 21st.

We will hold an *Ash Wednesday* service on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome to begin our Lenten journey.

*Children's Choir* will have practice follow church service on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.

Beginning Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm, we will be holding a **Lenten Bible Study** on the book, "24 Hours that Changed the World." We will be hearing sermons on Sundays and expounding on the topic there in this study. All are welcome to attend. While the reading through the book would be beneficial for the study it is not required. That being said, if you would like to have a book ordered there is a signup sheet on the bulletin board.

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Over 133 years of serving God and the Community



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### **2023 EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS**

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