

Celebration of Worship

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 14, 2021

9:30 A.M.

Prelude

Reflection *“Not everything that is faced can be changed,
but nothing can be changed until it is faced.”*

From: ‘As Much Truth As One Can Bear’ by James Baldwin – January 14, 1962

Welcome and Announcements

Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship

Leader: Gathering in this sacred place we anticipate new wonders

People: Wherever two or three are gathered to worship, a holy spirit is present.

Leader: Open our eyes to witness the fantastic love and wondrous joy waiting to be revealed.

People: When we leave today may our hearts be open to all the wonders of God’s beautiful world.

Leader: Let us worship God.

Opening Prayer

All: Holy God, on mountaintops and valley floors you reveal to us the light of your love. Our hearts desire is to bask in the amazing glory of the divine presence. With each encounter we are changed and transformed. Draw us nearer that we might receive a double portion of your Holy Spirit. Help us, God, to live our lives as a reflection of divine glory. May we walk among our siblings and friends as a blessing, bearing light into dark places, hope to displace despair, and love that casts out hate

Hymn *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* # 462

Prayer of Confession

All: **Forgive us, God, when we linger too long by the waters and on the mountain tops, enthralled with the glory that flows from you. When we fail to listen to your voice leading and guiding us, shake us from our contentment and send us forward, endowed with your power. Amen.**

Moment of Prayer and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The God of Elijah, the God of Moses and the God of Jesus desires mercy more than sacrifice and a contrite heart rather than burnt offerings. Love God and do the right thing and forgiveness shall be your friend and mercy, your true companion. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

Children’s Time

Scripture Reading *Psalm 50:1-6*
2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Special Music Triune Tribute Vocal Ensemble Tim Shuey

Scripture Reading *Mark 9:2-9*

Sermon *Jesus Is No Secret*
Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

Offering Mail in your gifts or click the WPC website ‘Give’ button

Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Blessing of the Offering

Hymn *Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord* # 392

Benediction

Postlude

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by Thee.
Joyless is the day's return till Thy mercy's beams I see,
Till they inward light impart, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiance divine; scatter all my unbelief.
More and more Thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

Take Thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray.
Give us the mind of Christ each passing day.
Teach us to know the truth that sets us free.
Grant us in all our thoughts to honor Thee.

Take Thou our hearts, O Christ, they are Thine own.
Come Thou within our souls and claim Thy throne.
Help us to shed abroad Thy deathless love.
Use us to make the earth like heaven above.

Take Thou our wills, Most High! Hold Thou full sway.
Have in our inmost souls Thy perfect way.
Guard Thou each sacred hour from selfish ease.
Guide Thou our ordered lives as Thou dost please.

Take Thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will.
Through our surrendered souls Thy plans fulfill.
We yield ourselves to Thee – time, talents, all.
We hear and henceforth heed Thy sovereign call.

MEMORY VERSE

*There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female,
for you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

Galatians 3:25

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today, February 14

9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
4:00 P.M. Youth Fellowship-Valentine's Day party in the Social Room

Monday, February 15

7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Memorial Rooms
Healing & Reconciliation Steering Committee on Zoom

Tuesday, February 16

10:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study on Zoom
7:00 P.M. Deacons in Room 9/10

Wednesday, February 17

6:30 P.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
7:00 P.M. Ash Wednesday Worship in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, February 18

7:30 A.M. Bible Study on Zoom
6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells in the Sanctuary

Friday, February 19

9:00 A.M. Heart and Hand in the Social Room
10:30 A.M. Book Study on Zoom
5:00 P.M. Cub Pack 252 Banquet in the Social Room

Saturday, February 20

9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom
Roc Ringers
10:00 A.M. Officers Training on Zoom

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, February 14th</u>	<u>Next Sunday, February 21st</u>
Old Testament	<i>II Kings 2:12</i>	<i>Genesis 9:8-17</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalms 50: 1-6</i>	<i>Psalms 51: 1-10</i>
New Testament	<i>II Corinthians 9: 16-23</i>	<i>I Peter 3: 18-22</i>
Gospel	<i>Mark 9: 2-9</i>	<i>Mark 8: 31-38</i>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether by Zoom or in person. Those choosing to attend in person are reminded to make a reservation to attend by calling the church office and speaking to Georgia, or by emailing the church office by noon on Saturday.
2. SUNDAY SERVICES continue to be live-streamed.
You can watch them live at 9:30 using:
Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/200521841> The password is **worship**.
or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>
Or you can watch them later at your leisure using:
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>
or YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5-thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
3. ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP: Join us at 7:00 P.M. this Wednesday on Zoom or in person as we begin the journey of Lent and prepare our hearts for Easter.
4. LEARNING FOR A LIFETIME: Ash Wednesday Service – No study this week. Join us next Wednesday at 7:00 for the first in a four-week DVD Lenten series led by dynamic Pastor Andy Stanley, looking at three people whose lives intersected Jesus' life in the days leading up to his crucifixion.
5. BLANKETS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS - If you haven't already, please take this last opportunity offered by the Mission Committee to make a donation through our church to Church World Service for the purchase of blankets (and kits) so that they can distribute them across the country and throughout the world. Last year our congregation gave a total of \$1,406. How exciting if we could top that amount this year! You can donate by writing a check to WPC and indicating "Blankets" in the memo line, or by choosing the Give button on the church website (<https://www.websterpres.org/>); Click on the arrow next to fund to choose the Blankets+ offering. Find out more by visiting the website <https://cwsblankets.org/> and clicking on Stories & Reports.

THE MARCH PATHWAY DEADLINE is this Sunday, February 21st. Please submit article by email to office@websterpres.org.
5. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will conclude its study on Grace this week with the topic "sustaining and sufficient."
"See to it that no one misses the grace of God" Hebrews 12:15 NIV
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82829064485?pwd=aXY5eVITVXpYMThtLZEJJaHFGMnA1QT09>
6. ALL ARE INVITED to join a Prayer Group which meets each Saturday morning at 9:00 via Zoom. We share concerns, read the scripture reading for Sunday's service, and then pray for those who have been mentioned. If you have questions, call Barb Hach (872-7418) or Tony Hubbard (265-1224) for more information or join us this Saturday with the Zoom link below.
<https://zoom.us/j/8020641367?pwd=VnIXcDITWjZIS2d0NE96dmVFeVB4dz09> The password, if needed, is **worship**.
7. HEART AND HAND is making fleece hats and scarves for people who are served by the House of Mercy (this month). Kits for sewing and scarves for cutting fringe are available in the hall outside the Sanctuary. You are welcome to participate.
8. MEALS ON WHEELS has long delivered nutritious meals to residents throughout Monroe and surrounding counties and is one of the ongoing initiatives of the New Beginnings here at WPC. They also provide pet food made available through volunteer donations. If you would like to help with this effort, there is a new container in the Narthex labeled "pet food". Donations will be delivered to those in need in Webster and surrounding areas. Thank you for helping those smallest of God's creatures.

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