# **Celebration of Worship** Transfiguration of the Lord

## February 27, 2022

9:30 A.M.

#### Prelude

#### Reflection

Howard Thurman

"There must be always remaining in every life some place for the singing of angels, some place for that which in itself is breathless and beautiful."

## Welcome and Announcements

#### Ringing of the Bell

**Song** Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

## **Call to Worship**

Leader: Something drew us together this morning --

- People: Something we can't name, but which we experience in worship;
- Leader: Some holy mystery we call God;
- People: Some sacred calling we hear in the life of Jesus;
- Leader: Some indescribable hope we feel when we gather in the Spirit.
- People: May our experience of the Divine transform our doubts and fears and prepare us to love the world.

#### Invocation

Leader: O God, you are beyond words and description; your love is beyond knowledge and explanation. Make our hearts ready to receive you. Change us, we pray, that our lives may reflect the glory of your transfiguration. We rejoice in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### Hymn

Morning Has Broken # 469

## **Prayer of Confession**

Leader: Peter, James and John went up on the side of the mountain with Jesus and experienced glory. But then Peter wanted to stay. "It's good for us to be here. Let's get comfortable." We are also often tempted to keep the experience of the Divine to ourselves, to enjoy the company of the saints instead of going back down the mountain to continue the work of the Kingdom of God. God knows this temptation of our hearts, so let us confess and pray for forgiveness.

People: God of glory and light, forgive us when we are complacent and comfortable with keeping the riches of your love to ourselves. Keep calling us down from our mountains of privilege. Keep expecting more of us as your disciples. Keep reminding us to listen to your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Moment of Reflection

#### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Whether we hear a voice from the heavens or a still small voice in our hearts, listen carefully for the love of God. Believe and accept God's love and live in God's freedom. **People: We believe! Thanks be to God!** 

# Gloria Patri

## A Social Distant Passing of the Peace

(Children in PreK through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are dismissed to the Shine Program)

Hymn	Fairest Lord Jesus	# 306
Scripture Readings	Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 II Corinthians 3:12	
Anthem Whe	en I Survey the Wondrous Cross Alleluia Bells and Chimers	arr. Ingram
Scripture Reading	Luke 9:28-43	
Sermon	<i>"Let's Keep This Simiple"</i> Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.	
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#### Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

#### Offering

Please place your offering in the plates at the exit doors, mail your gifts to the church, or click the WPC website 'Give' button

## **Doxology and Blessing of the Offering**

Hymn

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Benediction Postlude

## Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;I can feel His mighty power and His grace.I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face.Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

# **Morning Has Broken**

Morning has broken like the first morning, Blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, Like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, Sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning Born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning God's recreation of the new day.

# 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.

# **Fairest Lord Jesus**

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O Thou of God to earth come down, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands Robed in the blooming garb of spring. Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight And all the twinkling, starry host. Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heaven can boast.

# 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.

# Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining in the midst of the darkness, shining. Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us; Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.

#### Refrain:

Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Father's glory.Blaze, spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy.Send forth our word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence, From the shadows into your radiance; By the blood I may enter your brightness. Search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me; shine on me. Refrain.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, So our faces display your likeness, Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me; shine on me. Refrain.

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#### MEMORY VERSE

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud." I Corinthians 13:4

#### LECTIONARY PASSAGES

Today, February 27thOld TestamentExodus 34:29-35PsalmPsalm 99New TestamentII Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2GospelLuke 9:28-43a

Next Sunday, March 7th

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether in person or by Live Streaming.
- 2. SUNDAY SERVICES continue to be live-streamed. You can watch them live at 9:30 or later at your leisure using: Facebook https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/
  - or YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA
- SERVICE GUIDELINES FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP Masks are <u>required</u> in the church building. Please worship at home if showing symptoms or testing positive. It is recommended that everyone get the full dose of one of the approved vaccinations, wear a properly fitted high quality mask, such as the kn95, and practice good social distancing.
- 4. ADULT ED. meets this Wednesday with a discussion on the article "10 Predictions about the Future Church and Shifting Attendance Patterns." Join us on Zoom using the link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88153176119?pwd=bmhVVHJDZ</u> S92RTIteTdZYm1IUTVWUT09
- 5. DONATIONS FOR BLANKETS will conclude today. For \$10, you can make a difference to someone who is in desperate need of protection and warmth. Checks made out to the church will be forwarded to support this worthwhile project.
- 6. THANK YOU TO ALL who participated in the small group meetings and shared their thoughts on our church's ministry. Now plan to join us on March 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 3 pm for an All-Church Retreat as our next step in moving toward new pastoral leadership. Sign-ups begin today in the Narthex for the retreat and a free lunch, OR you can call the church office or email Tony Hubbard at tghubbard@frontiernet.net.
- 7. HEART AND HAND KITS for sewing placemats to give to Webster Meals on Wheels are available on a table outside the church office. We would appreciate your help in order to meet our goal of distributing at least 50 placemats during the Easter season. Thank you!

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Sunday, February 27

9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed 3:00 P.M. Youth to Greystone Snow Tubing

## Monday, February 28

6:30 P.M. Rachel Circle in the Sanctuary

7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Memorial Rooms

## Tuesday, March 1

- 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 5:30 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10 Girl Scout Troop 650 in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 454 in the Social Room

# Wednesday, March 2

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

# Thursday, March 3

7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom

- 9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

# Friday, March 4

10:30 A.M. Books, Faith & Friendship Group on Zoom

# Saturday, March 5

9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom ROC Ringers Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

# Sunday, March 6

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- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 1:40 P.M. Youth to the George Eastman Museum Flower Show

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