

Transfiguration Sunday

Coffeehouse Worship - Feb. 14, 2021

First United Methodist Church - Kalamazoo, Michigan

Prelude: "Opening" (Philip Glass)

Bernie Foulk

Welcome/Lighting Christ Candle

Rev. Matt Weiler

Opening Song

**Kendyl Kirshman, Kameran Long, Avery Strand,
Bernie Foulk, Jacqueline Stilger**

"We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"



We have come at Christ's own bid - ding to this high and ho - ly place,
Light breaks through our clouds and shadows, splendor bathes the fleshjoined Word,
Strengthened by this glimpse of glo - ry, fear - ful lest our faith de - cline,



where we wait with hope and long - ing for some to - ken of God's grace. Here we
Mo - ses and E - li - jah mar - vel as the heaven - ly voice is heard. Eyes and
we, like Pe - ter, find it tempting to re - main and build a shrine. But true



pray for new as - sur - ance that our faith is not in vain, search - ing
hearts be - hold with won - der how the Law and Proph - ets meet: Christ with
wor - ship gives us cour - age to pro - claim what we pro - fess, that our



like those first dis - ci - ples for a sign both clear and plain.
gar - ments drenched in bright - ness, stands trans - fig - ured and com - plete.
dai - ly lives may prove us peo - ple of the God we bless.

Call to Worship

Vickee and Kaden Seals

Come, listen to the One
**who speaks and summons the earth,
from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

Come, see the One
who shines forth in the perfection of beauty.

Come, bring thanksgiving, the sacrifice that honors the One
who shows the salvation of God.

prayer written by James E. Janecek

Baptism

**Rev. Julie Kline, Kaden Seals,
Vickey Seals, Steve Breed**

Introduction to the Service

Presentation of the Candidate

Questions of the Parents

Congregational Assent

Leader: Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament,
promise your love, support, and care
to this child being baptized as they live and grow in Christian community?

All: We promise our love, support, and care.

Affirmation of Faith

Baptismal Prayer

Baptism with Laying on of Hands

Response to Baptism

**Kendyl Kirshman, Kameran Long,
Avery Strand, Jacqueline Stilger**

“God Claims You”

Leader: Now it is our joy to welcome our new brother in Christ.

**All: Through baptism
you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit
into God’s new creation
and made to share in Christ’s royal priesthood
We are all one in Christ Jesus.
With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you
as members of the family of Christ.**

Lighting the Peace Candle

Vickey and Kaden Seals

At this time we invite you to light a candle and to share the peace of Christ with one another in the places you are worshiping by saying “Peace of Christ be with you” “And also with you!”

Passing the Peace with “It Only Takes a Spark”

**Kendyl Kirshman, Kameran Long,
Avery Strand, Jacqueline Stilger**

Scripture

**Deb Search Willoughby, Lori Owen-Rogers,
Mandakini Brophy, Ruth LaMachia**

Mark 9:2-9

Reader 1: Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John,
Reader 2: and led them up a high mountain apart,
Reader 3: by themselves.
Reader 4: And he was transfigured before them,
Reader 1: and his clothes became dazzling white,
Reader 2: such as no one on earth could bleach them.
Reader 3: And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses,
Reader 4: who were talking with Jesus.

Reader 1: Then Peter said to Jesus,
Reader 2: "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here;
let us make three dwellings,
Reader 3: one for you,
Reader 4: one for Moses,
Reader 2: and one for Elijah."
Reader 1: He did not know what to say,
Reader 2: for they were terrified.
Reader 3: Then a cloud overshadowed them,
Reader 4: and from the cloud there came a voice,
All: "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"

Reader 1: Suddenly when they looked around,
Reader 2: they saw no one with them any more,
All: but only Jesus.

Reader 3: As they were coming down the mountain,
Reader 4: he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen,
All: until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Message
Weiler**

Rev. Matt

"It'll All Make Sense on the Other Side of Easter"

Change the World Offering

Dick Shilts and Tim Mullikin

Prayer Refrain

**Kendyl Kirshman, Kameran Long,
Avery Strand, Jacqueline Stilger**

“Holy Ground”

We are stand - ing on ho - ly ground, and I
know that there are an-gels all a - round; let us praise
Je-sus now; we are standing in his presence on ho-ly ground.

Prayers of the People

Sara Miller

“Holy Ground”

Offering for the Life of the Church

Sara Miller

Our Shared Life

Rev. Julie Kline

Closing Song: “My Beloved” (David Crowder)

Mandakini Brophy and Rev. Matt Weiler

There's a sun coming up
In my soul, Lord, in my soul

out of this place

I see the light, I see the light
Oh, thank You, God, I see the light

My beloved, for You I wait
With You here 'til
forever face to face

My beloved, bring me awake
Take me up to Your
resurrection place

No more sorrow, no more pain
No more darkness
weighing down on me

My beloved, bring me awake
'Cause I want to
feel Your light on my face

No longer blind, now I can see
Forever light,
forever free, yeah

My beloved take me away
Over Jordan, up

I see the light, I see the light
Oh thank You, God, I see the light

Blessing/Sending

Rev. Matt Weiler

Postlude: “Dance No. 4” (Philip Glass)

Bernie Foulk

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Change the World Offering

Material Needs at the Homeless Encampments

Emergency shelter support (heaters, cots, coffee supplies)	instant coffee
Meal train support	hygienic items
Seasoned wood for both encampments	small bags of self light charcoal
Big heaters	can openers
20 lb empty propane tanks	clean drinking water
Tents rated for all seasons	tarps
Boots	mylar blankets
Winter rated sleeping bags	duct tape, bungee, and/or rope
Hand warmers	general camping gear
AA/AAA batteries	hand sanitizer
Large Sterno cans (supplemental emergency heat)	underwear
Full 1lb green propane tanks (for smaller heaters and supplemental heat)	flashlights
socks	meal packing supplies
juice	toilet paper
	disinfectant wipes
	kindling supplies

Prayers for our Neighbors at the Homeless Encampments

O Lord, you who know your sheep by name, be my shepherd this day. Where I am weary, restore me; where I am vulnerable, protect me; where I am empty, fill me. Guard me, keep me, shield me, so that I might feel your loving care this day. In the name of the One who lays down his life for his sheep, *amen*.

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and for the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen*.

O Lord, you who were alone in the wilderness, be with me in this time of aloneness; and when I feel tempted to believe that I have been abandoned by friends and forsaken by God, may I sense your sweet presence nourishing me and trust that you have fortified me by your Spirit to remain faithful to you this day. In your name, *amen*.

O merciful Maker, who has taught us in your holy Word that you do not willingly afflict or grieve your children on earth: Look with compassion upon the troubles of your child for whom our prayers are offered. Remember *them*, O Lord, in mercy, nourish *their* soul with patience, comfort *them* with a sense of your goodness, lift up your face upon *them*, and give *them* peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen*.