

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

10 a.m. *Transfiguration Sunday* February 19, 2023

** indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

PRELUDE

INTROIT *"Come, ye Thankful People, Come! (Insert)* by Henry Alford &
CUMC Adult Choir George Elvey arr. Don Chapman

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: Praise the Lord!

*HYMN *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"* UMH #327

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Listen, for God is still speaking

All: Look, for God is still present.

One: Worship, for God is in our midst.

And together let us pray.

All: God of glory, grace us with your presence. Overwhelm us with your love. Guide us with your wisdom and fill us with your Holy Spirit, as we worship and praise you this day. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES *"Children's Message"*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let all who wish to know the ways of life and death listen for the word of God.

Truly the presence of the Lord is in this place.

THE HEBREW READING Exodus 24:12-18

THE PSALM READING Psalm 125:1-2

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 17:1-9

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Up into a High Mountain"* Rev. Jane Kim

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another. *(From UMH page 7)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mighty and glorious God, even as we tremble in your presence, we rejoice in your willingness to live among and within us. Forgive us when we act as if we can separate ourselves from your powerful presence. Forgive us when we hide ourselves from you, forgetting that in you, nothing is hidden. Lift our eyes to see your glory. Lift our hearts to receive your grace. Lift our lives to reflect the mountain of your love, that we may shine for all to see. In your glory and grace, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Don't be afraid. We are beloved children of God. We belong to a God whose love and grace always draw us to our home to God.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)

Let us be generous in our giving, that others may see in us the transforming power of God. Let us be lavish in our gifts, that others may draw life from the bounty of God's blessings.

WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *"Reason I Sing"* Phil Wickham & Jonathan Smith
CUMC Adult Choir

Verse 1

You pulled me from darkness
And clothed me in garments of praise
Jesus forever my song will be You

Verse 2

I'm living in freedom
You've taken my burdens away
Jesus forever my song will be You
Only for You

Chorus

For the cross that You bore
And the debt that You paid
For the victory You won
Over death and the grave
This is the reason I sing
For the hope that You give
And the joy that You bring
For the promise that
Heaven Is waiting for me
This is the reason I sing

Verse 3

I will not be silent
I'll testify of Your grace
Jesus forever my song will be You
Only for You

Bridge

So good so good
You're so good to me
Forever I'll sing
You're so good to me

Ending

Jesus the reason I sing
Jesus the reason I sing
Jesus the reason I sing

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Embolden us, Mighty God, to give us fully as we have received. Multiply the gifts we return to you now, that they may empower the lives of many with your glory and your grace. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for Ukraine today. Jesus the Prince of Peace, have mercy on them. Stop the war o, God. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Amen.

*HYMN *"Draw the Circle Wide"* Worship & Song #3154 (Insert)

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: In God's strength and power, go now to love your neighbor.

All: We go now to witness to the way of Christ.

One: In God's glory and grace, go now with humility and compassion.

**All: We go now with joy trusting the blessings promised by our God.
Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share God's love and peace with one another.

POSTLUDE

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED

NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS

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