



February 23, 2020 | Transfiguration Sunday

Welcome to our guests: We hope you find this service meaningful and that you will come again. Nursery care is available for infants and small children during worship and Sunday School Youngsters through age five (kindergarten) can also go to the nursery following the Children's Moment.

**People standing, as able*

Ringing of the Tower Bells

Prelude Prelude and Fugue in E Minor J.S.Bach

The Life of the Church Jay Jackson
Please register your attendance at this time and check in on Facebook!

***Passing the Peace**
As God has given us peace through Christ, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.

***Greeting** Nathan Firmin

Pastor: The grace of our Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

***Call to Worship** based on Psalm 25

Pastor: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
People: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me,

Pastor: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

People: He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All: Amen.

***Scripture Reading** Matthew 22:34-40 Nathan Firmin

***Hymn of Praise** Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies UMH 173

Kidz Connect Choir (10:45)

“Safari na Yesu”
He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

Children's Moment Loren Buchanan
Children may meet Loren in the Chancel area.

Offertory Prayer Jay Jackson
You can text your offering to FUMC at our secure financial system—903.417.0707 (Initial set up takes 5 minutes)

Offertory
(8:30) “Since Jesus Came Into My Heart” R.H. McDaniel
Singing Quartet

(10:45) “Jesus, on the Mountain Peak” Michael Burkhardt
Chancel Choir

Jesus on the mountain peak stands alone in glory blazing. Let us, if we dare to speak, join the saints and angels praising. Alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking. All the Prophets and the law shout through them their joyful greeting: Alleluia!

Swift the cloud of glory came, God, proclaiming in its thunder, Jesus as the Son by name! Nations, cry aloud in wonder: Alleluia!

Jesus is the chosen One, living hope of every nation, hear and heed him, everyone; sing, with earth and all creation, Alleluia!

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Morning Prayer** Nathan Firmin

Holy God, upon the mountain you revealed our Messiah, who by his death and resurrection would fulfill both the law and the prophets. By his transfiguration enlighten our path that we may dare to suffer with him in the service of humanity and so share in the everlasting glory of him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever. Amen.

***Hymn of Meditation** The Gift of Love UMH 408

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a, 14 Rommie Scott

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rommie Scott

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A Reading from the New Testament

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Lay Reader: (8:30) Regina Fenderson (10:45) Pam Ibeh

Lay Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Love: Having It Both Ways” Jay Jackson

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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.

***Hymn of Invitation** Love Divine, All Love's Excelling UMH 384

***Sending Forth** Jay Jackson

***Postlude** Fanfare-Toccata Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens



Easter Cantata
No Greater Sacrifice
Palm Sunday, April 5
8:30 and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services.
Chancel Choir & Orchestra