

Transfiguration Sunday – March 2, 2025 – 10:30am

Order of Worship

The Community Gathers

Lighting of Altar Candles

Prelude – *“We are Marching”*

A Word of Greeting and Welcome/Centering Words ~

As God’s glory shone in and through Christ Jesus, may God’s glory shine in and through us with the beauty and grace of Christ’s love.

Opening Hymn* - *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” UMH#139 (v.1&3)* Angela Gricar

Giving God Glory As We Come To Worship

Call to Worship (L: Leader P: People)-

Alan Bone

L: Christ has called us here,

P: inviting us to offer praise and prayer.

L: May Christ’s presence be revealed in this time,

P: showing us the way to go.

L: May Christ’s glory shine into our worship,

P: that Christ’s glory may shine in our lives.

Opening Prayer

Alan Bone

God of glory and power, pour out your Holy Spirit on us today. Reveal to us your wisdom and guidance. Manifest through us your Spirit of glorious grace and love. And make your loving presence known to all, through the ministries of your church. Amen.

Message for the Children (In Us All)

Minister Ainise Isama’u

The Word of God for the people of God

Scripture Lesson: Luke 9:28-36, 37-43a

Alan Bone

²⁸About eight days after Jesus said these things, he took Peter, John, and James, and went up on a mountain to pray. ²⁹As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed and his clothes flashed white like lightning. ³⁰Two men, Moses and Elijah, were talking with him. ³¹They were clothed with heavenly splendor and spoke about Jesus’ departure, which

he would achieve in Jerusalem. ³² Peter and those with him were almost overcome by sleep, but they managed to stay awake and saw his glory as well as the two men with him.

³³ As the two men were about to leave Jesus, Peter said to him, “Master, it’s good that we’re here. We should construct three shrines: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —but he didn’t know what he was saying. ³⁴ Peter was still speaking when a cloud overshadowed them. As they entered the cloud, they were overcome with awe.

³⁵ Then a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, my chosen one. Listen to him!” ³⁶ Even as the voice spoke, Jesus was found alone. They were speechless and at the time told no one what they had seen.

³⁷ The next day, when Jesus, Peter, John, and James had come down from the mountain, a large crowd met Jesus. ³⁸ A man from the crowd shouted, “Teacher, I beg you to take a look at my son, my only child. ³⁹ Look, a spirit seizes him and, without any warning, he screams. It shakes him and causes him to foam at the mouth. It tortures him and rarely leaves him alone. ⁴⁰ I begged your disciples to throw it out, but they couldn’t.”

⁴¹ Jesus answered, “You faithless and crooked generation, how long will I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here.” ⁴² While he was coming, the demon threw him down and shook him violently. Jesus spoke harshly to the unclean spirit, healed the child, and gave him back to his father. ⁴³ Everyone was overwhelmed by God’s greatness. While everyone was marveling at everything he was doing, Jesus said to his disciples,

L: The Word of God for all people

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon: ~ A Mountaintop Movement

Rev. Allison Mark

Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer

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We Respond to God’s grace

Celebration of Holy Communion

Clergy Team

Offering Our Gifts ~

Minister Ainise Isama’u

Doxology* *“Glory be to the Father”* UMH#70

Angela Gricar

***Offertory – Prayer of Dedication**

Alan Bone

Glorious God, shine through this offering we now return to you. May our gifts and our very lives bless your world and reveal your love. In gratitude, we pray. Amen.

Going Forth in God's Holy Name

Faith In Action – The Ministry of Faith UMC –

Minister Ainise Isama’u

Closing Hymn* ~ *"Shine Jesus Shine"* FWS#2173

Commission and Blessings * -

Passing of the Peace* - Postlude

Angela Gricar

Rev. Allison Mark