

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Transfiguration of the Lord

March 3, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE *Fugue in C* Johann Pachelbel

INTROIT *(St. Andrews Singers)* *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord* arr. Johnson
Anna Blair, djembe
Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!
Praise God's holy name. Alleluia! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Sam Miglarese

Leader: Blessed is the Lord our God, who revealed the law to Moses.
People: **The Lord our God is Holy!**
Leader: Blessed is the Lord our God, who has spoken through the prophets.
People: **The Lord our God is Holy!**
Leader: Blessed is the Lord our God, who came to us in Jesus Christ.
People: **The Lord our God is Holy!**
Leader: The one who spoke and called light out of darkness now shines in our hearts.
People: **The Lord our God is Holy!**
Leader: The one who comes and does not keep silence now speaks in our midst.
People: **The Lord our God is Holy!**
Leader: Now we have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
People: **The Lord our God is Holy!**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO.12** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* *St. Denio*

***CONFESSION OF SIN** (remain standing) Sam Miglarese

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait.

Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

(Please be seated.)

Response

Psalm 47

Ellingboe

*All who are able, please stand

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jeanne Hervey

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **Eternal Light, shine into our hearts.**

Eternal Power, be our support.

Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance.

**Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us, that with all our heart and mind
and soul and strength we may seek your face, as in the beginning.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 34:29-35

(Pew Bible, OT Page 81)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 9:28-36

(Pew Bible, NT Page 69)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

“When Jesus Lights Up”

Mindy Douglas

(A moment for meditation.)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Scots Confession

John Weicher

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

*HYMN NO. 190

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Geneva

(Children through 1st grade enter worship during hymn.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Mindy Douglas

(Children may return to childcare or join their parents in the pews.)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to Offering

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Offertory Anthem

Prayer of St. Francis

Allen Pote

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith.

Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there's despair, let me bring hope.

Where there is darkness, let there be light. Where there is sadness, let there be joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console.

To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love.

For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned.

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life, to eternal life.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. An instrument of thy peace. Amen.

Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

*THE PEACE

Sam Miglarese

As we pass the peace, remember it is flu season. Signs of reconciliation may be expressed verbally, if desired.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Marilyn Hedgpeth

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

John Weicher

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, Eternal God.
You set the sun to brighten the day and the moon and stars to illumine the night.
You lead us by the light of your truth into the way of righteousness and peace.

All (sung):

Lauda Anima

With the saints we lift our voices, God of power, God of might.

All creation shines with glory, singing praises day and night:

Alleluia, alleluia, holy, holy, holy light.

Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son. In his face, we glimpse your glory. In his life, we see your love. In his rising from the grave we behold the promise of eternal light. Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising as we await the day of his coming. With thanksgiving we offer ourselves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service. Great is the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ that we may be one with all who share this feast, united in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. Illumine our lives, O God, with the radiance of Christ's love, that we may live for you and love as he loved. Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

(Intercessions for the church and the world.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

As you come forward to receive the elements, please bring your blessing bags/supplies and place them in the baskets. Note: gluten/peanut-free bread is served at the station to the right, in front of the lectern.

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

All: **We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ, for the gifts of grace we have received from your hand. Now send us forth to reflect your light, proclaiming your saving death and resurrection until you come again in glory. Amen.**

***HYMN NO. 193**

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

Unser Herrscher

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Mindy Douglas

***POSTLUDE**

Christ, Thou Art Our Light and Day

Georg Boehm

Attention parents: The *Children's Choir* will rehearse today from 12:15 – 12:45 p.m. in the choir room.

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the *Ritual of Friendship pad*, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then **return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you. On Sunday, February 24 we welcomed 29 visitors to worship.

We *welcome* to worship today the *Saint Andrews Singers* under the direction of *Elizabeth Douglas Blair* (sister of *Mindy Douglas*). They are from the Presbyterian-affiliated St. Andrews University, a branch of Webber International University, located in Laurinburg NC. The singers are pursuing a wide variety of majors in addition to music minors. They are immersed in the St. Andrews community through activities such as sports, equestrian, and art. The St. Andrews Singers appear regularly at Presbyterian churches throughout the region, perform at special events and give concerts both on and off campus. They perform a fall, Christmas, and spring concert every academic year and sing at important campus events such as Baccalaureate and Commencement.

The *flowers* are given to the glory of God and in memory of *Florence McDow* who died seven years ago at the age of six. We are eternally grateful to our loving and supportive church family as we continue to cherish her memory through events like the Florence Forth road race. Thank you all for your kindness and care.

- *Will, Leslie, and Laura Mishler McDow*

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Following "A Time with Children," children can remain in worship with their parents or return to the nursery. Childcare for infants – 2 years continues in the nursery for all of worship. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of *today's worship texts* were reprinted from *The Book of Confessions PCUSA* and *Book of Common Worship*.

TODAY at 5:00 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall

FPC's Racial Equity Task Force invites all to a screening of *Slavery by Another Name*, a documentary based on Douglas A. Blackmon's Pulitzer Prize-winning book, which illuminates how in the years following the Civil War, insidious new forms of forced labor emerged in the American South, persisting until the onset of World War II. Following the screening, we will discuss the film together. A light dinner will be served. Contact Sharon Hirsch (919-451-7893 or hirschnc@earthlink.net) or talk with any member of the Racial Equity Task Force if you would like to host a small group screening of the film in March or April in your home.

Annual Meeting of the Church - Sunday, March 10

Members who are able are asked to be present next Sunday, March 10 for the annual meeting of the church which will be held at the end of worship. The agenda includes hearing reports from the Finance Committee, the Long Range Planning Committee, and the Nominating Committee for officers.

Reach Out Sunday

“Invite a friend to church” Day

March 17, 2019

Some things in life are better when you share them.

Join in the fun for FPC’s Reach Out Sunday and experience the friendly faces, beautiful music, and timely message the best way we know how: together.

Invite your family members, neighbors, coworkers, and their children as well.

Following worship on March 17, all are invited to enjoy one of Cris’ delicious lunches! Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal.

~ Our Concerns ~

Added this week:

Tom Bloom

Bob and Mickey Velkey

Recovering at Home:

Margaret Mubanga

Joseph Ngumi

Franzi Rokoske

Karen Swope

Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:

Brookdale Durham: *Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett*

Croasdaile Pavilion: *Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin*

Durham Regent: *John Kerr, Ann Prospero*

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: *Helen Garrison*

The Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant*

Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:

Rev. Bill Bigger, pastor at Hope Valley Baptist Church, Durham

Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King

Dolly Douglas, grandmother of Mindy Douglas

Rev. Mary McKey, friend of Judy and Al Arrowood

Ann Sanders, sister of Jane Brawley

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: *Jeanne Hervey*

Narthex Greeter: *Delia Kwon*

After Worship Greeters: *Jane Wettach* (narthex/rear); *Diane Prosser* (side/font)

Ushers: *John Mozart* (head), *Christy Gudaitis* (flowers), *Mickey Velkey, Amy Dillon, El Hess*

Communion Elders:

Head elder/replenish elements: *Chris Brown*

Bread: *Peter Fish* (B1, process), *Tom Bacon* (B2), *George Bernhardt* (B3), *Karen Romines* (B4)

Cup: *Lenore Champion* (C1), *Gray Wilson* (C2, process), *Jane Wettach* (C3), *Andy Henry* (C4)

Shepherds: *Delia Kwon* (center aisle), *Leah Graves* (font aisle), *Libby Gulley* (pulpit aisle)



March 6, 2019

Both services will include the imposition of ashes on our foreheads or back of our hands.

A Service of Holy Dusting

12 noon in the FPC Memorial Garden (weather permitting)

Evening Worship with Communion

6:30 p.m. in the FPC Sanctuary

A light supper will be served at 6:00 p.m., before the evening worship.

Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal.

The Chancel Choir will rehearse following the worship at 7:15 p.m.



Sunday Lenten Study – Sundays, March 10 – April 7

During Lent, the Faith and Community Class will engage in a study of *Howard Thurman*, African American author, philosopher, theologian, mystic, and social justice leader, whose theology of radical nonviolence shaped, and still shapes, many civil rights leaders. We will view a documentary on Thurman's life, and then study his classic work together: *Jesus and the Disinherited*. Says Vincent Harding in the forward to Thurman's book, "*this richly endowed, seminal work can be more accurately and helpfully described as a profound quest for a liberating spirituality, a way of exploring and experiencing those crucial life points where personal and societal transformation are creatively joined.... Ultimately Thurman's goal was to offer this humanizing combination as the basis for an emancipator way of being, moving toward a fundamentally unchained life that is available to all the women and men everywhere who hunger and thirst for righteousness, especially those 'who stand with their backs against the wall.'*"

We will meet in Watts-Hill Hall at 9:45 a.m. All are welcome to join this class. **An additional opportunity to read and discuss Thurman's book will be on Fridays in room 205, from noon – 1 p.m.** Copies of Thurman's book will be made available for those who wish to read along. Contact Marilyn Hedgpeth for more information and to purchase a copy of the book.

Scratch / Young Adults Lenten Study

Scratchers and young adults are invited to come enjoy tea and learn about the Gospel of Matthew during this Lenten season. This study is hosted by Elizabeth Klinck and Matthew Eggleston (Sparger Road, Durham). Contact Elizabeth for more information: elizabeth.klinck@gmail.com or 919-530-0664.

Daily Lenten Devotionals

You are invited to read the Lenten devotionals submitted by members and friends of FPC this Lenten season. Beginning Wednesday, March 6, these devotionals can be viewed online at FPC's website and on FPC's FACEBOOK page. For members with no online access, copies are available today in the church foyer. Contact Valerie in the church office if you would like an electronic copy of the full compilation of devotionals.

Side by Side: VOX VIRORUM and KIDZNOTES in Concert
Sunday, March 10
3:00 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary



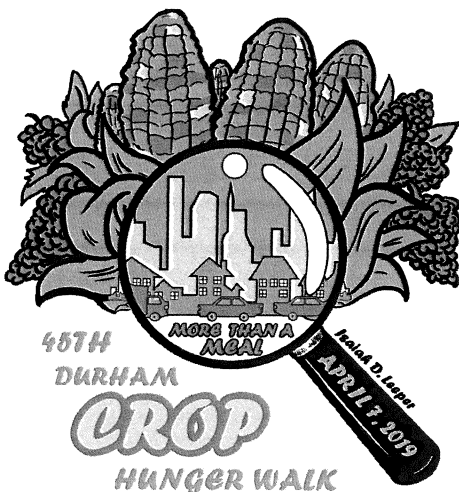
Kidznotes' Haydn, Copland, and Vivaldi Choirs to sing with Vox Virorum Men's Chorus. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Kidznotes, a Durham-based non-profit organization that engages students pre-K through 12th grade in an intense out-of-school musical program that includes instrumental instruction, choir, music theory, general music, orchestra, and band. The concert is free; donations accepted. All are welcome.

Help for those who mourn . . .

Growing thru Grief offers year-round support for those who have lost a loved one. Beginning March 12, Aaron Klink, Chaplain and Bereavement Coordinator at Pruitt Hospice in Rocky Mount, will lead a six-week series on the Introduction to Grief. His topics are:

- March 12** **Grief and the New World after Loss**
- March 19** **The Geography of Grief — Returning Spaces**
- March 26** **Relearning Relationships with the Living**
- April 2** **Relearning our Relationship to the Dead**
- April 9** **Relearning Ourselves**
- April 16** **Relearning the Vision for the Future**

Growing thru Grief is a free, open, confidential program with meetings held year-round on Tuesdays (except for holidays) at **St. Paul's Lutheran Church**, 1200 W. Cornwallis. We gather at 4:00 p.m. for registration, coffee, and cookies; the meetings start at 4:30 and end by 6.



**It's time to get our team together to walk in this year's
Durham CROP Walk for hunger relief.**


The 45th Durham CROP Hunger Walk
Sunday, April 7
beginning at 2:30 p.m. from Duke Chapel

Not able to walk this year? Support FPC's team by sponsoring a walker. Please make checks payable to Durham Crop Walk and give to the person you are sponsoring. For more information about this event, go to: <http://durhamcropwalk.org/the-walk/>. To sign up to walk and/or make a donation, go online to: <https://goo.gl/6S4VcN>. You can also sign up after worship on Sundays in the foyer. Contact **Jody Maxwell**, FPC's coordinator this year, if you have questions.


Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;
We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

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Capo 3: (Dm)

(Gm)

(A7)

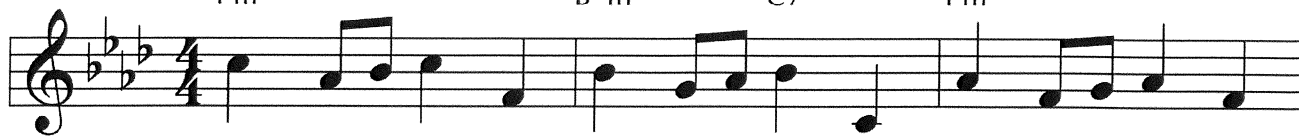
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1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo - ry, heav - en's voice, the
 2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la - tion, they shall gain and
 3 Lord, trans - fig - ure our per - cep - tion with the pur - est

(Gm)

(A7)

(Dm)

(Gm)

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Fm

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daz - zling light; Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish;
 keep its truth, not by build - ing on the moun - tain
 light that shines, and re - cast our life's in - ten - tions

(Dm)

(A7) (Dm)

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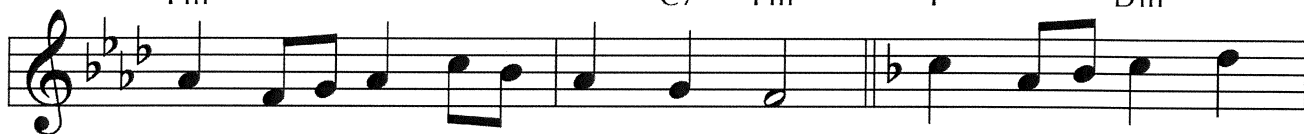
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C7 Fm

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Dm



Christ a - lone com - mands the height! Pe - ter, James, and
 an - y shrine or sa - cred booth, but by fol - low -
 to the shape of your de - signs, till we seek no

(Em)

(A7)

(D)

(Bm)

(Em)

(A7) (D)

Gm

C7

F

Dm

Gm

C7

F



John fall si - lent, turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise down - ward
 ing the Sav - ior through the val - ley to the cross and by
 oth - er glo - ry than what lies past Cal - vary's hill and our

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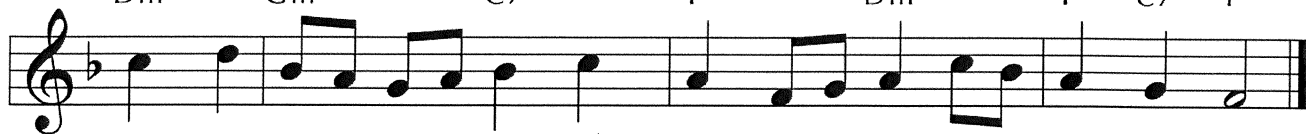
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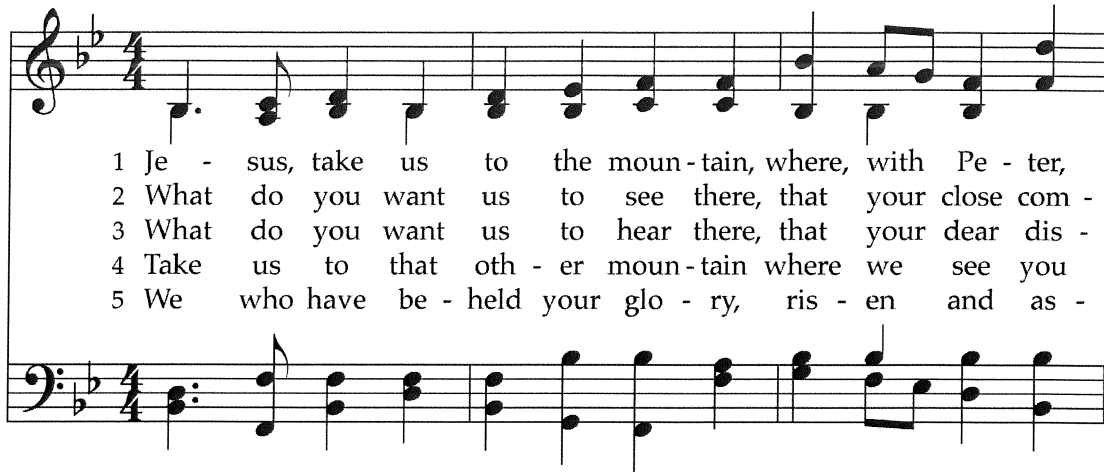
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toward the shad - owed val - ley where their Lord has fixed his eyes.
 test - ing faith's re - sil - ience through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.
 liv - ing and our dy - ing and our ris - ing by your will.

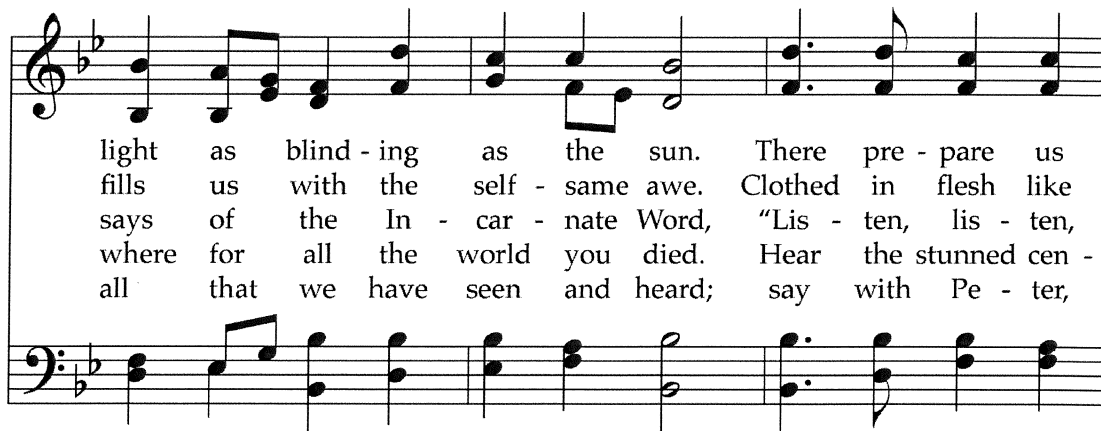
193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain



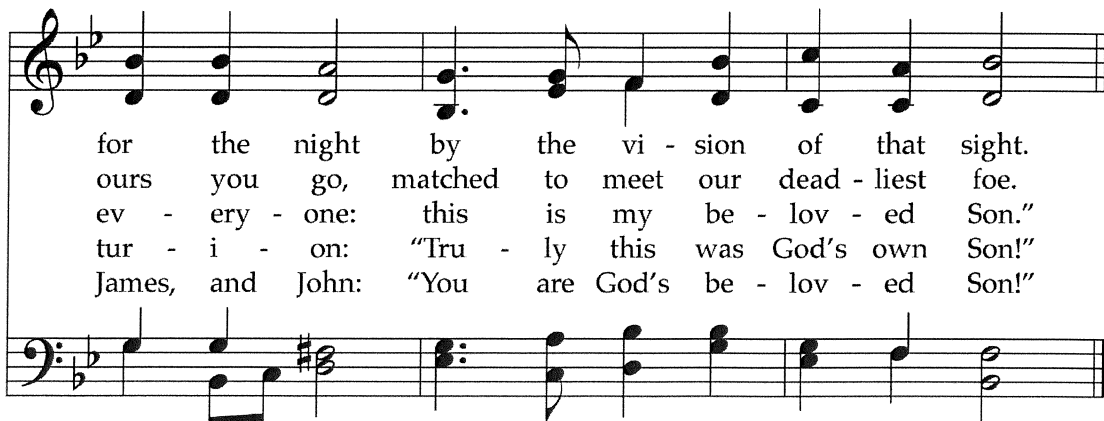
1 Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain, where, with Pe - ter,
2 What do you want us to see there, that your close com -
3 What do you want us to hear there, that your dear dis -
4 Take us to that oth - er moun - tain where we see you
5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, ris - en and as -



James, and John, we are daz - zled by your glo - ry,
pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there
ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en
glo - ri - fied, where you shout - ed "It is fin - ished!"
cend - ed Lord, can - not help but tell the sto - ry,





light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us
fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like
says of the In - car - nate Word, "Lis - ten, lis - ten,
where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -
all that we have seen and heard; say with Pe - ter,



for the night by the vi - sion of that sight.
ours you go, matched to meet our dead - liest foe.
ev - ery - one: this is my be - lov - ed Son."
tur - i - on: "Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"
James, and John: "You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

The Week at a Glance!

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| <p>After Worship 12:15 – 12:45 PM Children's Choir</p> <p>12:30 -2:00 PM Associate Pastor Nominating Committee</p> <p>5:00 PM <i>Slavery by Another Name</i> Documentary Showing and Discussion with light supper</p> <p>4:30 – 6:30 PM Middle School Youth</p> <p>6:00 – 8:00 PM High School Youth</p> | <p>Monday, March 4 9:00 AM – Noon Walk-in Ministry client interviews</p> <p>10:30 AM – 12:30 PM Presbyterian Women Circle & Bible Study</p> | <p>Tuesday, March 5 8:00 – 8:45 AM High School Youth at Kaffeinate</p> <p>1:30 PM Plan Worship</p> <p>2:30 PM March for Farmworker Justice: A Protest Against Wendy's franchise (Gather at 2:00 PM at 101 Weaver St., Carrboro and march to UNC–Chapel Hill)</p> <p>2:30 PM Program Staff</p> <p>6:30 PM Personnel Committee</p> <p>Newsletter Today</p> | <p>Wednesday, March 6</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>12:00 Noon A Service of Holy Dusting</p> <p>5:00 PM Handbell Choir</p> <p>6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Supper</p> <p>6:30 PM Worship with the Imposition of Ashes & Communion</p> <p>7:15 PM Chancel Choir</p> |
| <p>Thursday, March 7 9:00 AM – Noon Walk-in Ministry client interviews</p> | <p>Friday, March 8 12 Noon – 1:00 PM Lenten Study: <i>Jesus and the Disinherited</i></p> | <p>Saturday, March 9 10:30 AM Scratch/Young Adults Potluck Brunch at the home of Gray and Amy Wilson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Spring forward clocks one hour before going to bed.</p> | <p>Sunday, March 10 <i>Daylight Saving time begins at 2:00 a.m.</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship, Baptism, and Communion (Annual Meeting of the Church at end of worship)</p> <p>12:15 – 12:45 PM Children's Choir</p> <p>2:00 – 4:00 PM Shape Note Choir</p> <p>3:00 PM Concert Vox Virorum and Kidznotes</p> <p>4:30 – 5:30 PM Scratch Lenten Study at Elizabeth Klinck's home</p> <p>5:30 – 7:30 PM Youth Groups (offsite)</p> |

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Tom Bloom, Business Administrator
Robert Daye, Sexton
Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate
Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor



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Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator
Sam Miglarese, Associate Pastor
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music
John Weicher, Associate Pastor

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