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A Community Following in the Footsteps of Christ

Transfiguration
February 11th, 2018
9:30am

(Please silence your cell phone)

We Gather

Gathering Music

Christ, Upon the Mountain Peak

Peter Cutts

(Please remain seated)

Welcome and Announcements

A Community Following in the Footsteps of Christ
Lenten Lunches

(Please remain seated)

Invocation

P We gather for worship in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them. Matthew 18:20

Transfiguration

P God of grace,
sometimes discipleship is so difficult.

C We see you standing in front of us and we look for glory.

Then you tell us to expect heartbreak and challenge.

**We get a glimpse of your glory,
and we are confused, frightened, unsure what to do or say.**

P God of grace, made known in Jesus Christ,
in the challenge and in the glory

**C you call us to look toward you,
to listen to you.**

P Grant us the grace and wisdom to watch,

**C to listen,
to follow,
to learn,
and, in the end,
to possibly understand,
as we join you on The Way,
as we explore the glorious Kingdom.**

(Please stand as you are able)

Beautiful Savior

- 1 Beautiful Savior,
King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee,
truly I'd serve thee,
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

- 2 Fair are the meadows,
fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

- 3 Fair is the sunshine,
fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
than all the angels in the sky.

- 4 Beautiful Savior,
Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!

Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904

(Please be seated)

Confession and Forgiveness

P Forgive us, O God,
when we stumble in the darkness
and turn away from your face.

**C Strengthen us to walk in your brightness
and live in your ways.
Enlighten the shadows
that keep us from growing
in your love and light.
Shower us with your grace,
that we might shine as your people
upon this earth.**

P We are God's Beloved;
with us, God is well pleased.
We are renewed and restored.
We are forgiven and loved.

Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus
to reach out and touch him,
and say that we love him.
Open our ears, Lord,
and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus.

Mark 9:2-9

²Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Sonatina

Antonin Dvorak

Joe Malmquist, violin

Marge Malmquist, piano

The Word

(Please stand as you are able)

Gospel: **Matthew 28:16-20**

P The Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

Sermon

Pastor Jeff Mikyska

(Please stand as you are able)

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Lord, you give the great commission:

“Heal the sick and preach the word.”

Lest the church neglect its mission,

and the gospel go unheard,

help us witness to your purpose

with renewed integrity:

Refrain

With the Spirit’s gifts empow’r us

for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service:

“In my name baptize and teach.”

That the world may trust your promise,

life abundant meant for each,

give us all new fervor, draw us

closer in community: Refrain

Lord, you bless with words assuring:

“I am with you to the end.”

Faith and hope and love restoring,

may we serve as you intend

and, amid the cares that claim us,

hold in mind eternity: Refrain

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Epiphany Creed

P We confess our faith.

C I believe in God, the creator of the universe, who spoke, “Let there be light!” and there was light, setting in motion all of creation and blessing it to this day.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, the light of the world
That shines in the darkness. The darkness cannot
overcome it.**

**He embodied humanity in the image of God.
In kindness, truthfulness, humility and devotion,
He suffered for the greater good.
He was and is the Son of God.
He died on the cross for us,
God’s saving grace!**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The guiding light of God in our world.
Through his spirit, God penetrates and reveals
the darkness of human sin, helps people grow and
become the people they are meant to be.
I believe in the power of transformation,
Through God's spirit and light,
Here in this world and in the world to come.
Amen**

(Please be seated)

This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Children's Message
Deaconess Andrea Delaney

Offering Music

How Firm a Foundation

Lee Brussels

Joe Malmquist, violin

Marge Malmquist, piano

(Please remain seated)

Offering Response

We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission
compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love.

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Prayers of the People

The assisting minister will end each prayer petition with:

A Lord in your mercy,

The congregation will respond with:

C **hear our prayer.**

The prayers will end with:

P Keep us faithful to the call we have received in Christ Jesus, our Lord, extending your loving invitation to the world around us.

C **Amen**

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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The Meal

The Words of Institution

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave thanks;
and gave it to his disciples saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup,
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Supper

P As we listen for your word that calls us to follow,
we speak of that mystery we call faith

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus
taught us:

**C 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 and ever. Amen**

Communion

- *Our table is open to all who wish to share in the sacrament.*
- *Non-communicating children and adults are invited to receive a blessing.*
- *Please kneel if you are able or stand at the communion rail.*
- *If you would rather have grape juice, a wheat wafer or a gluten-free wafer, please let the communion assistant know.*

Communion Music

Psalm 50: He Shall Call to the Heavens

Anthoni van Noordt

We Now Implore the Holy Ghost

Dietrich Buxtehude

(Please stand as you are able)

Blessing after Communion

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

C **Amen**

Benediction

P Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever.

C **Amen**

Sending

We Are Called

1 **Come! Live in the light!**
 Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
 We are called to be light for the kingdom,
 to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain

We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.

2 **Come! Open your heart!**
 Show your mercy to all those in fear!
 We are called to be hope for the hopeless
so hatred and blindness will be no more. Refrain

3 **Sing! Sing a new song!**
 Sing of that great day when all will be one!
 God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
 as sisters and brothers united in love. Refrain

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Sending Forth the People of God

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Sending Music

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Graham Kendrick; arr. Mark Hayes

The **altar flowers** are given by her friends in honor of Irene Johnston's 100th birthday on February 7th.

The **worship folders** are given by Barb & Wally Allen in memory of Arnie Allen on his birthday on February 8th.

Pastor	Jeffrey G. Mikyska
Deaconess	Andrea Delaney
Organist	Michael Fetzer
Assisting Minister	Cecilia Anderson
Communion Assistants	Bib Kappes, Matthew Kolakowski Hannah Kolakowski, Steve Linstrom
Ushers	Doug & Jan Riebock Noel Borows
Greeter	Kris Benson

Special Offerings

7 day candle: \$8

___ Feb 25 ___ Mar 4
 ___ Mar 11
 ___ Mar 18
 ___ Mar 25

wine: \$ 8

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altar flowers: \$25

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radio broadcast: \$100

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