

Welcome and Announcements: February 14, 2020

Happy Valentine's Day!

Wednesday Lenten Devotionals will be sent out by email, and will be livestreamed to our Facebook page at 12:30 p.m.

Ash Wednesday worship will be via Zoom at 7 p.m. February 17. Bring a cross that you want to share. Same link as today's February worship: Meeting ID: 838 1567 2509 Passcode: 878990

Our Lenten Speaker Series is "The Future of the Church: Conversations with Young Adults" and it will begin next Sunday, February 21 starting at 11 a.m. Austin is our first speaker and he will be discussing the future of church music. The Zoom link will be sent by email, or you can log in with the following: Meeting ID: 831 6464 3603 Passcode: 736553

Immediately after today's worship – we will have our congregational meeting to elect officers and present the budget. Please stay on this Zoom call!

Prelude: * *A Morning Prayer* – Donald Lee Moore

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GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Opening Prayer: Based on Psalm 50 ~ written by James E. Janecek, and posted on the **WorshipWays** website. <http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/>

Come, listen to the One
who speaks and summons the earth,
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Come, see the One
who shines forth in the perfection of beauty.

Come, bring thanksgiving, the sacrifice that honors the One
who shows the salvation of God.

Opening Hymn: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

1. Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish,

Thee will I honor,
Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2. Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer,
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

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GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Malachi 4:1-6; Mark 9:2-14

Malachi 4:1-6

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³ And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

⁴ Remember the teaching of my servant Moses, the statutes and ordinances that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵ Lo, I will send you the prophet Elijah before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. ⁶ He will turn the hearts of parents to their children and the hearts of children to their parents, so that I will not come and strike the land with a curse.

Mark 9:2-14

² Six 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, ³ and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one^[b] on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings,^[c] one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁶ He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud

there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved;^[d] listen to him!”⁸ Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹ As 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. ¹⁰ So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead could mean. ¹¹ Then they asked him, “Why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?” ¹² He said to them, “Elijah is indeed coming first to restore all things. How then is it written about the Son of Man, that he is to go through many sufferings and be treated with contempt? ¹³ But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written about him.”

Sermon

The Rev. Kerra Becker English

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

...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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Response: *Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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SENDING US OUT TO BE GOD’S WORD IN THE WORLD

Closing Hymn: *O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*

*(Sung to the tune: Canonbury – melody of “*Lord Speak to Me that I May Speak*”)

1. O wondrous sight, O vision fair
Of glory that the church shall share.
Which Christ upon the mountain shows,

Where brighter than the sun He glows!

2. From age to age the tale declare,
How with the three disciples there,
Where Moses and Elijah meet,
The Lord holds converse high and sweet.

3. The law and prophets there have place,
Two chosen witnesses of grace;
The Father's voice from out the cloud
Proclaims His only Son aloud.

4. And faithful hearts are raised on high
By this great vision's mystery,
For which in joyful strains we raise
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude: * *Excerpt from Rondo* – Joseph Haydn

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