FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 403 WASHINGTON STREET WATERTOWN, NEW YORK 13601 315-782-1750

> February 27, 2022 10:00 a.m.



Going to The Mount of Transfiugration, He Qi, 2004

"Transfiguration" refers to a change in form or appearance. At the Transfiguration of the Lord, we celebrate the revelation of divine glory in the human life of Jesus Christ. Jesus' radiant appearance on the mountaintop evokes the consuming fire of the glory of the Lord at Mount Sinai. Standing with Moses and Elijah, Jesus represents the fulfillment of the law and the prophets. The transfiguration looks back to Jesus' incarnation and baptism, as God again claims him as a beloved child. This event also looks forward to his death and resurrection, as the one who is lifted up on the cross will reveal the glorious victory of God.

#### GATHERING

Gathering Music Shine, Jesus, Shine Amazing Grace When Morning Gilds the Skies Pastor's Greeting and Words of Welcome Prelude The Transfiguration (Hymnus) \*Litany for Transfiguration Leader Blessed is the Lord our God who revealed the law to Moses. People: The Lord our God is holy! Blessed is the Lord our God, who has spoken through the prophets. The Lord our God is holy! Blessed is the Lord our God, who came to us in Jesus Christ. The Lord our God is holy! The one who spoke and called light out of darkness now shines in our hearts. The Lord our God is holy! The one who comes and does not keep silence now speaks in our midst. The Lord our God is holy! Now we have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. The Lord our God is holy! silence is kept

Great God of dazzling beauty And overshadowing majesty, In Jesus Christ, your beloved, we glimpse the image of your glory. Teach us to listen to him so that we may hear your voice and follow your holy way; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist John Carter David Cherwien Dale Wood

Franz Liszt

#### \*Opening Hymn #215

When Morning Gilds the Skies

#### **Confession of Sin**

Jesus said: Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not come to light. This is not meant to incite fear, but to inspire trust in the gracious mercy of God.

Trusting in God's mercy and love, let us confess our sins together.

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

#### **Prayer Through Music**

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light, verses 1-2 (See Insert)

#### Assurance of Pardon

The one who calls light out of darkness Now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

#### \*Response

I Want to Walk as a Child in the Light, verse 3

#### A Time With Young Disciples

Hymn: Bless These Children, Lord, We Pray (to the tune of "Seek Ye First", words by Andrew Long) Bless these children, Lord, we pray; and walk with them every day. Teach us to hear them and cherish what they say: Children will show us the way.

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### **Prayer For Illumination**

#### **First Scripture Lesson**

Exodus 34:29-35 (Old Testament, page 81 in pew Bibles)

#### Anthem

arr. Joel Raney

This Little Light of Mine Michele Bariteau, flute

#### **Second Scripture Lesson**

Luke 9:28-36 (New Testament, pages 69-70 in pew Bibles)

#### Sermon

"Listen and Look" Rev. Dr. Andrew Philip Long

\*HYMN (see insert) Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain"

#### \*Affirmation of Faith - from The Westminster Confession of Faith

Let us say what we believe:

It pleased God, in his eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man, the prophet, priest, and king; the head and Savior of his Church, the heir of all things, and judge of the world; unto whom he did, from all eternity, give a people to be his seed, and to be by him in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified. Amen.

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD

#### **COMMUNITY CONNECT**

At this time in worship we share information on how you can connect even better with the community at FPC Watertown. During this time we also share our joys and concerns, as well as any other relevant information to our life together.

#### Offering



Donations can be made by either scanning the QR code from the Venmo app or by searching for @First\_Pres\_of\_Watertown.

#### The OFFERTORY

God Leads Us Along Michele Bariteau, flute arr. Hilliard

\*THE DOXOLOGY Praise God from who

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

#### The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

#### \*Closing Hymn #431

Shine, Jesus, Shine

#### \*Blessing and Benediction

#### \*Passing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** 

Please safely share some sign of Christ's peace with your neighbor.

During this time of public concern over health and wellness, please be respectful of those who may want to avoid physical contact while share The Peace; flashing the 'peace sign' is a perfectly appropriate way to share Christ's peace. 'Fist bumps,' 'elbow bumps,' or slick dance moves can also extend Christ's peace to your neighbors.

#### Postlude

Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious

Welsh tune, arr. Eugene Butler

Today's <u>Radio Broadcast</u> is a gift in loving memory of **Dr. Douglas M. Sanford**, from his wife, Mary Rose Sanford.

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# We Pray for...

William, Steven, Jonathan, Nora, Tyler, The Elmer & Lake Families, Grace, Sam & Ruth, Mary Lynn, Midwest Tornado Victims, Josh L., Deanne, Mary, Gini, Tom, Linda & Ken, Shane, Millie, Gerda, Jamie, Annie, Mount Moriah Presbyterian Church, NNY Presbytery, Synod of the Northeast, the sick, all essential workers, students & teachers, medical professionals, all serving in the military, peace & justice, all people in positions of power & leadership

# THIS WEEK

"The Chosen" - Episode 2 - TODAY, February 27th, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall

**"The Open Table" Community Meal -** TODAY, February 27th, 5:00-6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall (Take Out only)

Staff Meeting - Tuesday, March 1st, 12:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday Service - Wednesday, March 2nd, 12:30 p.m., Chapel

Bible Study Discussion on "The Chosen" - Wednesday, March 2nd, 6:00 p.m., FH

Ash Wednesday Service - Wednesday, March 2nd, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Deacons' Meeting - Thursday, March 3rd, 5:00 p.m.

NO Adult Handbell Rehearsals this week

Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Thursday, March 3rd, 7:30 p.m.

"The Chosen" - Episode 3 - Next Sunday, March 6th, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall



"O taste and see that the Lord is good!-Psalm 34:8

- When: TODAY, Sunday, February 27, 5-6pm (or until we run out)
- What: Macaroni and Cheese, Sliced Ham, and Fruit takeout dinner
- Where: First Presbyterian Watertown, Northeast parking lot door (look for the signs!)
- Who: Everyone is Welcome!



### LENT AT FIRST PRES. WATERTOWN

## ASH WEDNESDAY March 2nd

12:30 p.m. - Spoken Midday Prayer in the chapel with the imposition of ashes.

7:30 p.m. - Traditional Sanctuary Worship with music and the imposition of ashes

# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT March 6th

10:00 a.m. - Welcome Home, Part 1: What Greater Love? The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper Child care available - No Sunday School

