

***Welcome!***

**Prayer of Preparation**

*O God, today we celebrate your dazzling reign  
in the brightness of the transfigured Jesus.*

*Through this time of worship, help us to joyously welcome  
the unexpected, to allow it to transform our discipleship.*

*In the name of the shining Son, we pray. Amen*

**We will sing from the Gold Hymnal today**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE      *"Sweet Hour of Prayer"*      arr Du Mars      Bells

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: May we sparkle today!

P: ***We will let our lights shine!***

L: We illuminate God in the world!

P: ***We proclaim God's wonders and dreams!***

\*HYMN      *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"*      no. 325

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***O God of light, as we prepare to leave the season of Epiphany,  
we remember that it began with the brightness of a star.***

***Today, we witness the brightness of the man whose birth was  
proclaimed throughout the heavens with that star.***

***Jesus illuminates life; for that we give praise.***

***When Jesus leads us on a path that is not always bejeweled  
and bright, help us to trust and to follow, to endure with him.***

***Amen***

+SILENT PRAYER

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

L: Shine your grace in us, God!

C: ***Grace upon grace, shine through us!***

\*PRAISE RESPONSE      *"Gloria Patri"*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost!*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end! Amen Amen*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING      Exodus 24: 12-18      pg. 62

ANTHEM      *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*      arr Schrader

SCRIPTURE READING      Matthew 17: 1-9      pg. 798

MESSAGE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      *"Transfiguration"*

***We believe in a God who is***

***never confined to our imagining,***

***is never in bondage to our beliefs,***

***and never held fast in our dwelling places.***

***Our God is the mystery of divine***

***and human bound together,***

***of power and vulnerability, of crucifixion and resurrection.***

***Our God is the wonder of truth and compassion,***

***of liberation and responsibility***

***of eternal wisdom and costly grace.***

***We celebrate this God who leaps free of all our boundaries in love***

***stretching out from horizon to horizon,***

***and in mercy bending deep into fragile human hearts.***

*Dorothy McRae-McMahon*

\*HYMN      *"Let's Just Praise the Lord"*      no. 317

OFFERING/OFFERTORY      CALL TO THE OFFERING

*"The Angelus"*      by Gounod      Bells

\*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 382

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION/THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts)

\*HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" no.327  
 \*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

\*RESPONSE "They'll Know We are Christians, v. 1" no. 677

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)  
 POSTLUDE "Fanfare on Webb" arr Young

(L- Leader; P- **People**. Those who are able, please \*- stand, +-kneel)

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Ken Leshar	Gary Youndt	Shirley Miller
Paul Flickinger	Dr. Bob Wahl	Joseph Miller
Lauri	Kay Schell	Carol Sanders
The family of Buster Stover	The family of Beverly Acker	
The family of Pierce Leshar		

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 Greeters.....Deb Hedrick  
 Head Usher.....Bev Madara

The altar flowers are given in memory of my grandparents Rosie and George Zell and Florence and Roy Leshar by Cindy Anthony.

Scripture for NEXT Sunday, March 1: Romans 5: 12-19  
 Matthew 4: 1-11



# Peace United Church of Christ

To all who are weary and need rest; to all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who pray and to all who do not but ought; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will come – this church opens wide the door and says in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,

**WELCOME!**



**February 23, 2020**  
**Transfiguration Sunday**