



Sunday, February 27, 2022 ~ Transfiguration of the Lord

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) -- Have you **checked in** for worship?

*please stand as you are able

Welcome and Work of God's People

Paul Savage

Way of the Week #14

14. GROW FAITH. Take advantage of every chance you have to form your faith – through small groups, classes, and personal study. Be a disciple and look to learn from those who know more of the Bible and Christian life than you do, then look for opportunities to share what you've gained with someone else.

Ideas for Action: If you're not currently in a small group, call the church office and ask for assistance in finding one. Ask for some time with someone whose faith you respect and pick their brains on their practices of faith formation.

Music in Preparation for Worship

In Thee, Oh Lord, Have I Hoped

Joel Krott, Organ

Johann Christoff Bach

Introsits

I Like to Go to My Church

Primary Choir; Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

Butler

I like to go to my church, I like to sing and pray,
I like to hear the people sing; It's a happy day!

Our Church

Primary Choir; Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

Kirkland

Our church is such a happy place! We like to worship here.
And when we sing our songs of praise, we feel God very near.

***Call to Worship**

Paul Savage

Lord God, we have come to worship you because we are sinners in need of your forgiveness.

We come tired from our work, in need of refreshment and re-creation.

We come with worries, in need of your guidance. Allow us to see you with the eyes of faith, and to hear you with the ears of understanding.

Make us thankful for all the good we have received from you. Awaken in us a longing to do what is right.

Help us to know you, love you and obey you—today and always. Come now, and let us worship God.

***Prayer of Adoration**

Paul Savage

Hymn No. 29 (verses 1, 4)

O Worship the King

Margaret Munro, Soloist; Joel Krott, Organ

****Seating interlude*

Call to Confession

Stuart Spencer

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, Source of all life, Lord of mercy and grace, hear our prayer.

We come before you in need of healing:

The healing of our bodies and souls,

The healing of our relationships,

The healing of our pride and fear and apathy.

We know that with you, nothing is impossible, not even our healing,

Not even the restoration of the whole world.

We pray that you will heal us, that you will heal our world,

So that we will be freed to serve and love and dream and be,

As Christ calls us. Amen.

Time for silent prayers of confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends. Sisters, brothers: hear this good news and see the grace of God:

You are forgiven. You are free to go and live in the light of love.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Anthem

Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands

Traditional French Melody

Junior Choir; Nancy Bender, Piano

Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all,
Healing pain and sickness, blessing children small,
Washing tired feet and saving those who fall;
Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.

Take my hands, Lord Jesus, let them work for you;
Make them, strong and gentle, kind in all I do;
Let me watch You, Jesus, till I'm gentle too,
Till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for You.

Offertory & Moment for Lent

Wes Allen

THANK YOU for your faithful giving and for remembering the church as we journey through Lent. Your offerings dramatically impact our ministry, and allow us to support church operations and our work in the world. Those attending in person may leave an offering in the box located in the narthex. Electronic giving is here to stay! Take advantage of this simple, secure [automatic withdrawal](#). Donate from your phone via the Church Center app too.

Offertory Music

Extol the Lord

Starks

Bell Choir; Kathy Gunsallus, Director

Jim Cole, Barbara Fletcher, Lissa Herman, Melissa McNab, Sawyer McNab, Marion Norcross, Peg Pierce, Stacy Schaffer, Vicki Terry

Sermon

Stuart Spencer

"Humility Handbook"

Scripture Text: Romans 12: 9-21 (NRSV) (page 162 Pew Bible NT)

Sermon Series: Your Best Friend, Your Worst Enemy

Hymn No. 20 (verse 3)

Thou Art Giving and Forgiving

Margaret Munro, Soloist; Joel Krott, Organ

Music in Preparation for Worship

From My Heart's Deep Foundation

Johann Christoff Bach

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Benediction and Going Forth

Stuart Spencer

8:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio Technician:	Harris E. Ransom
Live Video Streaming:	Harris A. Ransom
Flower Arrangers:	Stacy Schaffer and Karin Miller
Ushers:	Michael Welch, Gary Bender, Tom Samuel
Trustee Greeter:	Jeff Legath
Check-In Volunteers:	Deacon Paul Gordon
Interim Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's flowers are given by Jane Murphy to the glory of God and in loving memory of her mother, Ruth Fisher

Work of God's People

- [Service Pledge](#) – The Stewardship & Nominations Committees have created a simple online Service Pledge for members to indicate ways in which they wish to connect and serve this year. Where is God leading you? How can you best use the talents God has given you? The form is available [ONLINE](#), allowing members to complete prayerfully. Hard copied are available too. **Kindly complete by February 28th.**
- Pick up a copy of a [special Lent Programming Guide](#) for this meaningful Lenten and Easter season detailing special activities and worship. Download your copy from the website or pick up a hard copy at church.
- [Lenten Group Study](#) – This year we are reading “The Way of a Pilgrim” by R.M. French, and invite you to sign up online or in the Commons Lobby. It’s an inspiring read. Purchase books online from Amazon.com or pick up limited copies Sunday morning at the Grand Central table in the Commons Lobby. Group Study begins the week of Ash Wednesday, **March 2**. Sign ups began Sunday, Feb. 13.
- Pick up a copy of “**Grace Unbounded,**” our Lent devotional, for \$3.00 in the church office. *Grace Unbounded* provides daily devotions from Ash Wednesday to Easter from the Gospel of Luke.
- [Ash Wednesday March 2](#) – Safely take part in Drive Through Ashes at 12 noon in our main parking lot. Ash Wednesday Worship at 7:00 pm begins the Lent Season. Preaching will be our intern Paul Savage.
- [NEW: Praying the Jesus Prayer](#) with Stuart Spencer via Zoom on Thursdays in Lent from 6:30-7:00 p.m. (March 3-April 7). This prayer is the centerpiece of our Lenten Study, *The Way of a Pilgrim*. Register through our Events Page on our website. There’s no cost and friends outside the church are welcome.
- Information was mailed regarding our annual [Per Capita giving](#). As a *connectional church*, this “per member” contribution of \$38.75 per member above one’s pledge supports the General Assembly, Synod and Presbytery. Members are asked to help provide the \$38.75 for themselves and/or their member children (if able). Or you may [submit an “opt-out” request](#) if you do NOT wish this portion to be paid. You must alert the church office. Your response and support is most appreciated and will assist the church in paying this assessment. Questions? Call Norman in the church office at 856.235.1688, Ext. 112.
- During the Easter season, remember loved ones by purchasing Easter flowers to be placed in our two worship spaces on Sunday, April 17, 2022. Order forms will be available in *Connections* and online on **March 20, March 27 and April 3**. Flowers will be \$15.
- We are looking for **additional ushers** for the 11:00 am Contemporary service. Men and women welcome. Contact coordinator Steve Connlain at sconnlain@gmail.com or the church office.