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Transfiguration Sunday

10:30 AM

If you are a guest, thank you for worshiping with us today. We invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary. We pray God's blessing upon you.

For today's service, we will be using the black hymnal.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus

by Fallersleben

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: It is good to be here in this sacred space,

P: in the shelter of God's love and hope.

L: It is good to be here with folks we know well, as well as with new friends,

P: joining with all of God's beloved, sisters and brothers of Jesus.

L: It is good to be here, where we can hear God's voice,

P: calling us to be eyewitnesses to the Spirit's presence.

WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM

We Worship You

by Edwards

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

ALL: Holy God, we confess that we do not trust You fully. Though we want to walk with Moses and see God's holy radiance, we hide in the mist of our own desires, unable to perceive the presence of God's grace.

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

While we want a world of justice and peace, we walk in clouds of selfishness, unable to share God's loving-kindness. Though we want to follow you up the mountain, we cower in fear, unable to bear the light of God. You have given us a love more fully than anything we could experience in this world but we do not seek it, we do not hold on to it, and we look to our own means of assurance and security. Forgive us. Call us back to You that we may put our trust in You and not be afraid. In the name of Jesus, who loves us and offers us forgiveness, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. (#2162, Faith We Sing)

Grace Alone

ALL SING: Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith, every difference we will make is only by his grace. Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we shine, every blessing left behind, is only by his grace. Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown, he will provide. Christ in us our Cornerstone; we will go forth in grace alone.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*Rob, Beth, Wyatt, and Gillian Cunningham
Andy, Kristen, and Ella Mekulsia*

HYMN (see insert)³

We Are the Church

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE
MESSAGE

Exodus 24: 12-18

HYMN NO. 30 (black hymnal)

Colorful Creator

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

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OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Majesty

by Smith and Garrard

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE (from FWS #2175, v. 1 & 4) *Together We Serve*

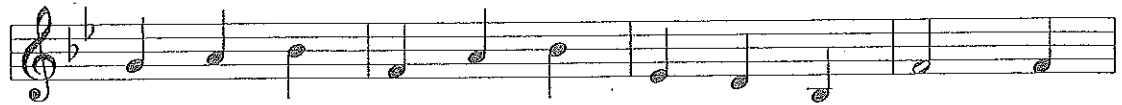
GRACE

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Together We Serve



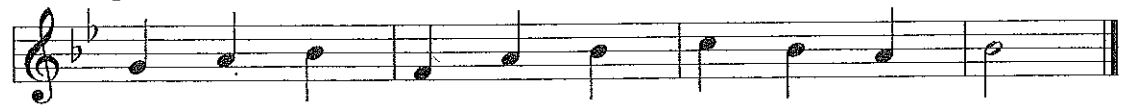
1. To - geth - er we serve, u - nit - ed by love, in -
2. We seek to be - come a bea - con of hope, a
3. We wel - come the scarred, the wealth - y, the poor, the
4. To - geth - er, by grace, we wit - ness and work, re -



vit - ing God's world to the glo - ri - ous feast. We
lamp for the heart and a light for the feet. We
bus - y, the lone - ly, and all who need care. We
mem - ber - ing Je - sus, in whom we grow strong. To -



work and we pray through sor - row and joy, ex -
learn, year by year, to let love shine through un -
of - fer a home to those who will come, our
geth - er we serve in Spir - it and truth, re -



tend - ing your love to the last and the least.
til we see Christ in each per - son we meet.
hands quick to help, our hearts read - y to dare.
mem - ber - ing love is the strength of our song.

WORDS: Daniel Charles Damon

MUSIC: Daniel Charles Damon

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SAN ANSELMO

55.11 D

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 181 (black hymnal)

You Are Salt for the Earth, O People

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Grand Jeu

by Guilain

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

We welcome infants and children in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back of the sanctuary where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We also have nursery care downstairs during our 10:30 AM worship service. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

One vase of altar flowers is presented in honor of our sister Margie Howe's "special" birthday, from Jeff and Nancy Sleeper.

One vase of altar flowers is presented for the honor and glory of God.

The bulletins are presented for the glory of God by Don and Diane Strine.

Thank you to the Worship Choir for participating in the 10:30 AM service today.

Thank you to the following instrumentalists for sharing their musical talents during the anthem this morning: Wyatt Cunningham - Drums; Mason DeMers - Bass Guitar; Mike Ferree - Trumpet; Matt Grimes - Trombone; Jackson Kollasch - Keyboard; Missy Kiefer - Trombone; Ryan Myers - Trumpet; Jordyn Myers - Trumpet; Danielle Neff - Flute; Travis Pinci - Piano

We offer a hearing assistance system called *Listen Technologies*. If you would like to use a receiver, please check with the volunteers at the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

8 AM Worship Tech: Ken Dunbar

8 AM Welcome Team: Jon and Barb Waltemyer; Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

8 AM Sound Tech: Ivy Leach

8 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Bonnie Dull

10:30 AM Welcome Team: The Gyenes Family; Bill and Bonnie Murphy

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Tom Mulligan

10:30 AM Video Tech: John Schriver

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Carter Beyer

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

¹ by Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies for Feb. 26th. <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/>

² created using <http://rev-o-lution.org/2014/02/21/worship-resources-for-march-2-2014-transfiguration-sunday/>
and <http://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/4728/worship-elements-february-26-2017-option-1>

³#558 in the United Methodist Hymnal

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

Colorful Creator

Unison

Ruth Duck, 1992

1 Col-or - ful Cre - a - tor, God of mys - ter - y,
 2 Har-mo-ny of a - ges, God of lis - tening ear,
 3 Au-thor of our jour - ney, God of near and far,
 4 God of truth and beau - ty, Po - et of the Word,

thank you for the art - ist teach - ing us to see glimps - es of the
 thank you for com - pos - ers tun - ing us to hear ech - oes of the
 praise for tale and dra - ma tell - ing who we are, strip - ping to the
 may we be cre - a - tors by the Spir - it stirred, o - pen to your

mean - ing of the com - mon - place, vi - sions of the
 Gos - pel in the songs we sing, sounds of love and
 es - sence strug - gles of our day, times of change and
 pres - ence in our joy and strife, ves - sels of the

ho - ly in each hu - man face.
 long - ing from the deep - est spring.
 con - flict when we choose our way.
 ho - ly cours - ing through our life.

This hymn was written for the 1992 installation of Linda Clark as Houghton Scholar of Sacred Music at Boston University, where Ruth Duck earned her Th.D. degree. It evokes the artist

Tune: HOUGHTON 11.11.11.
Carlton R. Young, 1992

You Are Salt for the Earth, O People

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Paraphr. by Marty Haugen, 1986; alt.

Matt. 5:13-15

Unison

D (allow to ring off)

1 You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: salt for the reign of God!
 2 You are a light on the hill, O peo-ple: light for the Cit-y of God!
 3 You are a seed of the Word, O peo-ple: bring forth the reign of God!
 4 We are a blessed and a pil-grim peo-ple: bound for the reign of God!

Share the fla-vor of life, O peo-ple: life in the Cit-y of God!
 Shine so ho-ly and bright, O peo-ple: shine for the Cit-y of God!
 Seeds of mer-cy and seeds of jus-tice, grow in the Cit-y of God!
 Love our jour-ney and love our home-land: love is the Cit-y of God!

Refrain

Bring forth the reign of mer-cy, bring forth the reign of peace;

Bring forth the reign of jus-tice, bring forth the Cit-y of God!

During a residency at Holden Village, a retreat center in the state of Washington, Marty Haugen wrote this hymn to be used as a "processing song" for outdoor worship. The lectionary readings focusing on Jesus' teaching about the "reign of God" provided the basis for the text.

Tune: BRING FORTH Irr. with refrain
 Marty Haugen, 1986

Refrain (Unison)

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to -

geth - er! All who fol - low Je - sus,

all a-round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er!

1. The church is not a build-ing, the church is not a stee-ple,
2. We're man-y kinds of peo-ple, with man - y kinds of fac - es,
3. Some-times the church is march-ing, some-times it's brave-ly burn-ing,
4. And when the peo-ple gath-er, there's sing-ing and there's pray-ing,
5. At Pen-te-cost some peo-ple re - ceived the Ho-ly Spir-it

the church is not a rest-ing place, the church is a peo-ple.
all col - ors and all a - ges, too, from all times and plac - es.
some-times it's rid-ing, some-times hid-ing, al - ways it's learn-ing.
there's laugh-ing and there's cry-ing some-times, all of it say-ing:
and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it.

WORDS: Richard K. Avery and Donald S. Marsh, 1972
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77.87 with Refrain