ST. DAVID'S (SHERMAN'S) UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

February 27, 2022 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

WORDS TO PONDER

Can we feel His glory, His majesty, His holiness?

WELCOME

PRELUDE, HANDBELLS: "Celebration Tunes"

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

- **LEADER:** God reigns; let the people tremble!
- **<u>PEOPLE</u>**: God is enthroned upon the cherubim.
- **LEADER:** Let the earth shake.
- <u>PEOPLE</u>: We will extol You, O God, and worship at Your holy mountain.
- **LEADER:** For You our God are holy!
- **<u>UNISON</u>**: Let us worship God.

Song: "Shine, Jesus Shine"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Who can stand before God or dare to worship at God's holy mountain? Only those who keep God's statutes and testimonies and recognize their wrongdoing for what it is. With fear and trembling we confess our sin and seek forgiveness.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mystery of mysteries, hide not Your face from us. Hear our confession and forgive us of sin. We go to the mountains to escape our involvements. We hear Your commandments, then hide from their truth. We hide our faces to conceal our identities; Christ unmasks our pretense and strips us of pride. Help us not to be afraid to encounter Your presence, and through Christ to stand before You cleansed of our sin. Hear our personal prayers of confession.

TIME OF SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

UNISON ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The truth is this: As the heavens opened, God spoke and proclaimed that Christ was the chosen One; listen to Him. Our Savior proclaims that all who truly believe are cleansed of their sin. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

HOLY SCRIPTURES: Exodus 34:29–35, Il Corinthians 3:12–4:2, Luke 9:28–43

CHILDREN'S STORYTIME

HYMN: "Jesus, Take Us To The Mountain" #183 Black

SERMON: "Yearning for God"

PASTORAL PRAYER 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

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

- **LEADER:** God reigns, not alone in this place, but wherever we go this week.
- <u>PEOPLE</u>: There is nowhere we can go that is beyond the reach of God's care.
- **LEADER:** The holiness of God shines upon us and empowers our witness and service.

<u>UNISON</u>: We will meet God in prayer and walk with God in places of human need.

<u>CLOSING HYMN</u>: "The God of Abraham Praise" #61 Red