

# Order of Worship

Transfiguration Sunday

February 14, 2021

Liturgical color is white, receiving the transfiguration of our Lord.

*We lift up prayers for the community, our church family, staff, ministers,  
and for the work of Christ in the world.*

**Prelude** "Holy Ground" arr. D.S. Ferguson

**Call to Worship** "Seek Ye First" UMH #405  
*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!*

**Welcome** Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

\* **Opening Hymn** "To God Be the Glory" UMH #98

\* **Affirmation of Faith**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\* **The 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.**

**Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Meredith M. Dark

**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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.**

**Children's Time** Julia Brooks

\* **Hymn of Preparation** "Love Divine All Loves Excelling" UMH #384

\* **Sermon Text** I Corinthians 13:1-13 Carl Townsend **8:30**  
Jennifer Hupko **11:00**

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain, faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

**Anthem** "If Not For You" George Harrison  
Grant Nesmith, *Guitar*

**Sermon** "Love Wins" Bishop Gary Rivas

\* **Closing Hymn** "The Gift of Love" UMH #408

\* **Benediction** Bishop Rivas

**Postlude** "Love, Divine, All Love's Excelling" arr. Hans Klotz

(\* Please stand as you are able.

UMH #98

**“To God Be the Glory”**

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. **[Refrain]**

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. **[Refrain]**

UMH #384

**“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”**

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe, thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!

Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.  
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;  
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

UMH #408

**“The Gift of Love”**

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,  
and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess,  
but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole.  
Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.

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The **Flowers** that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in prayer for everyone suffering from the COVID-19 virus by Linda and Larry Gates.

**Flowers are needed for the following dates: Mar 7, 21.** To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 x207 or [jennifer@fumcmb.org](mailto:jennifer@fumcmb.org).

We welcome those visiting with us today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

Sunday Worship may be viewed Live on Facebook at 8:30AM or on the website ([www.fumcmb.org](http://www.fumcmb.org)), on our mobile app, or on FOX TV Sundays at 10AM on channel 7 (one week delay).

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**Ushers**

**Assisting in Worship**

**8:30** Harry Branton, Jerry Champion, Greg Clemmons, Ronald Eldridge, Judy Hall, Roger Hall, Jack Rebeck, Toby Ward

**11:00** Rusty Watson, Lisa Sawicki, Don Myers, Annette Willett, Ed Williett