

Leader continues . . . Great is the mystery of our faith, which we now proclaim:

**People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Leader continues . . . As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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 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.**

**THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**All: Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**THE SENDING**

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

Annual Church Meeting [Members please remain seated. Visitors may leave at this time.]

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\*An asterisk indicates that all who are able may stand.

**TO OUR VISITORS**

We welcome you to our worship. We hope that you will return to worship with us again! We have a nursery lovingly and carefully attended by church members.

**MEMBERSHIP**

We welcome into membership all who love Jesus Christ, accept him as Lord of all life, and seek to serve him as part of his body in the church. We invite you to speak to one of our elders, greeting you at the door as you leave the worship service.

**THIS WEEK AT BPC**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

The Cabarrus County LunchPlus Club for Seniors provides a Drive Thru Pickup at BPC Fellowship Hall, Monday – Friday, 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM.

**Sunday, February 14**

Transfiguration of the Lord  
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion and Annual Church Meeting  
TBD – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in BPC Fellowship Hall

**Monday, February 15**

3:30 – 7:30 PM – Blood Drive in BPC Fellowship Hall  
7:00 PM – Session Meeting

**Tuesday, February 16**

4:00 PM – Confirmation Class via Zoom

**Wednesday, February 17**

3:00 – 6:00 PM – Church Sanctuary Open for Prayer  
7:00 PM – Ash Wednesday Service in Church Sanctuary with Communion

**Sunday, February 21**

LENT I  
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:55 AM – Worship Service  
TBD – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in BPC Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, February 23**

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall  
4:00 PM – Confirmation Class via Zoom

**Sunday, February 28**

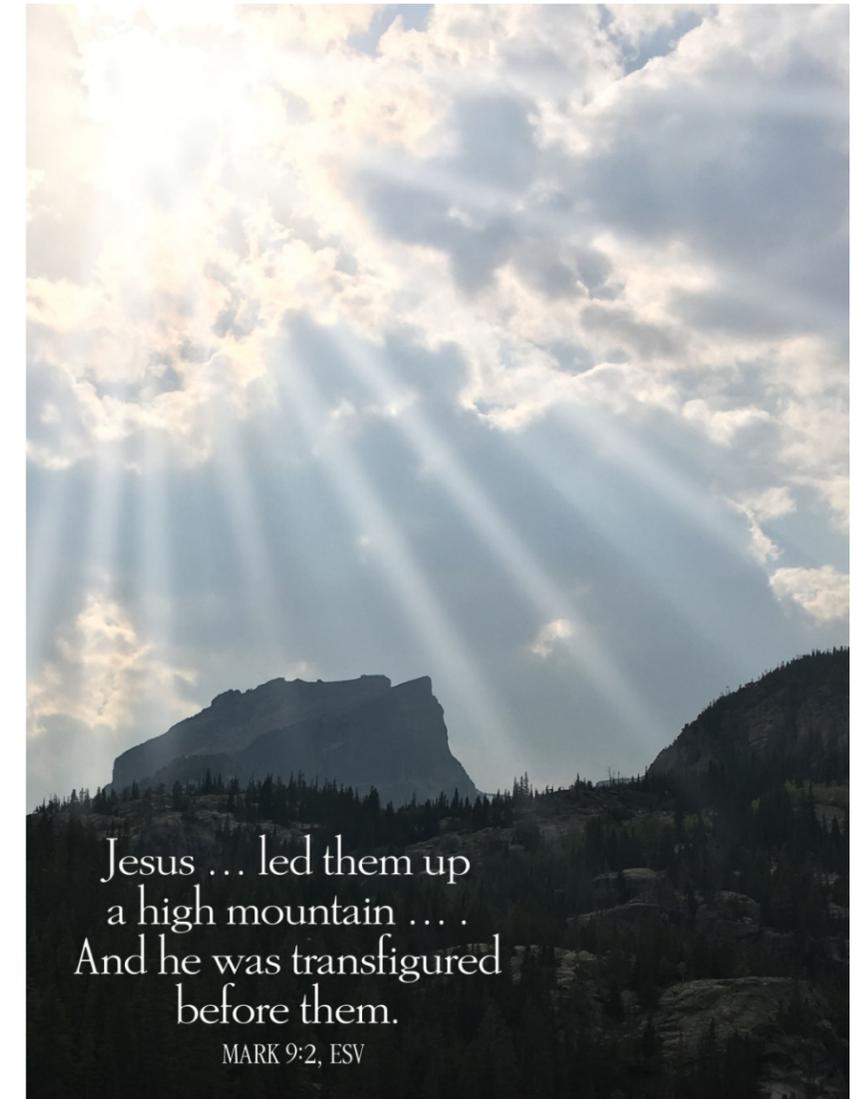
LENT II  
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:55 AM – Worship Service  
TBD – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in BPC Fellowship Hall

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	CLASS OF 2021
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**Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!  
February 14, 2021**

***“A family of faith in Jesus Christ,  
yesterday, today, and tomorrow.”***

*We are excited that you have joined us in worshipping God today. Whether you are just visiting, looking to stay or have worshipped here your whole life, it is great to worship the Lord together this day!*

**DAILY LECTIONARY**

Sunday, February 14	Monday, February 15	Tuesday, February 16	Wednesday, February 17	Thursday, February 18	Friday, February 19	Saturday, February 20
Morning: Ps. 103; 150 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 2 Cor. 3:1-9 Gospel: John 12:27-36a Evening: Ps. 117; 139	Morning: Ps. 5; 145 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Deut. 6:1-15 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Heb. 1:1-14 Gospel: John 1:1-18 Evening: Psalms 82; 29	Morning: Ps. 42; 146 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Deut. 6:16-25 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Heb. 2:1-10 Gospel: John 1:19-28 Evening: Ps. 102; 133	Morning: Ps. 5; 147:1-11 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Jonah 3:1-4:11 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Heb. 12:1-14 Gospel: Luke 18:9-14 Evening: Psalms 27; 51	Morning: Psalms 27; 147:12-20 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Deut. 7:6-11 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Titus 1:1-16 Gospel: John 1:29-34 Evening: Psalms 126; 102	Morning: Ps. 22; 148 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Deut. 7:12-16 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Titus 2:1-15 Gospel: John 1:35-42 Evening: Ps. 105; 130	Morning: Psalms 43; 149 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Deut. 7:17-26 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Titus 3:1-15 Gospel: John 1:43-51 Evening: Psalms 31; 143

# The Service for the Lord's Day Transfiguration of the Lord

February 14, 2021

9:55 A.M.

## THE GATHERING

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TRINITY CHIMES

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

(adapted from Psalm 50)

Leader: God speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**People: Our God comes and does not keep silence.**

Leader: God calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that God may bring justice to God's people.

**People: The heavens declare God's right and just relations for all the people of the earth.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, even when we see your love and justice transfigured before us, we cower in our fear of what it would mean to follow your way in the world. We wonder what it might cost us to be disciples of Jesus. Help us to listen to Jesus. Empower us to be formed by his life. Restore in us the confidence to be Jesus' disciples. Amen.**  
*(Please take a moment for silent confession.)*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: . . . Friends, believe the good news and be at peace, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

### \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*(spoken by all)*

**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.**

## THE WORD

### TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sandy Gaskey

### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (NRSV)

<sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:2-9 (NRSV)

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

"On the Mountaintop" William Watkins, CLP

### \*INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*(from The Belhar Confession)*

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe

- that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;
- that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;
- that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted;
- that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways:
  - in that we love one another;
  - that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another;
  - that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;
  - that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind.

## GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

\*Doxology *(Instrumental only)*

\*Prayer of Dedication

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Leader continues . . .* Therefore, with all your creation we sing your praise:

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**