

**Worship @ Home Guide – Feb. 14, 2021**

**Transfiguration Sunday**

**Woodstock Presbyterian Church, 142 E. Court St., Woodstock, VA 22664**

**RECONNECT**

**Gathering Music/Announcements**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship Psalm 50:1-6**

One: The mighty one, God the LORD,  
speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**All: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
God shines forth.**

Our God comes and does not keep silence,  
before him is a devouring fire,  
and a mighty tempest all around him.

**He calls to the heavens above  
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

“Gather to me my faithful ones,  
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

**The heavens declare his righteousness,  
for God himself is judge.**

**Hymn - Open my Eyes, That I May See**

<https://www.smallchurchmusic.com/2016/Video/V-OpenMyEyes-PipeLC-128-CAM-Video-JD.mp4>

**Prayers of the People**

O Lord our God, Christ has been transfigured before us on a mountaintop. You have revealed your way to us in Christ. The way of the cross and resurrection calls us to be agitators of nonviolence in our world in all that we do and say. Indeed, in the power of Christ you have enabled us to be your peace in our world. In Jesus' crucifixion, the violence of our world has been revealed as contrary to your way of peace. Transfigure us by your Spirit and shape us by your love and justice to be disciples of Christ in our weary and broken world. In your Spirit, O God, form us in the liberating power displayed in Moses, in the prophetic witness of Elijah and in the body of Christ who was raised from

the dead to bring newness of life in the church and world. Let our lives shine like the transfigured Christ so that we might be a blessing to those that struggle, a hope to the dying and a sign of your new creation. And as we continue to struggle with this pandemic and the social ills it has exposed, we pray that you would bestow courage to healthcare workers and those facilitating vaccinations. We ask a special measure of wisdom for the leadership of our country and world that they might discern the path to bring aid to the afflicted. And may we be agents of your love for those within our churches and in our communities.

We pray all these things in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray saying, Our Father...

## **READ**

### **Scripture Reading      2 Corinthians 4:3-6**

<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.

### **Scripture Reading - Mark 9:2-9**

<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 any more, 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.

## **REFLECT**

**Message                      "Shiny Jesus"**

## **RESPOND**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

*inspired by the Confession of Belhar*

**It is through Christ's reconciling work that we are the church,  
united to God and to other believers.**

**As the church, we are the salt of the earth.**

**We are the light of the world.**

**We are entrusted with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ.**

**As the church, we are witnesses by both word and deed.**

**We proclaim the new heaven and the new earth, in which righteousness dwells.**

**As the church, we proclaim that God's life-giving Word and Spirit  
has conquered sin and death.**

**God conquers irreconciliation, hatred and bitterness.**

**As the church, God's life-giving Word and Spirit  
enable us to live in a new obedience,**

**God opens new possibilities of life for society and the world.**

**We declare ourselves ready to venture out on the road of obedience and reconciliation--  
servants of the God who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people.**

### **+Gloria Patri**

### **Offering**

Call for the offering:

*God is the giver of life and the resources therein. Let us now dedicate our lives and resources to the Holy  
One in whom we live and move and have our being.*

### **Musical Reflection- "Shine, Jesus, Shine"**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3iB3ogCqAc>

Prayer of dedication:

**We give you thanks, O God,  
for the gifts we have received from your good creation.  
We now ask your blessing upon the gifts we offer today,  
so that they might be a sign of our commitment to serve you  
in all that we are and do. Amen.**

## **RETURN**

## **Charge & Benediction - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24**

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.*

*May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.*

## **Sending Hymn “They Will Know We Are Christians By our Love”**

FPC Sterling, IL <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yaUOahzW27U>

*Hymns from Glory to God.*

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