

**BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**10:30 a.m. Sunday 27 February 2022**

**Transfiguration Sunday**

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**ENTRANCE**

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Announcements *(To help us connect, please  
sign the attendance pad in your pew)*

\*Greeting\*: Let us praise the Lord who reigns!

**Let us praise the awesome name of God!**  
Let us extol the Lord our God,  
**For the Lord our God is holy.** *(Psalm 99)*

\*Praise Choruses: 2272 "Holy Ground"  
2102 "Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory"

\*Opening Prayer: 259 "Transfiguration"

\*Opening Hymn: 103 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Prayer for Illumination: 596*(Verse 1)* "Blessed Jesus,  
at Thy Word"

First Lesson: Exodus 34:29-35

Psalter: 819 Psalm 99

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

\*Hymn of Preparation: 355 "Depth of Mercy"

\*Gospel Lesson: Luke 9:28-43

Sermon: "Close to the edge"

Affirmation of Faith: 882 "The Apostles' Creed,  
Ecumenical Version"

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

\*The Peace: Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and  
love.

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**THANKSGIVING**

Invitation: 388 "O Come and Dwell in Me"

Offering/Offerory

\*Doxology: 176 "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving\*:

**Holy God,**  
**as your Spirit enabled our forebears to see your glory**  
**and then be transformed,**  
**so may the Holy Spirit fill us once more.**  
**Empower us**  
**to come down from the mountaintop**  
**to complete the work you have given us to do.**  
**We offer our gifts and ourselves,**  
**in glad thanksgiving,**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*The Lord's Prayer: 895

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**SENDING FORTH**

\*Closing Hymn: 396 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

\*Closing Prayer<sup>^</sup>: God of glory and mercy,  
before his death in shame  
your Son went to the mountain top,  
and you revealed his life in glory.  
Where prophets witnessed to him,  
you proclaimed him your Son,  
but he returned to die among us.  
**Help us face evil with courage,  
knowing all things, even death,  
are subject to your transforming power.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

*(James F. White, U.S.A., 20th Cent.)*

\*Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude/Going Forth

\*Indicates the people standing, if able and willing

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