



*An Open & Affirming Congregation of  
the United Church of Christ*

11 February 2024 – 10:30 AM  
TRANSFIGURATION

**\*indicates the congregation is invited to stand.  
Please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.**

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PRELUDE *You Must Believe in Spring* Michael Legrand  
Jazz on High: Art Alm, piano & vocals; Zach Olsen, drums; Bill Bosch, bass

WELCOME The Rev. David Pattee, pastor

\*GATHERING SONG #742 1) in unison 2) repeated as a round

**Gathered here in the mystery of this hour,  
Gathered here in one strong body,  
Gathered here in the struggle and the power,  
Spirit draw near.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Mira Haslam, liturgist

One: The light of God is shining with love.  
**All: Rise in our hearts, Bright Morning Star.**  
One: God calls to us now, saying, "Be not afraid."  
**All: Give peace in our loves, O Promised One.**  
One: Come to the mountain and look upon God's glory.  
**All: Shine in our lives, Light of the World.**

\*HYMN 182 (hymn sheet) *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding* HYFRYDOL

\*PRAYER IN THE SPIRIT OF JESUS

**Earth-Maker, Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Source of all that is and all that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all, Loving God in whom is Heaven:  
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe.  
May your Heavenly will be done by all creatures great and small.  
And may your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need this day, feed us. For the hurt we inflict on one another, forgive us.  
Through times of temptation, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is Love.**

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

\*GREETING OF PEACE

QUESTION FOR TODAY  
Have you ever had an experience that left you speechless?  
Is it something that you can describe today?  
Where/when/how did you find the words?

SCRIPTURE

Mark 9:2-9

Mira Haslam

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, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. 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.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

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.

ANTHEM

*The Sound of Silence*

Paul Simon

SERMON

*Speechless*

Pastor Dave

RESPONSE #793

Argentinian traditional

**Santo, santo, santo, mi corazón te adora!**

**Mi corazón te sabe decir: santo eres Dios.**

**Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!  
My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, God.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

Invitation

[www.PeaceUnited.org/Giving](http://www.PeaceUnited.org/Giving)

Offertory Music

*Some Other Time*

Leonard Bernstein

\*COVENANT

**We covenant with God and with each other:**

**to walk together in all God's ways as the Holy is revealed to us;**

**to give ourselves freely and without reserve to Jesus' ministry in this church;**

**to celebrate through worship God's amazing gifts of unity and diversity;**

**to take up Christ's mission around the world, striving for justice and peace;**

**to care for the earth and all her creatures, reconciling ourselves to them in love;**

**for God gives immeasurable grace into all life and every life.**

\*HYMN 81 (hymn sheet)

*God Be with You*

GOD BE WITH YOU

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Beautiful Love*

Victor Young