

**THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**
Transfiguration Sunday / Last Epiphany C

**BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
201 KNOEDLER ROAD
PITTSBURGH, PA 15236**

Rev. Dr. Robert E. Walkup, Pastor
Mrs. Grace Shearer, Organist & Choir Director
Mr. Tom Yousko, Liturgist
Rev. Dr. James K. Smith, Sr., Pastor Emeritus

11.00 A.M.

March 3, 2019

WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST
(Please be seated in silence)

First Organ Prelude

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Antiphonal

Leader: The LORD, the Eternal God, has spoken and summons the whole earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

People: God shines forth in glory!

Leader: The same God who in the beginning said, "*Let there be light,*" revealed himself to Moses face

to face, and has shown his glory to the world in the shining face of his Son Jesus Christ.

People: *Light of love and light of life.*

Leader: For his sake we are all being changed into his likeness, from glory to glory.

People: *We are God's children now.*

Leader: O merciful God of grace, as we celebrate today the holy light that illumined and transfigured your Son, the Beloved,

People: *Illumine and inspire us to listen to him always.*

***Hymn**

#47

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

***Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah; and in the voice from the cloud you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us, with Christ, heirs of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS

***Call to Confession**

Leader

Just as Moses and the disciples of Jesus were changed by their experiences, so too are we transformed by the mercy of God, who in Christ, forgives us our sins. Let us therefore draw near to God confessing our faults to him and to one another.

***Prayer of Confession**

Unison

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we are not ready for it. You know how our days are spent between light and darkness. We thrill at the mountaintop experience yet lose our vision when we return to the plains. We doubt instead of dwelling in faith. We fear instead of dwelling in your peace. We are distracted by our own plans, speaking when we should listen, and acting when we should wait. By your grace banish our darkness that we may live in your light, and follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. For his sake, hear us as we pray saying: "Our Father.....Amen."

***Silent Prayer**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Minister

In Jesus Christ, the veil of God's glory is lifted, and for his sake we are forgiven and transformed from one degree of glory into another.

Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri** **#546**

***The Peace**

The Offertory

***Organ Response** **#552**

***The Prayer of Dedication**

***The Doxology** **#544**

***Hymn** **#442**

"Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer for Illumination

Unison

Illumine our lives, O God, with the radiance of Christ's love, and inspire us to shine in faith and witness as his holy disciples. Transform us into his likeness that we may live for you, as he lived, and love others, as he loved them. Amen.

First Reading

Pew Bible pg. 81

Exodus 34:29-35

Second Reading

Pew Bible pg. 180

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Anthem

Gospel Reading

Pew Bible pg. 69

Luke 9:28-36

Sermon

Rev. Walkup

"Pay Attention to the Man Behind the Curtain"

THE RESPONSE OF LOVE

Invitation

Minister

The Great Thanksgiving

Responsive

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

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

P: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

L: Give thanks to God, for he is good.

P: His love is everlasting.

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Petition

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal pg. 12; using "Holy Spirit"

Words of Institution

Sacrament of the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

***Hymn** **#492**

"Christ is the World's True Light"

***Charge & Blessing** **Minister**

***Response** **# 78**

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"
(Verses 1&2)

***The Recessional**

****Please Stand if Able***

**WORSHIP & COMMUNION
TEAM TODAY:**

**Jim Palmer, Darlene Degenhardt,
Diane McGreevy, Giness Mumba**

WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK: Colleen Frey, Sean Frey, Craig Frey,

ASH WEDNESDAY: Volunteer Basis

Bible Readings



- SUNDAY:** "Struggling To Forgive" Matthew 18:23-35
- MONDAY:** Kisses In Hands" Joshua 1:1-9
- TUESDAY:** "Friends?" John 15:12-17
- WEDNESDAY:** "Ash Wednesday" Acts 16:22-31
- THURSDAY:** "Look Forward" Philippians 3:10-14
- FRIDAY:** "Compassionate Friends" Psalm 18:1-6
- SATURDAY:** "Songs In The Night" Psalm 42:5-8

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Be Strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever You go. Joshua 1:9 (NIV)

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Also pray for Jay Torrance, Dorothy Williams, Charlotte Maegle, Tom Shearer, Mary Ellen Shenkle, Brenda Torrance, George Briggs, Margaret Tissue, Myrna Trautvetter, Cheryl Harriett. Pam Speicher, Marty Kanslep, Al Bilec, George Drescher, Fr. Jerome Vereb and Eloise Berglund.

H O L Y



COMMUNION

Today is Holy Communion Sunday. If you are receiving Holy Communion, please complete the registration card on the back of the bulletin and place on the offering plate. Thank you.



Lent Begins Ash Wednesday

Lent begins Wednesday, March 6th "Ash Wednesday." There will be an **Ash Wednesday Communion Service at 7:30 PM.**



The last **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon** for the year will be today. Stop down at **Fellowship Hall** for some hot soup and sandwich. Hope to see you there!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: The **Deacons** will host a **Lenten Chicken Dinner on Wednesday, March 13 at 5:30 PM.** The price for the dinner will be **\$8.00.** if you plan to attend, complete the form and place on the **offering plate**, or return to the office by **March 10th.**

The **Lenten Devotional Series** will begin following the dinner. The **Lenten Devotional Series** will be "**Forgiveness.**"



We have hired a **janitorial service** to replace **Scott Moses.** A man and woman will be cleaning the church on **Saturday's**, starting at **9:00 PM** approximately for **3 hours.** Their starting date is **February 23rd.**



The **2019 Church Directory** is ready for pick-up. Copies are on the **hall table**.



Out of Town

PLEASE NOTE: Margie will be out of town from **March 4th** until **March 13th**. She will be back in office **March 14th**. Leave a message on the answering machine and someone will call you back.

Jean Lindberg or Diane McGreevy will be in **Tuesday or Wednesday from 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon**.



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 10th. Before you go to bed **Saturday, set your clocks one hour ahead.**