



Second Congregational UCC/First Presbyterian Church PC(USA)
Energizing downtown Rockford and beyond with God's grace

Transfiguration Sunday
Order of Worship

February 11, 2024
10:00 am

**= please rise, whether in body or in spirit*

Thank you for being vaccinated. Wearing masks is strongly recommended.

PRELUDE

“Adoration”

F. Price

WELCOME

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

***CALL TO WORSHIP♦**

Eleanor Babel

Call to Worship

Leader: God touches the world,

All: and the world changes.

Leader: God touches us,

All: and we are transformed.

Leader: In the brightest of day,

All: in the deepest of night,

Leader: on mountain,

All: in valley,

Leader: everywhere.

All: In this time, together, we invite God to open our eyes to the transformation of our lives. And through the change – we worship God. Alleluia!

***HYMN # 409**

“God is Here!”

Abbot's Leigh

CALL TO TRANSFORM♦♦

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

Jim Ozee

Forgive us, God, when we linger too long by the waters, and on the mountain tops, enthralled with the glory that flows from you. When we fail to listen to your voice leading and guiding us, shake us from our contentment and send us forward endowed with your power.

One Minute of silent reflection

WORDS OF GRACE

***THE PEACE**

Leader: Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

***GLORIA PATRI**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Darlene Riddle

EARLY WORD

Aubrey Barnett

ANTHEM

“I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”

Trad./arr. J. Raney

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9: 2-9

Cal Culpepper

Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Mountain Climber, Valley Dweller”

Cal Culpepper

***HYMN # 377**

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

K. Thomerson

PASTORAL PRAYER

Darlene Riddle

LORD’S PRAYER

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

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Darlene Riddle

There are many ways to give of yourself to the church: The obvious, money. You can mail in your offering or click the orange DONATE button top right at secondfirst.org. Text to give is live! Text Give \$__ to 815-335-9911 and follow the instructions. Please send your prayer requests to Pastor Becky: becky.erbe@secondfirst.org.

SONG OF OFFERING

“Trumpet Tune”

W. Boyce/arr. S. Drummond Wolff

***DOXOLOGY #606**

***PRAYER FOR DEDICATION**

Darlene Riddle

***HYMN #354**

“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

J.W. Howe

***BENEDICTION**

Cal Culpepper

POSTLUDE

“Spiritual Boogie”

G. Martin

please remain seated for the postlude

◆ written by Richard Bott, and posted on Sharing Liturgy. <http://liturgy.richardbott.com/>

◆◆ from Witness to Wonders: Service Prayers for Transfiguration Sunday, written by the Rev. Madison Shockley, pastor of Pilgrim United Church of Christ in Carlsbad, CA.

Valerie Blair, organist, pianist
Karen Hill, Greg Makulec, head usher
Steve Muntz, Wes Hegge sound, video
Katy Paterson, van driver

Prayer Requests

- Continue prayers Randy Beeman (Holly Beeman's brother), Brian and Patty Breuhaus and family (Lenore Lund and John DeWaters Son), Hayden Hallberg, Lenore Lund, Jayne Pheiffer, Sharon Ockerlander, Bethany Stiltner, Linda Miller, Kathy Moton, Ann Stites, Katy Paterson, Peter Joachim, Sally Baker, Stephanie Cooper, Beckett Krieg, Philip and Shirley Davidson.
- And we pray for all those at home and in long-term care facilities, who may not be in worship regularly, but who remain part of our family of faith: Betty Klingensmith, Shirley Anderson, Jeanne Page, Marsha Martin, Billye Vernam, Nancy Gallegos, Willene Ziebell, Jan Elliott, Wally Gayle, Charles Rosche, Carol Eggleston, and Ruby Beckman.

Mardi Gras/Valentine's Day Coffee Hour today! Come down to the Dining Room after church this Sunday, February 11th for a special treat.

Ash Wednesday Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. Join us Wednesday, February 14 for our Ash Wednesday service and Imposition of Ashes. Our Choir will be singing, there will be prayers and meditations and of course ashes. Worship begins at 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Lenten Worship Experience is from Wednesday, February 21 through Wednesday, March 20. We invite all to our Lenten Worship Experience. The evening starts with a Soup Supper at 5:30pm. in our Dining Room. The service will be in the Sanctuary beginning at 6:45pm and ending at 7:30pm. There will be music, prayer and meditation.

Calling all folks with bright smiles and friendly greetings. We would like to re-institute the practice of having greeters in the narthex before our Sunday Worship service. It would require arriving 20 to 30 minutes early and greet those arriving to welcome them to our worship. Please contact Jim Burrigh (815-218-9131 or jnlburr@comcast.net) or the church office if you are interested."

Mission Ministry field trip to Rock River Valley Food Pantry has been rescheduled to Friday, February 23 at 11:00 a.m. Come see how a small group of people distribute food to 100 people a day! Interested, please contact Karen Hill, call/text 815-742-0873.

Overnight Café guests numbers have been very high this year resulting in shortages of coffee, creamer, sugar and individual packets of hot chocolate. Please consider donating any/all of these items. Thank you all who have prepared a meal or donated ingredients for a meal.

Calendar at a Glance February 11, 2024 – February 18, 2024

<p>Sunday, February 11 Cal Culpepper 8:30 AM – Adult Ed 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store 11:15 AM – Brownies & Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>Monday, February 12 11:30 AM – Serious Soup 5:00 PM – Deacons/Fellowship Zoom</p> <p>Tuesday, February 13 7:00 AM – Men’s Prayer Breakfast 9:00 AM – Thrift Shop 12:00 PM – Bible Study 4:30 PM – Adult Ed Zoom</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday, February 14 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting 5:30 PM – Soup Supper 5:30 PM – Martins 6:15 PM – Choir Rehearsal 6:45 PM – Lenten Worship Experience</p> <p>Thursday, February 15 9:30 AM – Carillons 6:00 PM – Bellcantos 7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>Friday, February 16 No Scheduled Activities</p> <p>Saturday, February 17 No Scheduled Activities</p> <p>Sunday, February 18 Choir 8:30 AM – Adult Ed 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store</p>
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