

February 11, 2024

10:00 AM

Transfiguration Sunday

United Christian Church of Austin

-- GATHERING --

PRELUDE

Nick Jimenez, *Primary Accompanist*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(See page 12 for printed announcements)

Pastor Janet Maykus
Interim Senior Minister

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Walt Case, *Liturgist*

One: How wonderful it is to sing our praises to God!

All: Praise the One who gathers us together.

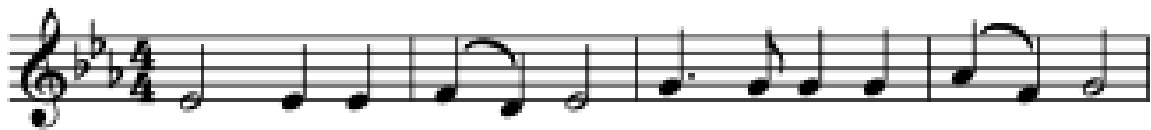
One: God's mercy is given generously to all in need.

All: We are never out of the reach of God's love.

One: Come, worship and celebrate. God is reaching out to you this day!

All: Praise be to God who continually heals and forgives us. AMEN.

Fairest Lord Jesus



1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, rul - er of all na - ture,
 2. Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands,
 3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light,
 4. Beau - ti - ful Sa - vior! Lord of all the na - tions!



O thou of God and— man the Son,
 robed in the bloom - ing— garb of spring:
 and all the twin - kling— star - ry host:
 Son of— God and— Son of Man!



Thee will I che - rish, Thee will I
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is
 Je - sus shines brigh - ter, Je - sus shines
 Glo - ry and ho - nor, praise, a - do -



ho - nor, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 pu - rer who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 pu - rer than all the an - gels heaven can boast.
 ra - tion, now and for - e - ver - more be thine.

Hymnary.org

CALL TO CONFESSION

Walt Case, *Liturgist*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us approach God with confidence, trusting in God's grace as we humbly confess our sins.

All: Gracious God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You know our sins even before we confess. Your knowledge is wonderful, but also challenging. We'd much rather avoid painful truths and deny our role in wrongdoing. Help us face our failings so we can move forward in truth. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Pastor Janet Maykus

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The people are invited to share a sign of God's peace with one another such as a greeting, handshake, etc.

One: Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

* Asterisk signifies the people are invited to rise in body or Spirit.

Bolded text indicates spoken or sung by the congregation.

-- THE WORD --

OUTREACH COLLECTION

“We Are the Church”

NATURE & FOUNDATION

550 We Are the Church

Refrain (Unison)



I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to -
geth - er! All who fol - low Je - sus,
all a - round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er!

1 The church is not a build - ing, the church is not a stee - ple,
2 We're man - y kinds of peo - ple, with man - y kinds of fac - es,
3 Some - times the church is march - ing, some - times it's brave - ly burn - ing,
4 And when the peo - ple gath - er, there's sing - ing and there's pray - ing,
5 At Pen - te - cost some peo - ple re - ceived the Ho - ly Spir - it

to Refrain
the church is not a rest - ing place, the church is a peo - ple.
all col - ors and all a - ges, too, from all times and plac - es.
some - times it's rid - ing, some - times hid - ing, al - ways it's learn - ing.
there's laugh - ing and there's cry - ing some - times, all of it say - ing:
and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it.

WORDS and MUSIC: Richard K. Avery (1934-) and Donald S. Marsh (1923-)
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TIME FOR CHILDREN

Emily Jamison Guerrero
Director of Children's Ministries

All children are invited to come forward to take a blue basket to collect outreach offerings. You may donate money or items for our little free pantry.

After our Outreach Collection, children and the young-at-heart are invited to sit on the chancel steps or floor in front of the steps.

Following the prayer, children are invited to the Children's Wing for the remainder of worship, or may return to sit with their families.

CHILDREN'S SENDING SONG

"Shalom Chaverim"

Shalom chaverim! Shalom chaverot!

Shalom, shalom!

Le-hit-ra-ot, le-hit-ra-ot,

Shalom, shalom!

Translation from Hebrew:

**Shalom, my friends, shalom, my friends,
shalom, shalom.**

**Farewell, my friends, farewell, my friends,
shalom, shalom.**

Words: Traditional Hebrew blessing; tr. Roger N. Deschner, 1982. Tr. © 1982, The United Methodist Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

Music: Israeli melody. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:2-9 (NRSVUE)

Walt Case, *Liturgist*

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.

One: This is the Word of God for all the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Authority of Love”

Pastor Janet Maykus

HYMN OF RESPONSE

“O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair”

NCH #184, vv 1, 3, 4, 5

O wondrous sight, O vision fair
of glory that the church shall share,
which Christ upon the mountain shows,
where brighter than the sun, Christ glows!

The law and prophets there have place,
two chosen witnesses of grace;
The voice of God out from the cloud
proclaims the Human One aloud!

With shining face and bright array,
Christ deigns to manifest today
What glory shall be theirs beyond,
who live within God’s loving bond.

And faithful hearts are raised on high
by this great vision's mystery,
for which in joyful strains we raise
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

Text: Latin, “Sarum Breviary,” 1495, Transl. John Mason Neale, 185

Tune: DEO GRACIAS, “The Agincourt Song,” England, c. 1415

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-- PRAYER TIME --

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Janet Maykus

As petitions conclude, each will end with:

One: O Lord,

All: **hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father/Creator who is in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom/kin-dom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom/kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

-- OFFERTORY --

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERTORY

*We invite you to partner with us in mission and ministries.
Offertory plates will be passed around the Sanctuary at this time.
Alternatively, you may give online at uccaustin.org/give
or scan the QR codes in the pew to be connected to giving websites.
It is through your generosity that this exceptional community
of friendship, faith and service is possible.*

*DOXOLOGY

“Old Hundredth”
(tune: NCH #7)

-- HOLY COMMUNION --

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Pastor Janet Maykus

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

TABLE BLESSING

Claire Shoop, *Deacon*

CALL TO THE TABLE

Pastor Janet Maykus

*All are now invited to come forward down the center aisle for communion.
You may open your hands for a piece of bread from the common loaf.*

*The deacons hold split chalices that have both **RED** wine
and **WHITE** grape juice in them.
Please use what is right for you.*

*Alternatively, single-serve communion kits with gluten-free wafers and juice are
available in the tray that I will be holding, if that works best for you.*

Please return to your seats by the side aisles.

A deacon will come around to serve any who remain seated.

You may also use the time to light a candle of prayer.

Come now, for the table is ready.

COMMUNION MUSIC

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor Janet Maykus

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-- WE GO OUT TO SERVE --

*SENDING HYMN

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

THE GOSPEL IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

CHRISTIAN LIFE, DISCIPLESHIP

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1. I want to walk as a child of the light.
2. I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3. I want to love, as Christ has loved me.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to love like Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right-eous-ness shine on my path And
Shar - ing his love and com - pass - ion with all.

star of my life is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther.
Shine through my heart, Lord Je - sus.

In Him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Ephesians 5:8-10, Revelation 21:23, John 12:46, 1 John 1:5, Hebrews 12:1; Kathleen Thorneson, b.1934
Tune: HOUSTON, 107 10/8 with refrain; Kathleen Thorneson, b.1934
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*BENEDICTION/SENDING

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One: As our Sunday worship ends,

ALL: Let our service begin!

POSTLUDE

Nick Jimenez

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-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

Children and Youth Ministry Volunteer Training - TODAY, Sunday, February 11, 11:30am - 1 pm. Lunch provided. Order form at <https://forms.gle/68FUwqsByN3H5gi57>. Contact Emily Jamison Guerrero emily@uccaustin.org with any questions.

Bell and Chime Choir's next rehearsal will be **TODAY, Sunday, February 11, 11:40am - 12:30pm**. Rehearsals will continue every other Sunday. Contact Melissa Vasquez (melissabee85@gmail.com) or Walt Case for more information.

Second Sunday Social at Aviator Pizza 🍕 on Parmer - **TODAY, Sunday, February 11, after worship.**

TODAY, February 11th - NO YOUTH GROUP - Super Bowl Sunday (YEAH SPORTSBALL!)

⊕ LENTEN WEDNESDAY SERVICES ⊕

Please join us during the upcoming Lenten season!

★ **Ash Wednesday, February 14, 6pm** - A soup and salad potluck meal together, followed by a short service of reflection and imposition of ashes with Rev. Janet at **7pm**. Please bring a soup or salad of choice to share. There will not be childcare, but children are always welcome.

★ Throughout Lent, beginning **Wednesday, February 21, 6:30pm-7:30pm** - Rev. Janet will be leading a weekly discussion group every Wednesday evening. A simple supper of beans and cornbread will be provided. A vegan option will also be available. There will not be childcare, but children are always welcome. The last discussion will be on March 27.