

Welcome to Worship!

Transfiguration Sunday

March 3, 2019



*Here at the First United Methodist Church of Baraboo, we make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world in a unique way. We use the following process: come as you are...be inspired...explore faith...connect with God...join together...help others. Today we explore what it means to **“Connect with God.”***

“Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white.” (Luke 9:28-29)

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Helping People 'Say Yes' to God

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*Welcome to worship at First UMC Baraboo. Our mission is 'Helping people 'Say Yes' to God. "Do no harm, do all the good you can and stay in love with God" are the three simple rules we seek to live by. As you wait for worship to begin, please sign the pew pad register. **If you have a joy or concern today, fill out one of the cards provided and place it in the offering plate when it is passed.** If you are a first time guest, please fill out a visitor card found in the pew racks. Children are always welcome in worship; 'busy bags' are available just outside the door to fellowship hall. Our staffed nursery is available for children infants thru age five.*

Prelude

Bruce Rasmussen, Worship Musician

Ringing of the Bell & Welcome

†Welcoming Statement

First United Methodist Church, Baraboo

First United Methodist Church of Baraboo, WI welcomes all to share in the life, leadership, fellowship, worship, responsibilities, blessings and joys of our congregation as we seek to grow in faith, do all the good we can, and help others say YES! to God.

As a Reconciling Congregation we affirm that each person is of sacred worth and created in God's image.

We embrace the diversity of human nature, and celebrate the inherent uniqueness, potential and contributions of all persons, regardless of age, race, national origin, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, family structure, economic status, and physical or mental ability.

All are welcome, supported and included here. Many voices, many hands, and shared wisdom from varied perspectives and life experiences make us stronger and richer in thought, creativity, understanding and growth.

We recognize that we hold a variety of opinions. We do not seek to erase our differences but to journey together in faith toward greater understanding and mutual respect.

†Hymn

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

The Faith We Sing #2173 - Refrain, Verse 1, Refrain

†Sharing the Peace of Christ - *Please introduce yourself to the people around you and then say, "The peace of Christ be with you."*

Children's Message

Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, we confess we reject those with different politics, languages, lifestyles, or appearance. We can become afraid. People of sacred worth have, at times, become "the other." Forgive us, Redeeming God.

O God, we confess at times we reject parts of who we are. We have hated our frail bodies. We have failed to accept our sexuality as a good gift from you. We have violated the spirit of the Sabbath, neglecting weekly worship. We don't take time to play. Forgive us, Holy God.

Bring us down to earth. That's where Jesus chose to be. Keep us humble. Keep us faithful. Transfigure us today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Special Music "Song of Transfiguration" (Sylvia Dunstan)
Men's Ensemble

Readings Exodus 34:29-35
Luke 9:28-43

Response to the Word "Gloria"
The U.M. Hymnal #72

†Hymn "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"
The Faith We Sing #2103

Sermon Connect with God

Offering "Seekers of Your Heart" (Melody & Dick Tunney)
Men's Ensemble

†Offering Response "More Precious than Silver"
The Faith We Sing #2065

†Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Lord, use these gifts, and use us, for your glory. Amen.

Celebration of Holy Communion

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

... And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

...Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer (The Message Translation)

Our Father in heaven, Reveal who you are. Set the world right; Do what’s best—as above, so below. Keep us alive with three square meals. Keep us forgiven with you and forgiving others. Keep us safe from ourselves and the Devil. You’re in charge! You can do anything you want! You’re ablaze in beauty! Yes. Yes. Yes.

All are welcome to receive Communion; you do not need to be a member of this church or a member of the United Methodist Church. This is the Lord’s Table; he is the host and we are all his guests. At the direction of the ushers you will be invited to come forward, and you will be given a piece of bread and offered a small cup of juice. After receiving, you may choose to remain in prayer at the altar rail or return immediately to your seat. Gluten free communion wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to be served in the pews, please alert one of the ushers.

Closing Prayer

Announcements

†Hymn

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” -
The U.M. Hymnal #206 – Verses 1 & 2

†Benediction

†Postlude

† = *Please rise if you are able*

SERVING YOU TODAY...

PastorMarianne Cotter
Church OpenerAlice Schellenberger
Greeter(s)Rajeane Bender
Ushers Chris Kuter & Tim O’Keefe
A/V Powerpoint & Booth Mike Hanson & Alice Schellenberger
Choir Director Charlene Flygt
Worship Musician Bruce Rasmussen

Thank you to the Men’s Choir for providing special music today!