

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 7th, 2016

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* arr. Whitsett

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT *Come To The Table*

+CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 99

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

One: The Lord is great in Zion! He is exalted over all the peoples!

All: **We will praise the great and awesome name of the Lord! Holy is the Lord God Almighty!**

One: Let us extol the Lord our God; let us worship at his footstool for he is holy!

All: **Let us extol the Lord our God and worship at his holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy!**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *Come Thou Almighty King* #139, vv. 1-3

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Father, if someone gave us the money that is going to be spent on Super Bowl commercials this afternoon it would drastically change our lives. Yet we have been given an even greater gift than this and we act like nothing has happened. We do not live lives of gratitude in thankfulness for your precious gift of grace. Even when we try to do the right thing in response, we often get so caught up in how we are serving that we lose sight of who we are serving. Forgive us, Lord. Send us your Spirit to help us live lives of gratitude in service to you and to those in need, so the world may know just how much you have given us. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE *Come Thou Almighty King* #139, v. 4

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Afterward, children ages 5 thru 3rd grade may go to Worship Our Way (W.O.W.) while children in 4th grade and older are invited to worship with their families.

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *I Love to Tell the Story* arr. Raney

+Response *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* #592

+Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Jeremiah 1:4-10 p. 657 OT

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 28:1-10 p. 29 NT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

+Preparatory Hymn *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* #514

Great Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer (Hymnbook p. 16)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

They are lifted up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+Communion of the People *In Communion* Schram

Prayer After Communion

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from The Heidelberg Catechism

Just as Christ has redeemed us with his blood, he also renews us through his Holy Spirit according to his own image, so that with our whole life we may show ourselves grateful to God for his goodness and that he may be glorified through us. And further, we ourselves may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and by our behavior may win our neighbors to Christ.

+SENDING HYMN *We Are Called to Be God's People* HYFRODOL

We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives his grace

One in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race

Let us show how he has changed us and remade us as his own

Let us share our life together as we shall around his throne

We are called to be God's prophets, speaking for the truth and right

Standing firm for Godly justice, bringing evil things to light

Let us seek the courage needed, our high calling to fulfill

That the world may know the blessing of the doing of God's will

We are called to be God's servants, working in his world today

Taking his own task upon us, all his sacred words obey

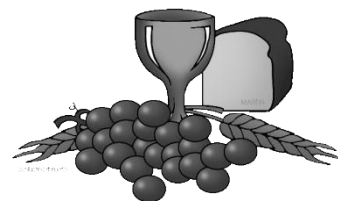
Let us rise, then, to his summons, dedicate to him our all

That we may be faithful servants, quick to answer now his call

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *When This Song Shall Cease*

+POSTLUDE *We've a Story To Tell All the Nations* Nichol

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND



Communion: We welcome all who follow Jesus, regardless of denomination, to the Lord's Table this morning, including children. Parents who wish to go get their children from the Nursery or from W.O.W. to celebrate communion as a family may do so during the singing of the Communion preparation hymn.

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION
Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie

THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Youth Group
- the acolytes are Jamie Lee and Wiley Leidig
- the bell ringer is Milo Leidig
- the Big W.O.W. leaders are Robin & Corie Cozart
- the Little W.O.W. leaders are Jane Leidig and Amanda Godfrey
- the nursery volunteer is Rachel Bales
- the sound board tech is Gloria Wadle

COMMUNION WILL BE RECEIVED IN THE PEWS this morning. As the bread comes to you please take a wafer and pass the plate to the person beside you while saying, "This is the body of Christ broken for you." When the juice comes please take a cup and pass the tray to the person beside you while saying, "This is the blood of Christ shed for you." **DO NOT PARTAKE OF THE JUICE** until all have been served; we will partake of the cup in unison as a symbol of our unity in Christ.

OUR SERMON SERIES on *Reformed Worship* concludes today with an examination of our response to God's Word proclaimed. Next week we will begin our Lenten sermon series entitled *We Believe*, an examination of some of our most basic beliefs as Christians as expressed in the articles of The Apostles' Creed.

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS:

Feb 7	Jer 1 / Matt 28 / 1 Cor 6	<i>Reformed Worship : Responding</i>
Feb 14	Gen 1:1-5 / Heb 11:1-3	<i>We Believe: God the Father</i>
Feb 21	Is. 43:1-7 / John 1:1-14	<i>We Believe: Jesus Christ</i>
Feb 28	Gen 1:1-5 / John 20:19-23	<i>We Believe: The Holy Ghost</i>

ASH WEDNESDAY: The season of Lent begins THIS Wednesday, February 10th. We will have an Ash Wednesday Service of Imposition of Ashes at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please come and celebrate with your faith family the beginning of this season of reflection and introspection.

NOONTIME LENTEN PRAYER SERVICES: Once again this year the downtown churches will be sponsoring Noontime Lenten Prayer Services on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon during Lent. Each will be followed by a free luncheon at 12:30 at the sponsoring church. These services will begin on Wednesday, February 10th and continue through the week of March 13th. A schedule of which congregations are hosting and when is on the table in the Narthex and listed below. This is a great opportunity to join hands with Christians of other denominations and show our commitment to the Lord and to one another.

Date	Location/Host	Homilist
Feb 10	Christ the King	Robert Countiss (AUMC)
Feb 17	St. John Lutheran	Parke Deans (Abingdon Baptist)
Feb 24	Sinking Spring Pres.	Kathy Dunagan (St. Thomas)
Mar 2	St. Thomas Episc.	Father Francis Musolooza (Christ the King)
Mar 9	Abingdon UMC	Scott Homesley (St. John)
Mar 16	Abingdon Baptist	Tim Reynolds (Sinking Spring)

SERVICE AND OUTREACH
Elders: Mimi Hull & Alice Rainey

THE ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON is today. Following worship our students will be hosting a soup & sandwich luncheon in the Fellowship Hall to raise money for the alleviation of hunger here in Washington County. All proceeds go to Faith in Action. If you can't make it for lunch some of our young people will be outside the sanctuary following worship holding soup pots. We invite you to drop a dollar or two into the pot as a donation.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - The new construction manager, Chris Justice, requests volunteers for new repair projects that are in the works over the next several weeks. Painting, flooring, trimming, finishing electric and plumbing opportunities may be available for new construction as well. Week days, weekends and times that fit your schedule and skills are open. If you are interested in helping complete these needed and valuable local projects, please contact Chris at 276.258.5469.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHP
Elders: Kate Shockley & Stanley Haynes

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: There will be no Bible study this week due to the Ash Wednesday worship service in the sanctuary. On February 17th we will begin our Lenten study *Biblical Archaeology in Israel: What Are We Finding?* led by Dr. Donald Hudson, chair of the Philosophy and Religion department at King University. Dr. Hudson travels to Israel twice a year to take students on archaeological digs and will be bringing pictures and artifacts to share with us as he explains their significance for understanding ancient Israel and the Scriptures. If you don't normally come on Wednesday nights, this is the perfect opportunity to start!

THE CHILDREN NEED YOU – Big and Little W.O.W. and the Nursery children are looking for caring adults with a love for the Lord and lap big enough to sit on. If you fit the bill contact Janet McGraw or Kate Shockley. You will receive a detailed lesson and support.

SINKING SPRING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOW HAS AN APP! Our own Alex Gibson has designed an app for listening to sermons on the go. No need to go to the website anymore, just go to the app to stream the sermons from our server. Or you can download them and listen on the go at the gym, in the car, on the Creeper Trail, or wherever you may be. It's only available on Apple devices at this time, so if you have an iPhone, iPad, iPod, or other compatible Apple device, go to the app store and search for "Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church." Tell your friends!

WINTER WEATHER POLICY:

Sunday Worship: Worship is not cancelled due to weather. Please use your own discretion in deciding whether or not to come. Please stay home if you don't feel you can make it safely.

Sunday School: The teachers of each class will determine whether or not to meet. Teachers will call class members *only* if class is cancelled.

Wednesday After School Programs, Bible Study and Preschool: These activities follow the Washington County School schedule. If Washington County Schools are closed or dismissed early, then these activities will be cancelled.

All Other Activities: These will be determined on a case by case basis. The church office will be closed only in the event of *extreme* weather.

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY, Sunday, February 7th Communion

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON

Tuesday, February 9th

8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall
8:00 p.m. Al Anon next to Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 10th

12:00 p.m. Lenten Prayer Service – Christ the King Catholic Church
3:00 p.m. After School
5:00 p.m. Children's Choir
6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service
6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m. Choir

Thursday, February 11th

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Shoney's
8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, February 13th

6:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 14th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard

Stewardship & Attendance for Jan 31, 2016

Attendance: 176
Offering – Week of Jan 31: \$5,903

THE HUNGER OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED TODAY

CHURCH BULLETINS are available on our website! The link to view is <http://www.sinkingspring.org/worship.html#ws>.

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Mazie Cook, Helen Napps, and Reed Cooke (Commonwealth Assisted Living), Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab), Don Preston and Claude Greever (English Meadows)

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS: Paul Oliver

WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS: Charles Henninger, Richie Hooker, Ernie & Mary Barr, Walter Holcomb, Blue Gotham, Sara Gilley, Carol Yates and family

AND FOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY: Joseph McGraw, Mark Widener, Walter Holcomb Jr., John Nowell II, John Nowell III, Dexter Bevis and Miles Ratliff

*Names remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer

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