Joys and Concerns

Happy Birthday to Jeff Hanson, James Wilkinson,
 Merlin Beahm, Clark Bauer, and Ed Rowse.
 Happy Anniversary to Bill & Kathy Hunter—54 years.
 Prayer List: Fred Will, Merlin Beahm and Kent Verbeck.

Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer

Offertory Music

"Doxology "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Offertory Prayer

Luminous Giver of all good things, in your presence, everything is gift. Bless these gifts of bread and wine, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, that they may nourish us for the work of healing your creation, in the name of Christ, our light and the light of the world. Amen.

Closing Song "A Mighty Fortress" #31

Benediction

When Jesus' glory is revealed to us, we become transformed. We are not who we were before. Go now to your homes, your neighborhoods, your schools, and places of work as new people. Go as Christians illumined by the glory of God in Christ. Be renewed and be radiant.

Sending Forth



United Methodist Church Minden, Nebraska 10:00 a.m. February 19, 2023 Transfiguration Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

- 1. Please join us at 7:00 pm, February 22, in the sanctuary for our Ash Wednesday Service that will include the imposition of ashes.
- 2. The Lenten season begins on February 22. During the Lenten season, we offer an exceptional opportunity to participate in the ministry of daily devotion. You choose one of the 40 days and you read the scripture and prayer in the Upper Room. Pastor Peter can record the video or you can record yourself and send it to peterchoiminden@gmail.com. Then he will post the video on Facebook and YouTube at 7:00 am daily.
- 3. Minden Inter-Church Ministry will host lunches at 11:45 am on Wednesdays during the Lenten season, beginning February 22. This year all lunches will be held at the Westminster United Presbyterian Church. Our church will serve lunch on March 1. Please support Minden Inter-Church Ministry.
- 4. The Bible study, *Threading the Bible: New Testament*, will be at 10:00 am and 5:00 pm this Thursday. If you want to take the class, please come to the library at either time.
- 5. We need four male mentors and two female mentors for the confirmation students. They will meet with students 3-4 times during the 12 weeks. If you are interested in being a mentor, please contact the pastor.
- 6. We are looking for Bell Choir members. Bell Choir practice is at 7:00 pm Wednesday.
- 7. Sheets for the volunteers of Scripture Reading, Usher and Greeter, Refreshment, and Daily Devotion are in the back. If you want to serve our church and ministry, please write your name on the sheet in the back.
- 8. Join us for refreshment following worship.
- 9. Last week we received offerings of \$1,962. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

Call to Worship

L: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

P: we are called to be God's people.

L: As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him

to the peak of another mountain,

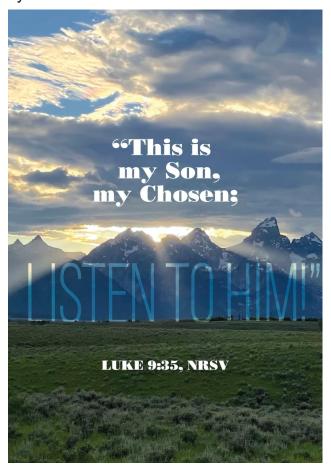
P: we are called to follow wherever he leads.

L: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,

P: we are called to worship in wonder and praise.

Opening Prayer

Holy One, Light of light, God of all creation, long ago you showed yourself to the disciples in Jesus' transfiguration— his face glowing like a field of daffodils on a bright, spring morning. Shine in us, around us, and through us, that the world may see your glory in the faces of your people— faces transfigured in the light of your love. Amen.



Silent Prayer of Confession

Opening Songs "Everlasting God" #9

"Your Grace is Enough" #26

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Apostle Creed (Ecumenical Version)

UMH#882

Scriptures Matthew 17:1-9 (NIV)

Jessie Tunnell

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God.

Message
"How Long Should We Stay?"
Pastor Peter Choi