

Transfiguration Sunday

February 26, 2017

Transfigured by the Transformation

Prelude

***Congregation please stand if able**

*** The Call to Worship** *Psalm 99: 1-5* **Pg. 819**

*** Hymn** *Marching To Zion* **No. 733**

* Entrance of the Light of Christ

Joys and Prayer Concerns of the Congregation

(Please sign attendance pads located at the end of pew) 67

Mission Moment **“Water for Life”**

Next Sunday we will begin a “coin collection” during the children’s message for providing clean drinking water to Liberia.

Unison Prayer

Light of God, shine upon us this hour. As your light once made Jesus radiant on a mountaintop with Moses and Elijah, transform us as we worship here today. Let us encounter your Holy Spirit, undeniably present among us, that we may bear Christ’s light to a world that longs for peace. Amen

Silent Prayer Morning Prayer Lord’s Prayer

Choral Prayer Response *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* **No. 349**

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
look full in his wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of his glory and grace.*

Alleluia Children’s Choir *Goliath* Williams/Martin

Children’s Message Mrs. Kelly Vergowven

The Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

* Doxology (No. 95), Blessing

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

*** Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy* **No. 64**

9:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Anthem

Immortal Love Forever Full Richard DeLong

Scripture *Matthew 17: 1-9*

Message Seeing Jesus in a Whole New Light Rev. Evans C. Bentley

*** Hymn** *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* **No. 173**

The Light of Christ Leads Us In To the World

Benediction

*** Congregational Response** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

St. Paul's Staff

Pastor: Evans C. Bentley

Office Manager: Susan Paterson

Director of Music: John C. Tyner

Organist: Inger Oswald

Director of Children's Choirs: John Fedosky

Christian Education Director: Alisha Cooley

Youth Leader: Willie Lass & Kelly Vergowven

Ushers:

9:00 a.m.-

11:00 a.m. – Dave Drumm, Robin Simonson,
Jane Drumm, Alisha Cooley

Liturgists:

9:00 a.m. – John Oswald

11:00 a.m. – Kelly Vergowven

Greeters:

11:00 a.m. – Pascale Clevinger

Acolytes:

9:00 a.m. – Olivia Gladieux & Chloe Pabin

11:00 a.m. – Alyssa LaRoy & Evelyn Short

Worship attendance last Sunday – 159**Budget Information:**

Expenditures: \$48,066

Income 37,067

Endowment Income and

2016 Carryover used: 10,999

Announcements

Please keep **Jack and Janet Volker** in your thoughts and prayers.

The congregation of St. Paul's extends its Christian sympathy to **Cathy Spalding and family on the death of her brother, Dennis Curson.**

The Chancel flowers are given in honor of Adel Ivey's birthday on February 24th. Happy birthday from your three younger sisters!

Childcare is provided for children, 4 years old and younger in the nursery on Sundays during worship service.

Check the back of the chancel for the baskets loaded with lumbar pillows made by the women of Eve Circle designed for you to pick up and use to ease your back a bit while you enjoy the services each week (not to be used as a sleep aid!) Find one that suits your body, take it to your pew and return it when the service is over. And be sure and let the women of Eve Circle know what you think of this idea. Should they make more?

St. Paul's is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, March 2, 2017 from 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment, go to www.redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code stpaulmonroe. Call Kelly Skarbek at 457-3633 if you'd like to volunteer on the day of the drive. Thank You!

The United Methodist Women provide copies of the Upper Room, a daily devotional guide, to the St. Paul's congregation. The cost per year per person is about \$10. They provide 100 subscriptions. If you would be willing to donate to this cost, please use a pew envelope and mark it "UMW Upper Room." Thank you!

HOME PLATE 2017: the UMYF/Youth are going to this unique activity on the **Saturday 29th of April. OPEN TO ALL Each adult \$34/youth \$25 ticket includes:** The Program. Poster. Souvenirs. Meal coupon for concession areas at Comerica Park. An Upper Box Infield, Upper Reserved Infield, Upper Grandstand, Mezzanine, Pavilion, Skyline or other seat for the game between the Tigers and the White Sox. An **on-the-field Photo Day**, sponsored by the Detroit Tigers, is scheduled from 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM. This is available to all attendees at **HOME PLATE 2017**. The program will include several of these athletes speaking about their careers in professional sports and their faith in Jesus Christ. New Tigers players, wives, members of the White Sox, and other athletes may also participate. Leave your request and money in the office or contact Willie Lass at 734-735-1669 / wlass@charter.net **Deadline is March 15th.** The earlier we order the better.

Lent is very near. We are finalizing the Wednesday night Lenten programs and would like volunteers/groups to provide snacks after. A sign up list is on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. This nourishment is greatly appreciated and blessings to all who can help.

St. Paul's UMW will meet on **Thursday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m.** in fellowship hall. Our speaker will be Paula Whitman from Paula's House. Please join us as we "Learn and Care about Monroe."

St. Paul's Spring Music Festival – Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 1, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.** and come enjoy a worshipful concert presented by St. Paul's Music Ministry. All of St. Paul's choirs and instrumentalists will present beautiful and uplifting sacred music. We hope you will come and invite friends and family. The concert is free of charge and will be followed by a reception presented by the women of Eve Circle

This Week at St. Paul's

Sunday, February 26, 2017

- 9:00 a.m. – Worship
- 10:00 a.m. – Sunday school classes
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship

Tuesday, February 28, 2017

- 6:00 p.m. – Community Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. – Administrative Board

Wednesday, March 1, 2017 – Ash Wednesday

- Noon – Kiwanis Club
- 5:30 p.m. Christ's Kids Club and Children's Choirs
- 5:30 p.m. – Youth Choir
- 6:15 p.m. – Praise Ringers
- 6:30 p.m. – Women's Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. – Ash Wednesday Worship
- 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. – Children's Chimes choir

Thursday, March 2, 2017

- 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – Red Cross Blood Drive in gym
- 10:00 a.m. – *Sounds of Joy* Community Singers

Sunday, March 5, 2017

- 9:00 a.m. – Worship and Holy Communion
- 10:00 a.m. – Sunday school classes
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship and Holy Communion
- 6:00 p.m. - UMYF