



MOUNT HOLLYWOOD

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, we are so glad you are worshipping with us today. Welcome home!

Transfiguration Sunday
~ Annual Meeting Worship Service ~
February 11, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

We Gather in Community

Gathering Music and Photo Montage

Joe Lawrence

Slideshow created by Juan Sánchez

Welcome & Announcements

Juli Otis, Moderator

Ringing of the Bell

Young Person

Call to Worship

Eric Carlson, Treasurer

One: Something drew us together this morning

All: Something we can't name but which we experience in worship

One: Some holy mystery we call God

All: Some sacred calling we hear in the life of Jesus

One: Some indescribable hope we feel when we gather in the Spirit

All: May our experience of the Divine transform our doubts and fears and prepare us to love the world.

↑**Opening Hymn**

#4 v. 1-3

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

↑**Gathering Prayer**

by Christopher Reynolds, Communications

Lord, today and in the days to come, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is shouting, **let us practice listening.**

Where there's confusion, **let us inspire harmony.**

Where there's ambiguity, **let us bring clarity.**

Where there's exclusion, **let us offer solidarity.**

Where there is sensationalism, **let us use restraint.**

Where there is superficiality, **let us raise deeper questions.**

Where there is arrogance, **let us remember humility.**

Where there is prejudice, **let us awaken trust.**

Where there is hostility, **let us show respect.**
Where there is falsehood, **let us bring truth. Amen.**

↑Passing the Peace

David Weinreb, Hospitality

One: We are invited to feast at the table of God's Shalom, to seek the well-being and the wholeness of all creation. Peace for our bodies. Peace for our souls. Peace in our relationships. Peace in our world. May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share the sign of peace with one another.

Birthday Blessing

Rev. Ashley

We Share the Word

Time with our Young People and Young at Heart

Aimee Hopkins
Christian Education

All are invited to come forward and sit in the front if they feel led. Afterwards, ages K-5th grade are invited to Godly Play next door.

Choral Anthem

"A Clare Benediction"
Mount Hollywood Choir

John Rutter

Reading: Mark 9:2-9

Clay Widdifield, Vice Moderator

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 bright, such as no one on earth could brighten 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 set up three tents: 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.

Reading

"When Glory"

Chris Carlson, Facilities

A Blessing for Transfiguration Sunday, By Jan Richardson

That when glory comes,
we will open our eyes
to see it.
That when glory shows
up,

we will let ourselves
be overcome
not by fear
but by the love
it bears.

That when glory shines,
we will bring it
back with us
all the way,
all the way,
all the way down.

Moderator's Reflection

Juli Otis

Minister's Reflection

Rev. Ashley

We Pray

↑Centering Song

x2

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. My heart, my heart a-dores you! My
San-to, san-to, san-to. ¡Mi co - ra - zón te a-do - ra! Mi

heart knows how to say to you: you are ho - ly, Lord!
co - ra - zón te sa - be decir: ¡San-to e-res, Se - ñor!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has four measures, and the second system has five measures. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is primarily in the soprano voice, with piano accompaniment in the right and left hands. The lyrics are in English and Spanish. The piece ends with a double bar line and a fermata over the final chord.

Joys, Concerns and Discoveries - Silent Prayer

Juan Sánchez, Worship

It is our practice at Mt. Hollywood to share our Gratitude and Joy, Concerns and Discoveries.

Our Common Prayer (Unison) *Please pray the words that are most meaningful for you.*
Our Father/Mother/Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Give

Invitation to the Offering

Carrie Traylor, Special Projects

Offertory

“Different”

Micah Tyler

Autumn Lawrence, soloist

Prayer of Dedication

Leslie Koch, Green Team

Excerpt from ‘Wild Geese’, by Wendell Berry

Geese appear high over us, pass, and the sky closes.
Abandon, as in love or sleep, holds them to their way, clear,
in the ancient faith: what we need is here. And we pray, not
for new earth or heaven, but to be quiet in heart, and in eye clear.
What we need is here. Amen.

Grace Notes

Rev. Ashley

↑**Closing Hymn**

#451

Be Now My Vision

We Do the Work of the Church

Musical Interlude

Joe Lawrence

During the interlude, you are invited to take a short stretch break and bring some refreshments back to your seat for our voting portion.

Review Our Time & Establishing a Quorum

Juli Otis

Treasurer’s Report & Budget for 2024

Eric Carlson

Discussion of Budget-Voting Item****

Eric Carlson

Review and Affirm Leadership Team for 2024- **Voting Item**

Juli Otis

Other Business

Community

Closing Blessing

Juli Otis

All Members, Ministers
Rev. Ashley Hiestand, Pastor
Joe Lawrence, Music Director
Juli Otis, Moderator
Vincent Lopez, Technical Director

↑Please rise in mind, body, or spirit

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