First Presbyterian Church Chippewa Falls, WI Worship Service February 14, 2021 – 10:15AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Gathering Song: "Take, O Take Me As I Am"

GTG698

Take, O take me as I am; Summon out what I shall be: Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: The Mighty One speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

All: Keep not your silence before us, O God, but let the heavens declare your righteousness.

One: "Gather to me my faithful ones, all you who have made a covenant with me."

All: We offer you our sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving as we call on your name.

One: Let us worship God!

HYMN "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

Hymn #315

INVITATION TO CONFESSION:

One: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need. Let us ask God to forgive us. (Heb. 4:14, 16)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

All: God of compassion, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. In Christ you bring light, yet we still dwell in darkness. Your Word offers guidance, but we choose to ignore your counsel. You promise renewal, but we heed not your wisdom. We bow to the gods of this world, choosing to hide from your truth. Speak to us again from beyond the clouds of our sinfulness; dazzle us anew with the light of Christ's love. Restore and forgive us.

One: Hear the good news. God is light, and in God there is no darkness. "If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin." God is faithful and just, and in Jesus Christ forgives us our sin.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN "Love Devine, All Loves Excelling"

Hymn #376, verses 1, 2

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalm 50: 1-6

The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth. Our God comes and does not keep silence, before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around him. He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge. *Selah*

GOSPEL:

Mark 9: 2-9

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 white, such as no one on earth could bleach 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 make three dwellings, 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.

SERMON: "Jesus' Glory 2.0" Rev. Gary Hedding

HYMN "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" Hymn #423, verses 1,4

CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: