

Welcome to the Rectortown United Methodist Church

*No matter where you have been or where you have failed to be –
what you have said or what you have failed to say - what you have
done or what you have failed to do - whom you have loved or
whom you have failed to love - you are welcome here.*

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE - let us quiet our minds, hearts, and spirits as we begin to focus on the presence of God as we become aware of the *Light of Christ* in our midst.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and CELEBRATIONS

CALL TO WORSHIP *(adapted the Abingdon Worship Annual, 2021, p. 36)*

May the brightness of God shine around us,
within us, and through us.

The light of God is shining...
shining around and within.

The voice of God is calling...
calling not just from ancient texts, but from here and now.

The love of God is with us...
flowing around and within us.

HYMN Shine, Jesus Shine TFWS 2173

OPENING PRAYER *(adapted from the UM BOW, p. 337)*

Most loving and gracious God of glory and mercy - before his death in shame your Son went to the mountain top, and you revealed his life in glory. Where prophets witnessed to him, you proclaimed him your Son, but he returned to die among us. Help us face evil with courage, knowing that all things, even death, are subject to your transforming power. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(adapted from FOTW Worship Companion, Yr. B, Vol 1, p.)

O God This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM READING

50:1-6

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:2-9

* Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

TODAY'S MESSAGE *Exposed...*

HYMN On Eagle's Wings UMH 143

INVITATION, CONFESSION, and PARDON Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

Offertory Prayer

THANKSGIVING

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 13-15

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

UMH 703

SENDING FORTH

Bind Us Together

TFWS 2226

*This worship service has ended, and now your service begins.
As you leave church today, you are entering the mission field.*

Questions for Reflection

(adapted from FOTW Worship Companion, Year B, Volume 1, p. 89)

At the transfiguration, God bestows on Jesus the mantle of divine authority, saying "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" What do these constellations of relationships suggest to you? How do they help you understand the transfiguration of Jesus? How is Jesus a fulfillment of the 'law' and the 'prophets'? How is Jesus revealed to be God's Son, and what does that mean for us?

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