

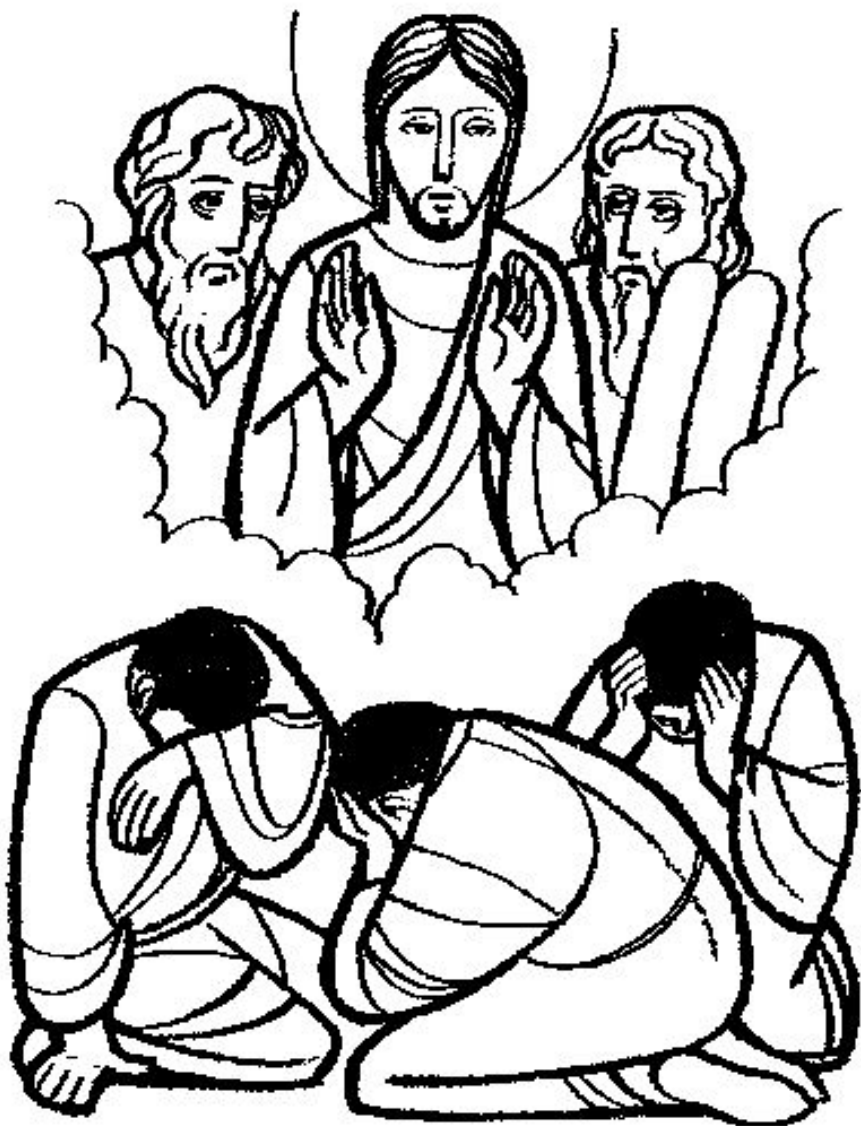
# **CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**10:30 am**

**Transfiguration of the Lord**

\*Please stand as able

## GATHERING

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Prelude                      ***Holy Ground*** (Medley)  
Words & Music by Geron Davis  
Arr. by Jim Hammerly  
Millete Silverio

Welcome &  
Announcements              *Pastor David Haley*

\*Call to Worship              *Cindy Barron, Leader*  
From seashore to mountain top,  
from lonely place to hillside,  
from touching lepers to touching glory,  
   **we have witnessed the reign of God.**  
From baptism's water to mountain top glory,  
from calling disciples to the healing of many,  
from synagogue exorcism to transfiguration,  
   **we have seen the glory of God.**  
From the Jordan to the present,  
from the beginning to here,  
from the Galilee to this place,  
   **we gather in the light of God.**  
*[-Roddy Hamilton, revised]*

\*Hymn 103              ***Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise***

Opening Prayer

**Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ, whose compassion illumines the world. Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Children's Moment

## WORD

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Old Testament	<b>2 Corinthians 4: 3 - 6</b> <i>Cindy Barron, Reader</i>
Psalms	<b>Psalm 50: 1 - 6</b> <i>The Grail Version</i>
Anthem	<b>Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord</b> <i>Words &amp; Music, Paul Baloche Arrangement, Jack Schrader The Chancel Choir</i>
*Gospel	<b>Mark 9: 2 - 9</b>
*Hymn 189	<b>Fairest Lord Jesus</b>
Message	<b>The Face of Jesus Christ</b> <i>Pastor Haley</i>
The Prayers	
Offering	<b>We Bow Down</b> <i>Twila Paris, Setting by Joel Raney Millete Silverio</i>

## TABLE

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*The Peace	
Great Thanksgiving	
The Giving of the Bread and the Cup	<i>(please come forward to receive the bread and dip it into the cup)</i>
Prayer After Communion	

## SENDING FORTH

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*Hymn 2173	<b>Shine, Jesus, Shine</b>
*Dismissal & Blessing	
*Postlude	<b>Shine Down</b> <i>Billy Smiley, Mark Gersmehl &amp; Bob Farrell; Arr. by Dick Tunney</i>

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*Keeping God central in hearts, minds, and lives*

## WELCOME

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If you are a guest at Central today, we welcome you and are honored you have come to begin a New Year with us. Here's some helpful things to know . . .

- **RESTROOMS** are downstairs. There is also an accessible restroom just outside the sanctuary, to the left.
- The words to the hymns, the Scripture readings, and the responses may be followed on the screen. Please silence all **CELL PHONES** before the service.
- At the time of the **OFFERING**, we realize not every one carries cash or checks; to donate electronically go to [www.skokiecentralumc.org/donate.html](http://www.skokiecentralumc.org/donate.html)
- Today as we celebrate **HOLY COMMUNION**, you do not have to be United Methodist or a member of our congregation to participate; all who accept Christ's invitation to his table – of every age – are welcome. Our method of communion today will be to go forward, receive the bread and dip it into the cup.

## TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD, ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT

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Today is the **TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**, the last Sunday after the Epiphany and the Sunday before **ASH WEDNESDAY**, the beginning of **LENT**. **ASH WEDNESDAY** is this Wednesday, February 14th (Valentine's Day; roses and ashes, anyone?). The sign of ashes will be available for all who desire them from 5 pm to 7 pm in the Sanctuary. A sheet of introduction and preparation will be provided; drop by, prayerfully prepare yourself, receive the sign of ashes and begin the holy season of **LENT**. One further twist: this year, **EASTER SUNDAY** will be April 1st (April Fool's Day!).

## ALTAR

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Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by the **WERTH FAMILY** in celebration of **EMMA's** 4th birthday.

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## FELLOWSHIP

Following worship, you are invited downstairs to Fellowship Hall for a time of food and conversation. Today's Fellowship is hosted by **EMELITA BENIGNO** and the **SOCO FAMILY** in celebration of **EMELITA** and **FERDINAND, SR.'s** birthdays. Volunteers are needed to host upcoming fellowship times; a sign-up sheet is available to the right of the serving window in Fellowship Hall.

## LADIES' NIGHT OUT

Join us for **LADIES' NIGHT OUT** next **Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>** at **5:30 pm** in the Log Cabin. Dinner will be ordered in, followed by a movie.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

February 15 - Ed Gut

16 - Ben Arvizu, Evan Arvizu

17 - Ferdinand Soco

19 - Sean Carey, Matthew Carey, Lily Carey

*To add a name to the birthday list, contact the office at (847) 673-1311 or [central\\_church@skokiecentralumc.org](mailto:central_church@skokiecentralumc.org).*

### What is Lent?

Lent is an important season in the Church's year. Every year Christians use Lent to prepare themselves for the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, on Easter Sunday.



### When is Lent?

Lent is the forty days before Easter. Christians do not include Sundays in the forty days because they celebrate Jesus' resurrection every Sunday. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday.



## **CALENDAR**

**Today, Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Transfiguration of the Lord**

8:45 am - Chancel Choir

9:30 am - Sunday School  
& Adult Bible Study

10:30 am - **Worship**  
Fellowship to follow

**Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Ash Wednesday**

5-7 pm - Sign of the Ashes (S)

7 pm - Scout Troop 72

**Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

7 pm - Choir Practice

**Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 pm - Ladies' Night Out

**Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**

8:45 am - Chancel Choir

9:30 am - Sunday School  
& Adult Bible Study

10:30 am - **Worship**  
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## **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

*To add/remove someone from the Prayer List,  
contact the church office*

***Hospitals, Rehab, Assisted  
Living & Extended Care:***

Edith Bass

Carmen Ewing

Brian Gut

Steve Winker

***At Home:***

Nancy Blaylock

Janet Casey

Lola Hessing

Wilma Odlivak

Eden Soco

Harriet Tiahnybik

Eutopio Zamora

## **LEADERS**

Pastor.....**David L. Haley**

Today's Reader.....**Cynthia Baron**

Choir Director/Accompanist.....**Millete Silverio**

Song Leader.....**Julianne Arvizu**

Office Staff.....**Doris Bloom & Pam Castaneda**

Nursery Attendant.....**Ellen Mittman**

Lay Leader.....**Cynthia Barron**

Fellowship.....**Emelita Benigno  
& the Soco Family**

Ministers.....**The People of the Congregation**

## **MEMORIAL WINDOW**

**Message:**

**Christ Lives Today!**

***Jesus Christ is the same yesterday,  
today and forever***