

he Federated Church

United Church of Christ † Unitarian Universalist Association



EPIPHANY

**A SEASON OF
ILLUMINATION & TRANSFIGURATION**

February 27, 2022 | 10:00

Order of Worship

*All music is from the **black New Century Hymnal** in your pew back, unless noted otherwise*

Prelude

Welcome & Passing the Peace

Gathering Hymn “We Have Come at Christ’s Own Bidding” (p.4)

Centering Moment

“It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us. ... You are a child of God. Your playing small does not serve the world. There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. ... We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.” ~ Marianne Williamson

Silent Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

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 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.

Sung Response “The Little Light of Mine” (p.5)

Scripture [Exodus 34:27-35; Luke 9:28-36; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2](#)

Sermon “Transfiguration: Unveiling God’s Glory in Christ and in Us”

Musical Meditation

Our Shared Life & Offering

Announcements

Offertory

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God for all that Love has done.

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Sending Hymn “Transfigure Me” (p.6)

Benediction

Postlude

While the postlude plays, ushers will release you one row at a time, beginning in the back

WORSHIP NOTES

Those serving us this morning are:

Pastor: Rev. Eric J. Ogi | **Ministers:** All of us! | **Director of Music:** Gary Mattin

Ushers: *Paula von Ende and Skip & Bev Schramer — Ushers scheduled for next Sunday, Mar. 6th: Dave Wood, Pam Wagener, Chris Borresen & Bev Whildin*

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***YOU* ARE WELCOME HERE!**

Federated Church is an Open & Affirming Community: This means that in a time of deep division and vitriolic rhetoric around issues of race, ethnicity, gender, and sexuality; a time when the dignity of people living with disabilities or mental health issues are often ignored, demonized, or turned into a joke, we promise to:

Welcome all people of every age, gender, race, national origin, faith expression, marital status & family structure, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, physical ability, mental or emotional condition, economic and social status, and educational background to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, blessings, and joys of our church family.

The Rainbow Flag: We proudly display a rainbow flag at the front of our sanctuary as a visual declaration of God's extravagant and inclusive love, as well as of our own "promise of welcome" to all people. Our prayer is that all can be their truest selves here. This flag serves as a particular signal that our church is a safe and affirming space for LGBTQ+ people to be, to belong, to lead, to question, and to grow in faith.

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

1 We have come at Christ's own bid - ding to this high and
 2 Light breaks through our clouds and shad - ows, splen - dor bathes the
 3 Strength-ened by this glimpse of glo - ry, fear - ful lest our

ho - ly place, Where we wait with hope and long - ing for some
 flesh-joined Word, Mo - ses and E - li - jah mar - vel as the
 faith de - cline, We, like Pe - ter, find it tempt-ing to re -

to - ken of God's grace. Here we pray for new as -
 heav - enly voice is heard. Eyes and hearts be - hold with
 main and build a shrine. But true wor - ship gives us

sur - ance that our faith is not in vain, Search - ing
 won - der how the Law and Proph - ets meet: Christ with
 cour - age to pro - claim what we pro - fess, That our

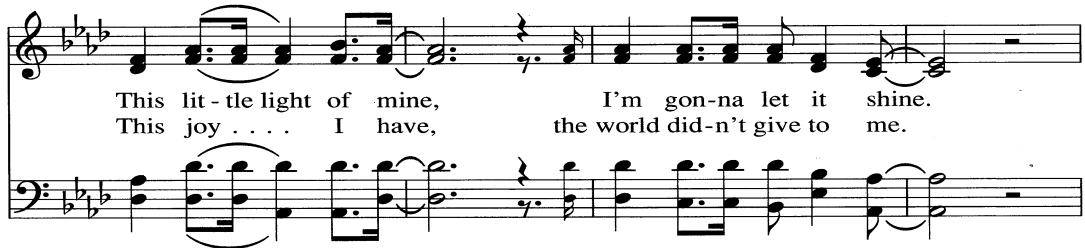
like those first dis - ci - ples for a sign both clear and plain.
 gar - ments drenched in bright - ness, stands trans - fig - ured and com - plete.
 dai - ly lives may prove us peo - ple of the God we bless.

This Little Light of Mine



1 This lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine.
 1 This . . . joy I have, the world did-n't give to me.

I am gon - na let it, let it shine,
 oh, the world did not give to me,

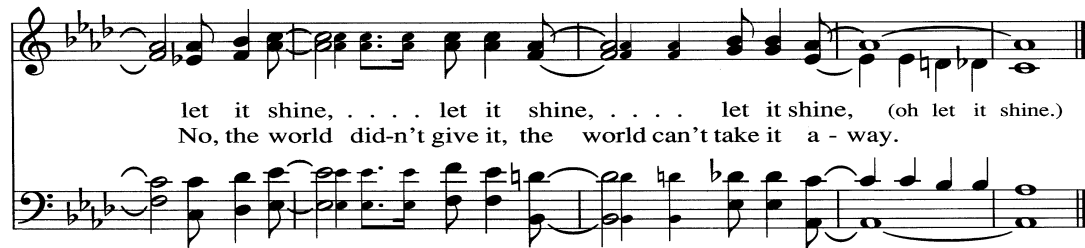


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 This . . . joy I have, the world did - n't give to me.

Hal - le-lu - jah,
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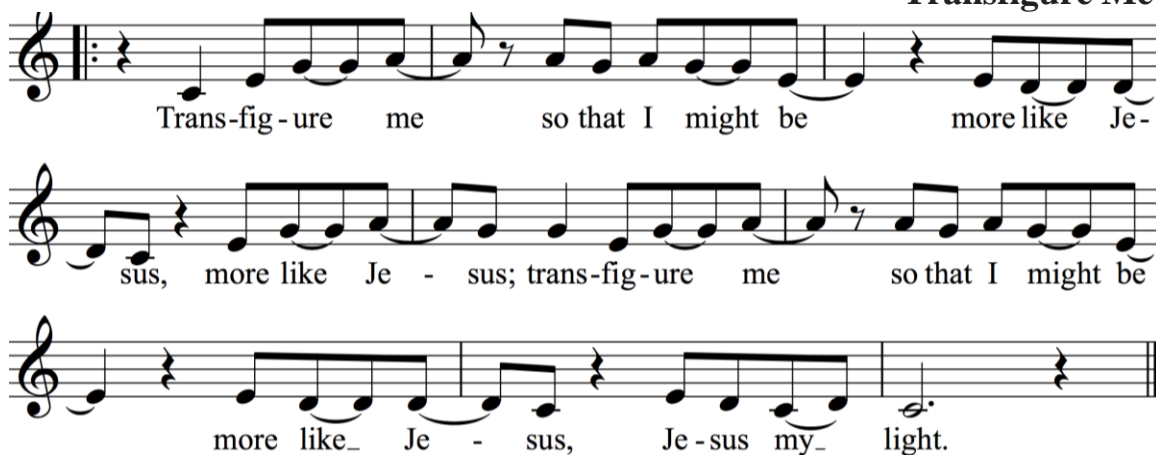
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, (oh let it shine.)
 No, the world did-n't give it, the world can't take it a - way.

WITNESS

“This Little Light” continued:
 2 Ev-ery-where I go . . .
 3 All--through the night . . .

“This Joy I Have” continued:
 2 This love I have . . .
 3 This hope I have . . .
 4 This faith I have . . .
 5 This peace I have . . .

Transfigure Me



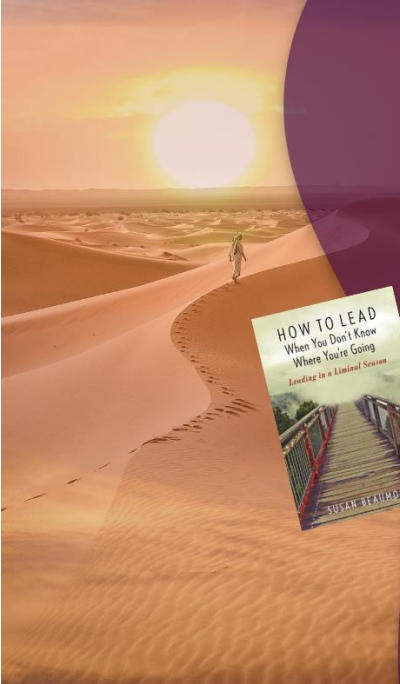
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List — Included in our Weekly E-news, this is made through updates shared with the church office. To add or remove a prayer request, please contact Laura. Let us know what information you'd like shared, including service information (e.g. a funeral or celebration of life). If you're looking for information, what we've received to share will be included there. Additionally, if someone immediately connected to our congregation has died, you will be notified as soon as we have this information. Illnesses and the deaths of extended family and friends will be shared in the next Weekly E-news / Prayer List.

Ash Wednesday, *Wednesday, March 2nd, 7pm*

Join us for a contemplative evening service with ashes as we reflect on what it means to be mortal and made of the earth, as we begin our Lenten journey toward Holy Week and Easter. The service will be in-person and streamed via Facebook Live. Those in the sanctuary will be invited to receive ashes in the sign of the cross

Lenten Small Groups



**Lenten
Book
Discussion**

***How to Lead When
You Don't Know
Where You're Going***

**SUNDAYS,
11:15am - 12:15pm
March 6 - April 3**
in-person in Dutton Hall

Sign up below!

Richard Rohr reminds us that all transformation takes place when we are in between the familiar and the completely unknown. Scripture often illustrates this experience as being in "the wilderness" or in a "deserted place."

When "things fall apart" in life, when how we've always operated or understood God and faith is no longer working, we can feel disoriented or stuck—like we're in a wilderness. Like those in

scripture, we often try to run away from such places—and yet, like them, God leads us back.

Led by Pastor Eric, in this small group, we'll reflect on how we can navigate "wilderness journeys"—our own, and as a church—without simply wishing to "return to normal" or wait things out, but rather, how we can open ourselves during these journeys to God's transforming spirit so that we may be made new.

[Click Here to Sign Up!](#)



Healing. Growth. Transformation. Newness.

They sound nice, don't they? Yet the change and journey they imply are anything but easy. They require intentionality and breaking our addictions to habits and cycles that keep us stuck. It's hard work, and it's heart work. And we never perfect it.

In this small group, we'll use short films that integrate video, music, and reflections from leading Christian thinkers to help us reflect together on every-day spiritual practices needed to draw us beyond what is and toward the newness God desires to grow in and through us.

***No "pre-work" required to for this small group. You can simply show up each week! ***

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“Welcoming Any, Loving All”

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