**Prayer Concerns**

First Responders
Victims of natural disasters
Those suffering from mental illness
Those affected by gun violence
Those who are homeless
Stephen Ministers and Care Receivers
Our condolences to the family of Jim Wallace following his passing
Tom M. & Family
Danielle, lifted by Alice & Andy
Ron W.
Josh O. & Guylene H.
Dallas, Terri W.’s father
Bobbi, Terri W.’s sister
Barbara B.
Viola C.
Susan W.
Carolyn and Alex B.
Danielle, Gwen’s granddaughter
Mary, Sue S.’s mother
Gwen H.
Donald R.
Mary Lou L.
Brian R.
Frank M.
Bill & Vince, lifted by Reba Y.
Jim, friend of Marilyn & Bill R.
Connie C.
Sheryl, lifted by Sally S.
Selene, lifted by Carole A.
Keith A.
Donna, sister of Carol N.
Donna, friend of Judy K.
Andy, Faye W.’s son
Israel, Sarah J.’s student
Bev, lifted by Josh O.
Zack, son of Jennifer G.
Steve, Mary Ellen M.’s son
Dusty, nephew of Reba Y.
Darlene, friend of Barb A.
Sterling B.
Dawn, friend of Susan W.
Jeff, friend of Judy K.
Bob, Carole B.’s son
Kifah, friend of David L.
Matthew F., USAF
Lt. Col Bill G., USMC
Christopher Y., USAF

**February 14, 2021** Transfiguration Sunday

**Welcome and Passing of the Peace**
L: May the light of Jesus Christ be radiant in you!
P: And also in you!

**Ministries and Missions Announcements**

**Prelude**
Luigi Cherubini

**Prayer**
Marlene Dirksen

**Call to Worship**
Chris Byrns
L: Life can seem shrouded in mystery.
P: O Lord, lift the veil of our misunderstanding that we may see your Light.
L: We are eager to serve.
P: O Lord, calm our spirits and patiently prepare us for service.
L: Look to the Lord for mercy and comfort.
P: We look to the Lord for healing and hope.

**This Week’s Birthdays**

February 14 Carol Weinert
February 20 Joanne Krueger

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Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm, Pastor
Worship with us online: https://youtu.be/gW7rGL0ezTk
Unison Prayer
The darkness of winter has been our companion, Lord. Now the days are lengthening. Bring your light to us, that we might see your glory and may work for you, offering hope and peace to this world. We ask this, in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

New Testament Reading  2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Hymn  Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies  UMH 173
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Prayers of the People
Prayer Concerns (back of bulletin)
Pastoral Prayer

Prayer of Confession
Patient Lord, you know how accustomed we are to “magic” tricks. Our spirits and our senses get fooled easily. We would be just like the disciples, at first not believing what we were seeing and then wanting to make a monument to the event. Thank you for being so patient with us. Forgive us when we get so wrapped up in the moment that we don’t take time enough to understand its significance. Help us pause, reflect, think, and thank you for the blessings of unexpected revelations. Give us wisdom and strength to be your disciples, proclaiming your transforming love to all people. Amen.

Words of Assurance
To you the light of love and ministry has been revealed. Rejoice! You have been blessed by God to be witnesses; to proclaim God’s love to all. Be at peace!

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 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.

The Offering with Prayer
Please continue to be faithful with your financial gifts by sending your stewardship contribution to the church office to the attention of the Financial Secretary, Ed Brewster.

Gospel Reading  Mark 9:2-9

Hymn  We Have Come at Christ’s Own Bidding  TFWS 2103
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Sermon  “A Life-Changing Experience”  Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

Hymn  Shine, Jesus, Shine  TFWS 2173
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Benediction
Get ready to serve the Lord. Go in peace and joy, sharing the good news of Jesus’ transforming love and power for all. Amen.

Postlude  O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High
arr. David Johnson
Marlene Dirksen