



HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Bulletin
February 11, 2024

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

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.

God's glory fills the earth, but sometimes we, like Elisha, do not think we are ready to encounter glory.

And yet, God's glory showed up anyway.

Sometimes we are like the disciples who witnessed Jesus' transfiguration and wanted to cling to that one glorious moment.

And yet, God called them down from the mountain.

So, we gather today, some of us feeling ready and some of us feeling wholly unprepared, yet all are called together to worship and to be led by glory out into the world.

**God, may we perceive your glory all around us,
pointing us in the way you would have us go. Amen.**

*HYMN *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* UMH 173

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.

We are yours, Lord, though we fight for control.

Take our lives; make us yours.

Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

We are yours, Lord, though our busyness gets in the way.

Take our days; make them yours.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

We are yours, Lord, though we are not always in service.

Take our hands; make them yours.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

**We are yours, Lord, even though our feet don't always move
with your Spirit. Take our feet; make them yours. Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE & 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.**

OFFERATORY PRAYER & OFFERATORY

*Each Sunday we collect loose change that will be given to a
designated mission. The mission for this month is City with
Dwellings.*

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



- ¹ The mighty one, God the LORD,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- ² Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.
- ³ Our God comes and does not keep silent;
before him is a devouring fire
and a mighty tempest all around him.
- ⁴ He calls to the heavens above
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:
- ⁵ "Gather to me my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"
- ⁶ The heavens declare his righteousness,
for God himself is judge. *Selah*



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION³

Living God, help us to hear your Word with open hearts so that we may truly understand; and understanding, that we may believe; and, believing, that we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do. Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

The Transfiguration

² 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, ³ and his clothes became dazzling bright, such as no one on earth could brighten them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶ He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸ Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. ⁹ 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.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE “The discipline of following Jesus” Pastor Craig

INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF LENTEN DISCIPLINE

THANKSGIVING OVER THE ASHES

*IMPOSITION OF ASHES

*HYMN *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* UMH 430

DISMISSAL AND BLESSING



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 11, 2024

Prayer Focus for February: Love one another.

Bible verse to remember: John 13:34,35: “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 11 will feature the imposition of ashes in preparation for Ash Wednesday. We will not hold a service on Wednesday, February 14.

“Souper Bowl” Sunday, February 11, immediately following worship service we will gather in the fellowship hall for chili and soups prepared by church members and grilled cheese sandwiches. Donations will be received for Samaritan Ministries. Join us for good food and fellowship!

Administrative Council, Tuesday, February 13, at 7:00 p.m.



1. Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023.
2. Written by Ciona D. Rouse, *The Africana Worship Book, Year B* (Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 2007), 151.
3. *The Worship Sourcebook*, Faith Alive Christian Resources, Grand Rapids, MI, 142.

PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel and All First Responders

The people in Ukraine

The family of Joe Bennett

Melissa Brown

Daughter of Maria Rogers

James Brunk

In law of Billy Gordy

Joy Brunk

Sister of Billy Gordy

Cathy Childress

5703 Beaver Pond Trail, Pfafftown 27040

Jimmy Clayton

Nephew of Billy Gordy

Ray Dillon

6065 Germanton Road, W-S 27105

Dorothy Frye

Friend of Dianne Raynor

The family of Lee Gordy

Brother of Billy Gordy

Ray Gordy

Brother of Billy Gordy

Bobby & Shirley Griffin

Friend of Dianne Raynor

Cathy Hrestak

Cousin to Joe Bennett

Kay Huneycutt

Kayla

Friend of Margie Gordy

Scott Lane

Son of Janice Lane

Janice Lane

David Linville

Friend of Harold Kincaid

Kristy Long

Daughter of Clara Long

Kayla Manring

Friend of Annette Wood

Freddie Masencup

Friend of Sara Overton

Irene Mayo

Sister-in-law of Sara Overton

Mary Ruth Neeley

Sister of Margie Gordy

Keith Overton

Treatment

The family of Dorothy Shaffer

Friend of Beverly Snow

Alvin & Andy Shelton

Neice & Nephew of Billy Gordy

T.J. and Heather Small

Friend of Dianne Raynor

Stephanie

Friend of Dianne Raynor

Donald and Sylvia Stewart

Friends of Sara Overton

Rebekah Tate

Friend of Dianne Raynor

Angie Toth

Cancer Treatments

Robin Willard

5026 Gordy Trail, Winston-Salem, 27105

Christian Willard and family

Wade Willard

Friend of Billy & Margie Gordy

Shut-ins

Martha Collins, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150, Clemmons 27012

Betty Eddinger—Room 720, 1250 Arbor Road, Winston-Salem 27104

Ron Fulp, Holiday Forsyth Court, 2945 Reynolda Road—Apt. 142,

Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Clara Long, 1905 Emorywood Road, Rural Hall, 27045

Betty Martin, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150, Clemmons 27012

Judy Scudder, Bradford Village, 602 Piney Grove Rd, Kernersville 27284

Barbara White, 1294 Priddy Road, King, NC 27021

WELCOME FROM HICKORY RIDGE

We've been waiting for you! We believe that every person who comes into this special fellowship is sent by God, himself. Above all else, we want to express Christ's love for you with genuine, heartfelt warmth. We are eager to know you, and we are excited to share with you the marvelous ways God is working in our church and in our lives. It will not take long to discover that this is truly a family, rich in the relationships that matter most. Our hearts, our doors, and our minds are open. If you have been thinking, praying, searching for a place to belong, we say to you, "Welcome home!"

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

At Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church, our purpose is to communicate God's Word through evangelism, to provide fellowship and community to believers, to educate God's people through discipleship, to demonstrate God's love through service, and to celebrate God's presence in worship.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church
6012 Germanton Road, Winston Salem, NC 27105
www.hickoryridgeumc.org
Office: (336) 767-0380

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.

Craig Toth, Pastor
Mobile: (336) 500-1767
Email: craigmtoth@gmail.com
Office Hours: Tue. & Thur. 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.