



Mt Vernon UMC

February 19, 2023

Transfiguration Sunday

HYMN

404. Every Time I Feel the Spirit

GREETINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

Our God is an awesome God

He reigns from heaven above

With wisdom, power, and love

Our God is an awesome God! (2x)

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

We have seen the light of God;

on high mountains of celebration

and in the ecstasy of a lover's embrace.

We have seen the light of God;

through the bitter scorn of betrayal

and the searing chasm of grief.

We have seen the light of God;

with eyes that have been shaded,

with eyes that have been opened,

with eyes that have been blinded.

We have seen the light of God.

HYMN

127. Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 24:12-18

NOISY OFFERING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

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SCRIPTURE

Matthew 17:1-9

2 Peter 1:16-21

HYMN

349. Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

SERMON

PRAYER²

**God, we come to the mountaintop
to be covered in your presence.**

**We are comforted by your holiness and your glow;
we are comforted by the hope of the mountain top,
where you are so close, so accessible,
where there is no doubt of your glory**

The mountain top reminds us why we worship you.

**We witness your bright power,
and your plan for the nations of the earth.**

As we prepare for worship,

God bring us to the mountain top;

bring us to the mountain top

**so that we may be inspired to do your work
in the valley below.**

OFFERING & PEACE

DOXOLOGY - #95

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.




HOLY COMMUNION

POSTLUDE

God Be With You

² General Commission on the Status and Role of Women of the United Methodist Church. <http://www.gcsrw.org/Portals/4/WHM.worship%20March%202.pdf>.

Upcoming Ministry Opportunities

Noisy Offering (Cunningham Children's Home) Today!
Helping Hands Donation (   \$) 3/5
Ash Wednesday Dinner & Worship @ Bellflower UMC 2/22
District Clergy & Laity Gathering Today!
Sign up as liturgist, acolyte, etc. Every Sunday!

Recent and Upcoming Birthdays

Phil Francis (97), Dan Sherman, Caleb Oye, Bill Kurth

For more information about these and other activities, check your email for *This Week at Mt. Vernon*. If you don't receive *This Week at Mt. Vernon*, please let us know.

Week 8 Reading Plan:

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Leviticus 19-21	Lev 22-23	Lev 24-25	Lev 26-27	Numbers 1-2	Nu 3-4	Nu 5-6

God calls Mt Vernon UMC to:

Love God & neighbor as Jesus taught

Learn together of God's love and grace

Serve others by using our God given gifts and talents

Be witnesses of our faith in God

through Jesus Christ

to all the world!.

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If you would like a prayer, a visit, a meal, to have Holy Communion brought to your home, or have any other need, please contact any church member or Pastor Rob (217-751-4400, pastor@mtvernon-umc.org).