

RUTHERFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

United Church of Christ
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SUNDAY WORSHIP CELEBRATION February 10, 2013 – 10:30 A.M.
Transfiguration Sunday

*No matter who you are, or where you are on your journey,
You are welcome here.*

*Those parts of the Worship Celebration in which the congregation participates
in word or song are noted in bold type. *Please stand as you are able.*

GATHERING MUSIC 10:20 AM
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS 10:25 AM

PRELUDE

“Christ, upon the Mountain Peak” Brian Wren

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Something drew us together this morning.

Something we can't name but which we experience in worship.

Some holy mystery we call God.

Some sacred calling we hear in the life of Jesus.

Some indescribable hope we feel when we gather in the Spirit.

**May our experience of the Divine transform our doubts and fears
and prepare us to love the world.**

***OUR HYMN OF INVITATION**

Hymn # 182 “We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding” *Hyfrydol*

CALL TO CONFESSION (pastor)

OUR COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory and light, forgive us when we are complacent and comfortable with keeping the riches of your love to ourselves. Keep calling us down from our mountains of privilege. Keep expecting more of us as your disciples. Keep reminding us to listen to your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

KYRIE – SONG FOR MERCY

RCC Worshipbook, p. 27

*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS & SHARING OF GOD’S PEACE

Whether we hear a voice from the heavens or a still small voice in our hearts, listen carefully for the love of God. Believe and accept God’s love and live in God’s freedom.

We believe! Thanks be to God!

As God’s forgiven and loving community, let us offer one another a sign of God’s peace. Peace be with you.

And also with you.

*OUR SONG OF PEACE

*Make me a channel of your peace, Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord; and where there is doubt, true faith in you.
Make me a channel of your peace, where there is despair in life let me bring hope,
Where there is darkness only light and where there is sadness ever joy.
O Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love with all my soul.
Make me a channel of your peace, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving to all men that we receive and in dying that we’re born to eternal life.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (pastor)

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:28-36

MESSAGE

“Seeing Jesus for Real”

***OUR HYMN FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD**

Hymn # 183 “Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain” *Silver Spring*

THE CALL TO A LIFE OF SHARING (pastor)

OFFERTORY SELECTION

“We Meet You, O Christ” Words: Fred Kaan; Music: Carl F. Shalk

***OUR OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

*To God, all glorious heav’nly Light,
To Christ revealed on mountain’s height,
To God the Spirit now we raise,
Our joyful songs of thankful praise. Amen.*

***OUR PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Bless these gifts, we pray. May they represent
just the beginning of our journey to show forth
your glory to the world. Amen.**

**OUR JOYS & CONCERNS
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
OUR SAVIOR’S PRAYER**

(We use the phrase, “And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.”)

***OUR HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP**

Hymn # 184 “O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair” *Deo Gracias*

***COMMISSIONING & BLESSING**

May God now send us back down the mountain of our worship.

We have been changed.

We can’t be silent anymore.

We have seen the Light of the World.

Go and share the radiance of love!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

Go in peace.

POSTLUDE

“We Would See Jesus” by J. Edgar Park

OPEN AND AFFIRMING

The People of Rutherford Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, embrace the loving and creative goodness of God. We declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming church and welcome into full participation members and staff of every sexual orientation just as we extend the same loving welcome to people of every age, race, gender, physical and mental ability, ethnicity and marital and economic status. We affirm the gifts for ministry of all God's children and will not be silent when the rights and dignity of any are denied. We seek to be a congregation that welcomes and nurtures all people, that encourages respect, justice and compassion for all human relationships and that strives for wholeness in our city, country and throughout the world.

We extend a warm welcome and hope you will find the Rutherford Congregational Church a place where your faith will be nourished. If you are visiting or with us for the first time we ask that you sign our guest register, which is located in the Narthex. We invite you to join in fellowship following our service in the community room.

We thank our greeters, ushers, acolytes, our Director of Music, Ms. Kristin Barone, and our RCC Adult Choir for enhancing our worship experience. The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God by Caroline & Joel Sundell in honor of Barbara Dolan's Birthday.

Pastor: Rev. Gregory J. Rupright
Director of Music: Ms. Kristin Barone

CALENDAR FOR THE OF WEEK OF 02/10/13-02/17/13

Sunday: Worship Celebration & Church School Learning Center: 10:30 AM
Monday: A.A. Meeting: 6:30 PM
Wednesday: Narcotics Anonymous: 7:45 PM
Saturday: Everyone's Fellowship Breakfast: 7:30 AM
Nar-Anon: 10:00 – 11:30 AM
Sunday: Worship Celebration & Church School: 10:30 AM
Please see Congregational Church Yellow Pages for more announcements.

Last Sunday, February 3, 2013

Budgeted Weekly: \$1,851.00

Offering Receipts: \$1,269.00

Attendance: 37

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At Boiling Springs Savings Bank
280 Union Avenue***