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# *First Presbyterian Church*

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Transfiguration of the Lord    Sunday, February 27, 2022

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\*Those who are able may stand



**PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP**

**PRELUDE MUSIC**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Cornerstone*

*Bells of Praise*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INVITATION TO REST**

**\*GATHERING HYMN #175....."Seek Ye First"**  
*w/Bells*

**\*OPENING SENTENCES (Responsive)**

The mountain top  
the shining face  
the glowing clothes  
the voice of God speaking from the cloud  
the commandments etched in stone

**Sometimes God shows up in ways we cannot deny**

in a place we can go  
a light we can see  
a voice we can hear  
a stone we can touch

Sometimes

**Sometimes there is the veil**

the overshadowing, terrifying cloud  
the questions  
the appearing and disappearing  
the excitement

the wondering  
the silence  
Sometimes God shows up  
in ways we cannot deny.  
Always God shows up somehow.  
So, we have shown up here, now  
**May God give us eyes to see.**

## KYRIE

*(Please join us in the "Kyrie", an ancient song that mirrors the words people used to cry out to Jesus for healing in the scriptures. In Greek they mean, "Lord, have mercy". The church has sung these words for thousands of years as prayer and to prepare our hearts for confession.)*

*Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)*

*Christe Eleison (Christ have mercy)*

*Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)*

**Kyrie Eleison**

**Christe Eleison**

**Kyrie Eleison**

## CONFESSION OF NEED (Unison)

**God of Grace, we confess our need for you.**

**Your help, your strength, your wisdom, your guidance.**

**Because:**

**He came bathed in light, dazzling, radiant...**

**And we keep accepting mediocrity in your name  
and calling it good enough.**

**He came appearing with Elijah and Moses...**

**And we keep seeking a faith that is about us,  
even in the face of your expansive vision.**

**He came while a voice was shouting, "this is my Beloved;  
listen!"**

**And we keep silencing the voice of the other  
struggling to praise your name.**

**He came and they come appearing in communion,  
shouting for all who have ears to hear...**

**Lord, we need you to give us ears to hear.**

**KYRIE**

*Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)  
Christe Eleison (Christ have mercy)  
Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)*

*Kyrie Eleison*  
*Christe Eleison*  
*Kyrie Eleison*

**SILENCE FOR CONFESSION AND RESTING IN GOD’S GRACE**

**DECLARATION OF GRACE (Responsive)**

God hears the difficult truths we have named aloud and in the silence of our hearts.  
Now let the wonderful gift of God’s forgiveness flow through you.  
May the abundance of God’s mercy and grace set you free to serve God with love.  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**\*RESPONSE HYMN #452..... ”Open the Eyes of My Heart”**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ be with you! And Also, with you!  
Let us share a sign of God’s peace with one another.



**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)**

Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and understand your word beyond any speaker’s ability to explain. Through your word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen.  
Amen.

**SCRIPTURE**

**FIRST READING .....Exodus 34:29-35 (pg 89)**

**SECOND READING..... 2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2 (pg 190)**  
*Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!*

**GOSPEL READING..... Luke 9:28 - 36 (pg 71)**  
*Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Praise to You, O Christ*

**SERMON**

**Pastor Greg Isaacson**

**SILENCE FOR REFLECTION**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY #630....."Fairest Lord Jesus"**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord in your Mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our "sins")**

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)**

Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.

**Alleluia! Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #450....."Be Thou My Vision"**

**\*DISMISSAL (Responsive)**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**  
**Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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**Please continue to be in prayer for:**

JoAnn Westburg	Brent Blake
Scott Broksma	Darleen Frishkorn
Dan Wilson's Sister	
Duane & Betty Finkenbinder	

## *A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!*

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

*Pastor – Rev. Michael Ozaki*

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Check out our Website: [crookstonfirstpres.org](http://crookstonfirstpres.org)

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### **Calendar for this week:**

#### Sunday, February 27, 2022

10:30 am      Worship

11:30 am      Coffee Fellowship

Preaching..... Rev. Greg Isaacson  
Ushers & Greeters..... Craig & Connor Morgan  
Organist..... Hannah Krueger  
Music Director..... Sandy Perkins  
Reader..... Sandy Perkins

#### Wednesday, March 2

5 pm              Bell Rehearsal

6 pm              Ash Wednesday Service

#### Thursday, March 3

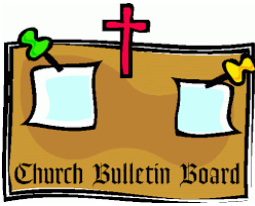
1 pm              Book Study

#### Next Sunday, March 6

10:30 am      Worship w/Communion

11:30 am      Coffee Fellowship

Preaching..... Rev. Michael Ozaki  
Communion Prep..... Jeri Melsa  
Ushers & Greeters..... Mario & Jill Schisano  
Organist..... George French  
Music Director..... Sandy Perkins  
Reader..... Marsha Odom



***Make sure to keep an eye on the Events bulletin board to keep informed on what's going on!***

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***The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the Worship Service. Books are ready for your review on the sign-in table outside the sanctuary.***

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## **SOUPEL BOWL of CARING**

***Thank you to everyone who gave for this great cause!  
We were able to send \$445 to the Care & Share Hope  
Food Shelf!***

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***March's newsletter and calendar came out this week. Be sure to check it out – all Lent and Easter activities are listed for your reference!***

