

**This year Pastor Allen will be reading through the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John – a chapter a day – every ninety days. This week's readings are:**

Sunday	February 23	Luke 13
Monday	February 24	Luke 14
Tuesday	February 25	Luke 15
Wednesday	February 26	Luke 16
Thursday	February 27	Luke 17
Friday	February 28	Luke 18
Saturday	February 29	Luke 19
Sunday	March 1	Luke 20

**Prayers of the People for February 23– March 1, 2020**

**For Those Ill of Mind, Body, or Spirit**

Claudia Adams (Connie Eteo's sister), Joy Ellwanger Anderson, Nancy Belanger, Gaby Campbell, Claudia Cohen, Ricky Cox (Mary Anna Cox's husband), Cassandra Crump, Jake Dowd (Helen Alexander's nephew), C.W. and Bobbie Dulin, Bob Ellwanger, Rick Ervin, Connie Eteo, Audrey Ewing, Betty Gibson, Barbara Goodman, Glenda Haines, Terry Hamilton (Terry Shaw's uncle), Dorothy Hendricks, Patricia Huffman (Martha Butler's mother), Lisa Johnson, Terri LaRue (Doris Denney's daughter), Dathia Lee (Daphne Smith's mother), Gabriel Martin (Lucille Martin's granddaughter), Lucille Martin, Priscilla McCormick, Virginia McDuffie, Gaynelle Moon, Sam Moser, Jason Norton, B.T. Phillips, Dotsy Reynolds, Jane Richardson, Bill Rohleder, Ray Scott, Ron and Hannah Shaw, William Sidebottom, Betty Smith, Kay Stewart, Jerry Thomas, Wayne Thorton, Charles Turner, Kay Vance, Kathy Yates, Kelly Wheeler, Tom Wheeler, Cathy Wilson, Cheri Wilson, Regina Witherspoon

**For Those Who are Mourning**

The Family of Margie Cannon, The Family of Steven Holder, The Family of Betty Mace (Randall Mace's mother), The Family of Bill Smith, The Family of Annie Ruth Hammonds, The Family of Linda Moore Sharpe

**For our Home-Bound and Assisted Living Members**

Beverly Crotts (Benson's sister), Jean Crouch, Kelli Gillis, Helen Goodman, Faye Herring, Bill and Ann Poe, Billy Reynolds

**For Those Who Serve Our Nation**

Charles Auman (Don and Virginia Auman's son), William Lunceford (Beth McQueen's nephew), Alec Rushing (Jerry and Connie Eteo's grandson)

**Other Prayer Needs**

The Roger Staley Bible Study at Morrison Correctional Institute, The People and Animals of Australia Suffering in the Fire, All First Responders

**Church Staff**

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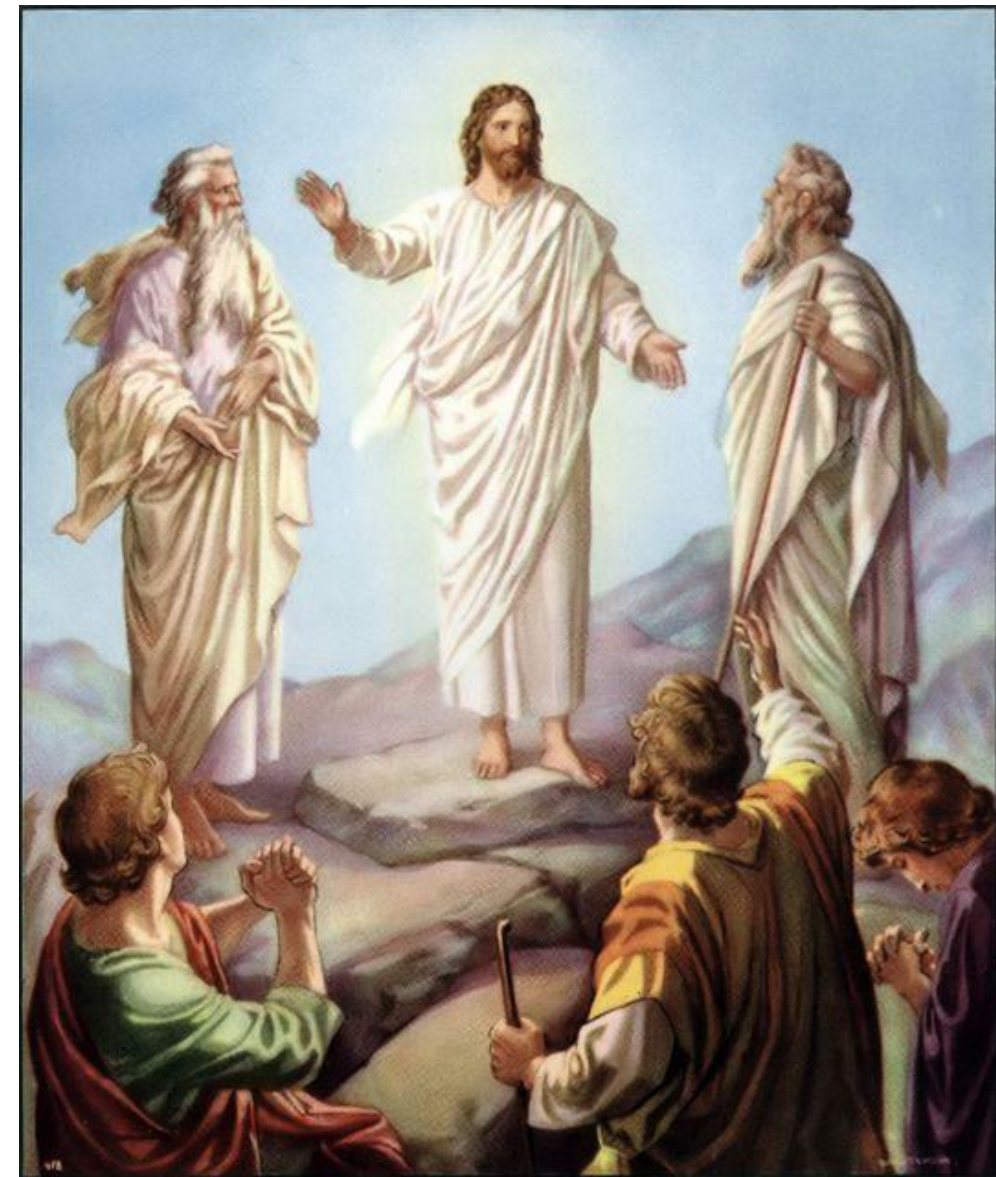
	<b>Presence</b>	
Sunday School:		48
Worship:		126

	<b>Gifts</b>	
<b>Operating Budget for 2020</b>		<b>\$473,600.00</b>
Operating Budget Needed to Date		\$65,845.64
Given to Date		\$62,484.00
Percentage Given		94.89%
<b>Amount needed each week to meet 2020 budget</b>		<b>\$9,406.52</b>
<b>Budget offering last week</b>		<b>\$11,964.00</b>
Pennies for Zoe (Total to Date Collected)		\$20,121.33
<b>Zoe pennies collected in December</b>		<b>\$2,096.00</b>

	<b>Servers for February 23</b>
<b>Ushers:</b>	Steve Webb Team
<b>TV Ministry:</b>	Duff Morse
	Ellyn Brannick
<b>Heat/AC:</b>	Hilton Haines and Jim Haines
<b>Crucifer:</b>	Shelby Diggs
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Bryson Walker and Haylee McCaskill
<b>Nursery:</b>	TJ Shaw
<b>Greeters:</b>	Jerry and Connie Eteo
<b>Soup Kitchen Leader:</b>	<b>Leone McLester and Shelia Webb</b>
<b>Hedge Prayer:</b>	Ladies Bible Class
<b>Sunday Morning Fellowship:</b>	This Sunday: Jeff Hughes
	Next Sunday: Glenn Alexander

<b>Calendar for February 23</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Feb 23</b>
9:30 am	Sunday School Fellowship
9:45 am	Sunday School for all ages
<b>10:55 am</b>	<b>Worship Hour</b>
<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Youth Pasta and Pastries Dinner Fundraiser, FH</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Feb 24</b>
10:00 am	First Place, BB
6:30 pm	Civitans, BB
<del>6:30 pm</del>	<del>Church Council, FH Rescheduled for March 2</del>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Feb 25</b>
10:00 am	Bible Study, Chapel
<b>5:00 pm – 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper, FH</b>
5:30 pm	Girl Scouts, BB
7:00 pm	God's Gorgeous Butterflies, BB
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Feb 26</b>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Richmond Cty Soup Kitchen</b>
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Wonderful Wednesday</b>
<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Feb 27</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Feb 28</b>
12:30 pm	Art Guild, BB
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Feb 29</b>

BB Bynum Building (400)  
CR Conference Room  
FH Fellowship Hall



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Sundays at 7:00 pm

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

**10:55 a.m.** February 23, 2020

*When the music begins, please prepare for worship in silent prayer and meditation.  
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!  
(\* Please stand as you are able.*

### ENTRANCE

GATHERING

WELCOME and Announcements Kelly Leak, Lay Leader

*Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship!*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *Praise the Lord!* Franck/Parks

OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN *O Worship the King* UM Hymnal, 73

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

\*AFFIRMATION *The Apostle's Creed* UM Hymnal, 881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he arose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, in now, and ever shall be, world without end.*

PSALTER from Psalm 99

**The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble!  
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake!  
The LORD is great in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the peoples.  
Let them praise your great and awesome name.  
Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.  
Extol the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the LORD our God is holy.**

CHORUS *More Love to Thee* Doane  
***More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!  
Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.  
This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to thee;  
More love to thee, more love to thee!***

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER UM Hymnal, 895  
**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.**

WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *There is a Higher Throne* Larson  
Chuck Wright, Baritone

\*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UM Hymnal, 95  
***Praise God from Whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S TIME Mary Griffith  
*(Children 4-10 years old are invited to Children's Church in Room 302.)*

LESSON Matthew 17:1-9

ANTHEM *Be Thou My Vision* Forrest

SERMON ***On A Clear Day***

RESPONSE The Covenant Prayer UM Hymnal, 607

**I am no longer my own, but thine.  
Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.  
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.  
Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,  
exalted for thee or brought low by thee.  
Let me be full, let me be empty.  
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.  
I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal.  
And now, O glorious and blessed God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.  
And the covenant which I have made on earth,  
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.**

### SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* UM Hymnal, 371

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*BENEDICTION *Go to the World* Dunstan

\*CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

\*POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune* Callahan

*The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in memory  
of Mary Ellen Kindley for her birthday by G.R. Kindley.*

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**TONIGHT...“Pasta and Pastries Dinner and Silent Dessert Auction” at 5:30 pm.** Donations will be accepted for dinner and a **Silent Action** will be held for the Cakes, Pies, and Desserts made by Famous Cooks from our area. You may bid and buy a dessert for your table or to take home! This is a youth fundraiser and all proceeds will go towards our youth trips and missions. **COME SUPPORT THE YOUTH FUNDRAISER !**

**THE TRUSTEES MEETING scheduled for Monday night has been RESCHEDULED for MONDAY, MARCH 2 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

**The United Methodist Men** invite everyone to **enjoy a pancake supper on Tuesday, February 25 from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm.** Drop in and eat or eat and hang around to fellowship with your church family! Either way, fatten up on Shrove Tuesday (or Fat Tuesday) before you begin your Lenten fast. **PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TOMORROW WITH YOUR NUMBER ATTENDING THE PANCAKE SUPPER.**

**REMEMBER ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE AT 6:30 pm on February 26.** Everyone is invited to attend.

**Have you thought of GIVING AWAY instead of GIVING UP for Lent?** Consider this.... each of the 40 days of Lent, prayerfully place an item that you are not using in a box or bag. At the end of Lent give the items to a local charitable organization. The items will be useful to someone else and will reduce the clutter you have.

**It takes a village (or a church)!** Our children's ministry team is looking for a part-time worker to care for our children on Sunday mornings. Also, we need a second person each Sunday to volunteer in caring for the kids on a rotating basis. The primary qualification is the willingness to love our children as God loves you. Please contact Mary Griffith at the office or Kate Layton if you are willing to serve or have recommendations.

**Circle 8 will meet on Wednesday, March 4 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are ladies are invited to attend.**

**See Michael W. Smith in concert on Sunday, April 5---**a trip is being planned to see Michael W. Smith in Indian Trail. **Tickets are \$25 and must be prepaid TODAY!** If you would like to go, see Mary Griffith to prepay for your ticket.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED in 2020 for the Richmond County Soup Kitchen!** FUMC is responsible for planning a meal, preparing, serving and cleaning up on the 4th Wednesday of each month. FUMC provides up to \$150 for the cost of the meal. Please contact the church office if you have questions or would like to volunteer for this mission project. Thank you to Leone McLester and Shelia Webb for taking the lead for February.