

FIRST UNITED CHURCH

320 East Hastings Street
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SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 1981

Ministers:

Rev. J. Cashore

Rev. M. J. V. Shaver

10:30 A.M.

Morning Worship

Organ Prelude: "Prelude and Air"

"Herzlich tut mir erfreuen"

H. Purcell

J. Brahms

Opening Words

Minister: The Lord was revealed on the mountain top.

People: The Lord is with us in the valley.

Minister: The Lord summoned Moses, the elders, and all the people of God.

People: The Lord summons us and we are here.

Minister: The Lord called Peter, and James and John.

People: The Lord calls us by name. Let us worship the Lord.

Hymn No. 26 (34) "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Prayer of Confession

Pardon

Ministry of Music

Hebrew Scripture Exodus 24: 12 - 18

Epistle Lesson II Peter 1: 16 - 21

Ministry of Music

Gospel Lesson Matthew 17: 1 - 9

Hymn "How Good Lord to be Here" (Tune - We Give Thee But

Thine Own)

How good, Lord, to be here!

Your glory fills the night;

Your face and garments, like the sun,

Shine with unborrowed light.

How good, Lord, to be here!

Your beauty to behold

Where Moses and Elijah stand,

Your messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past

And hope of things to be,

We hail your body glorified

And our redemption see.

ENSEMBLE

YOUTHS
CARRIES

WOOD
FACADE

Organists:

A.M. Mr. Peter Janson

P.M. Mrs. Eleanor Bush

Evening Broadcast

(Heard over CKWX at 8:00 P.M.)

7:00 P.M.

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn No. 16 (196) "God Reveals His Presence"

Invocation

Programme Identification

Ministry of Music Howdy Him, Alleluia - J.F. Leckmeier

Scripture Lessons II Peter 1: 16 - 21

Matthew 17: 1 - 9

Ministry of Music Shall We Gather at the River - Copland

Prayer and Lord's Prayer (sung)

Ministry of Music - I Shall Not be Moved - Alice Parker

Sermon IS ANYBODY LISTENING?

Rev. Jack Shaver

Prayer

Hymn No. 140 (471) "Art Thou Weary, Heavy Laden?"

Offering: Prayer, Offertory, Doxology

Announcements

Hymn No. 139 (403) "How Firm a Foundation"

Benediction

Organ Postlude

St. Denio

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today and invite

you to an informal coffee hour following both services.

Next Sunday

10:30 a.m. Ms. Bonny Smith

7:00 p.m. Rev. John Cashore

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BROADCAST

IS ANYBODY LISTENING?

Not all the churches in the wide group which ~~has~~ accepted the new lectionary, accept the same set of lessons for this Last Sunday before Lent.

Only some of them elect to call this Sunday the Transfiguration of our Lord.

We have elected to go with this arrangement of the Church Calendar without having any reason to do so.

3 authors of Gospels tell the story of the Transfiguration of our Lord on the Mountain, in the presence of Peter, James & John. Jesus garments radiant white. Cloud of Moses & Elijah.

Cloud envelops them a voice out of the cloud says This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased —

Hear ye Him —
— over the fright — passers only.

All 3 gospel writers

As Peter's recognition:

+ Predict his passion

+ He who follows ~~him~~ himself take up cross + follow me

* Coming in glory.

all 3 → followed with story of deranged lord →
failure of disciples to help.
glorification of enemies →

Epistle Reading →

Retelling of that story: →

Discusses in whose point seems
to be establishing the Authority of X
to ground Paul's faith solid place.

Readings

Side by Side:

Really clear what meaning the Transfiguration
story came to have for the Early Church.

It will always be hard to tell what the event meant
in the first place as distinct from what it
came to mean.

Witness the tradition that they weren't to tell anyone
about it →

It seems it never got talked about until after
the death & resurrection.

So it is with most Good meetings.

It leaves on us afterwards

what it was about. →

Clear ^{exp} ~~the~~ readings together.

Mountain Top → great & Wondrous

Things - for its own sake.

Good to meet God on Mountain Top.

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Good to have Mountain-Top experiences
of the Glory of God.

Point of it — Bear witness to Jesus.
So that You would bear Jesus Christ
P~~er~~ attention.

Not — Given some GLORY

→ GLORY = ZIP + ZING

But GLORY — IS IN JESUS CHRIST.

Sin BEARING → Transcendence
GOD'S GLORY IS

OBEDIENCE → not success —
no longer evade the real matter. Where GOD'S GLORY IS

SERVANT CHURCH: — { NEAR HIM
LISTEN TO HIM

what is it to → help to who needs help?

~~better off~~ better off — helps — less better off.
→ identify poor
outcasts
sinners }

SOLIDARITY →
"Mountain Top" for. hear Him

Another story about Hear Him

Franchise -

God Bless you Franchise,

you know better than that
"God only blesses those who please Him" →

Solid, solid thrust - that's what
God was like.

Herence of Basic Belief

- easy to understand her, in the word,
he came to that conviction.

Mountain Top.

This is my son Hear Him

Word which is X Jesus

- came on as God's Word.

What got serious - process

← Common This Mountain TOP

Transfiguration.

Further in spirit's house. -

pay attention to this as to a lamp
shining in a dark place until the
day dawns and the Morning star
rises in your hearts

And: you must understand that no prophecy of
scripture is a matter of our own interpretation
- * from one another as people reveal by H.C.
speaks from God.