

February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Transfiguration Sunday



The Federated Church of Paxton  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service



# Welcome to our guests!

Please take a minute to sign our guest book located at the back of the sanctuary.

## \*Doxology

### Sharing of Joys, News, Concerns

#### Opening Prayer

*2 Kings 2, Psalm 50, 2 Corinthians 4*

God of glory and wonder,  
you call us to come live  
in the radiance of your love.

We acknowledge our utter inability  
to understand the scope of your being.

At times we simply stand in awe and amazement.

But you summon us to be your faithful people  
as you shine your love into our hearts.

Give us the courage to pick up the mantle of hope.

Help us move forward, following the light of Christ,  
this and every day. Amen.

#### \*Prelude *"Melodie"*

Tschaikowsky

### \*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

#### \*Opening Hymn *"Arise, For Your Light Has Come"*

PH, #411

#### \* Call to Worship (*responsively*)

*2 Kings 2, Mark 9*

One: It's a steep climb up the mountain.

**All: God gives us strength for the ascent.**

One: The light is shining on the mountain.

**All: God opens our eyes to holy splendor.**

One: We don't know what to do on the mountain.

**All: God provides a guide and companions.**

One: We are ready to come out of the darkness.

**All: God calls us to live in the light!**

## Youth Moment

### Investment of Time, Talents & Treasures

#### Offertory *"I Love To Tell The Story"*

arr. Fischer

#### \*Hymn *"We Give Thee but Thine Own" (one verse)*

PH, #428

\*All who are able, PLEASE STAND

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

*Mark 9*

Awesome God,  
confronted by the dazzling light of your glory,  
we want to stay on the mountaintop and worship you.  
But you call us to do more than worship,  
you call us into action as your disciples.  
Through these gifts,  
may we shine the transforming light of your love  
into all the world.  
Use our worship, use our gifts, use our lives,  
in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**Prayer of Preparation**

Open our minds to truth that teaches.  
Open our hearts to truth that touches.  
Open our lives to truth that transforms.  
Amen.

**Lectionary Scripture** 2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

**Anthem** *"Reaching"*

Lister

**Gospel** Mark 9:2-9

**Message**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Response** *"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"*

**\*Closing Hymn** *"Transfigured"*

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**\*TAKING OUT THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**\*Benediction**

*2 Kings 2, Mark 9*

Leave this place today  
dazzled by the glory of our amazing God.  
Go down from the mountain to live in the light of Jesus Christ,  
God's own beloved Son.  
May the fire of the Holy Spirit  
blaze a transforming path into the world  
where you are called to serve. Amen.

**\*Postlude** *"Sarabande"*

Bohm

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Tuesday, February 21st**

March Newsletter Deadline

**Wednesday, February 22nd**

Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00pm

**Sunday, February 26th**

First Sunday of Lent

Knights Templar Service at 1:30pm

**Wednesday, February 29th**

Soup Supper & Devotion at 6:00pm

Youth Group at 7:00pm

Choir Practice at 7:00pm

*Birthdays & Anniversaries*

**February**

3<sup>rd</sup> - Russ & Nancy Taylor Ann.

6<sup>th</sup> - Eric Funk

9<sup>th</sup> - Laura Adkins

25<sup>th</sup> - Robin Niewold

26<sup>th</sup> - Kathy Swan

**Greeters Liturgists Ushers Elders**

**February**

Alan & Georgia Turner

Red & Laura Adkins

Kelly Williams

*Lord, We ask thanksgiving, comfort, healing  
and faith for these friends and family members*

Marcella Woodworth; Wayne Niewold;

Jeff Legener; Bill Cofel; John Lateer

*Homebound or in Nursing Homes*

Wayne Niewold - Heartland Healthcare, Paxton

Sue Moore - 1115 Harbers Lane, Apt 132, Metamora, Il 61548

Donald Rhodes

Jani Fraim - Room 219, GC Hospital & Health Center

Wanda Larson - La Canada Care Facility, Tucson, AZ

Marcella Woodworth - Prairie Village, Rantoul

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**For the month of February, please bring *canned vegetables, noodles,  
peanut butter, & cereal* for the Food Pantry.**

***As always, all non-perishable food items are welcomed.***

**Pastor Colleen Lawrence, Minister**

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