

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH
February 23rd, 2020
Transfiguration Sunday

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP Led by Vida Johnson
(inspired by Matthew 17:1-8, Mark 9:2-9, Luke 9:28-36, 2 Peter 1:16-18)

Leader: Beyond our busyness, above the cold winter floor there is a glory
rising born of heaven and reaching out to each one of us

**People: a light that shines through the clouds, an invitation seeking
all of who we are that transfigures the world**

Leader: that transforms darkness into hope, that brings life from a cross
where old life ends and new life is born

**People: In glory Jesus meets us here raising us from depths of valley
to the height of the mountain, carrying the weight of our
humanity to the heights of heavens glory.**

ALL: *Let us worship from the mountain and hear again*
"This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOW HAS GOD BEEN PRESENT IN YOUR LIFE THIS WEEK?

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN** "Christ, Upon the Mountain Peak" **UMH #260**

A PRAYER TOGETHER "Psalm 99" **UMH pg. 819**
Led by Vida Johnson

HYMN "Glory Be to the Father" **UMH #70**

SPECIAL MUSIC "Jesus on the Mountain Peak", arr: Weber

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

PRAYER TUNE *"To Know You More"* **TFWS #2161**

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** **UMH #94**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

THE GOSPEL READING *Matthew 17:1-9* **NT pg. 18**

HYMN OF PREPARATION *“Open My Eyes, That I May See”* **UMH #454**

SERMON *“Our Lenten Pilgrimage Begins”* Pastor Mike

***THE HYMN OF DEDICATION *"Shine, Jesus, Shine"* TFWS #2173**

*TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION**

*POSTLUDE

**Indicates that those who are able and comfortable doing so shall stand.*

***Please join us after worship downstairs in the
Dining Room for the monthly
Birthday Brunch.***

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Rev. Mike Kelly
Vida Johnson
Jean Tedrick

Pastor
Liturgist
Organist

SERVING YOU TODAY

Mary Molewski, Betty Lou Taynton, Rick Bostwick
Rusty Dye
Gail McIntyre, Pat Edger, Rusty Dye

Greeters
Head Usher
Ushers

IN MEMORY

In lighting the candle on the altar, we keep in our thoughts and prayers those who have gone before us.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers adorning the altar this morning are from the Memorial Service of Gary Dye.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE & LUNCHEON

Ash Wednesday falls on February 26 this year. Join us for a worship service at 12:00 noon, followed by a luncheon. All are welcome.

We will again have a Prayer Vigil on Ash Wednesday. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet what time works best for you. However, it is not necessary to pick a timeslot, as the sanctuary will be open for anyone who would like to pray/mediate.

SHROVE TUESDAY

Emanuel Lutheran Church (149 W. William St.) will host a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on Tuesday, February 25, 4:30-7:00 pm. Suggested donation is \$5/person; \$15/family; under 6 free. Proceeds of dinner will benefit Corning Meals on Wheels.

MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES

This year's mid-week Lenten service for the area Methodist churches will take place on Wednesdays, starting Feb. 26, at 7:00 pm. All services will be held at Presho UMC.

MEMBERSHIP CARE PROJECT

The Membership Care committee will continue to collect toiletries for WIC for the next week. Please bring in items such as: deodorant, combs, brushes, lip balm, hand lotion, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, shampoo, etc. (no razors please). With your help, Grace Church can extend our love of the Lord by filling this local need. Donations may be placed in the designated container outside of the Church Office.

LASAGNA DINNER

Grace Church's UMW will again host a Lasagna (take out only) Dinner on Thursday, March 26, 4:30-6:30 pm. The cost is \$10 for a delicious piece of lasagna, tossed salad, bread and brownie. Tickets must be reserved by March 22. See any UMW member for a ticket.

SPRING BAZAAR AND CRAFT SHOW

On Saturday, March 28, from 9:00-2:00 pm Grace Church will host our second Spring Bazaar and Craft Show. Come and check out the many vendors that will be here – you never know what you will find! If you would like to rent a table (\$20), please see Pam Kelly or Kathy to get an application.

MARCH'S SUPPER CLUB

March's Supper Club will be held on Saturday, March 14, at 6:00 pm at Fiesta Brava (84 E. Market Street, Corning). Please call Pat Edger (368-2726) to make a reservation.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Corning Community Food Pantry will host a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, March 7, 5-7 pm at the Corning American Legion (South Corning). The dinner will include spaghetti and meatballs, featuring sauce donated by Sorge's Restaurant, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Cost is \$10/person, eat in or take out. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. For more information, call 962-6750.

BREAKFAST WITH TIFFANY'S

Christ Episcopal Church (33 E. First St, Corning) will be hosting a Breakfast with Tiffany's on Saturday, March 7, with two seatings at 9:30 and 11:00. The cost is \$50 or a table for 8 for \$350. Reservations required. The proceeds will benefit restoration of the church's stained-glass windows. Enjoy an elegant breakfast, music, and a tour of Tiffany works led by Alexandra Ruggiero, Curator of Modern Glass at The Corning Museum of Glass. Nonrefundable tickets can be purchased by calling 937-5449.

NO TAP BOWLING TOURNAMENT

There will be a benefit for Craig Gallow (who we have been praying for) on Saturday, March 21, at 12:30 and 3:00 pm at Harborside Lanes in Watkins Glen. Cost is \$12/person, 4 person teams, reserved to the first 96 bowlers. Call 742-0043 or 546-7767 and leave a message to sign up. There will also be basket raffles, 50/50, and a drawing for a 4-wheeler. Please bring a snack to share.

UMW FOOD COLLECTION

The UMW has committed to aiding those in need by collecting items for the local food pantry. We encourage you to give canned goods and other non-perishable items each month. Your gifts may be placed in the cabinet located in the narthex. **Peanut Butter** is highlighted for February; soups for March.

FEBRUARY 23 – MARCH 1

- Sunday** 9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Birthday Brunch, DR
10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, L
10:45 AM Sunday School Classes
- Monday** 12:00 PM AA, 201
4:30 PM Finance, L
6:00 PM NA, DR
6:15 PM Girl Scouts, 204
- Tuesday** 9:00 AM WIC, DR
10:30 AM Audit, L
12:00 PM AA, 201
6:00 PM Adult Children of Alcoholics, 205
7:00 PM Harmonious Chorus, S
- Wednesday 8:00-2:00 Ash Wednesday Prayer Vigil**
12:00 PM AA, 201
12:00 PM Worship Service, S
1:00 PM Luncheon, DR
6:00 PM Boy Scouts, DR/RH
6:00 PM Bells, S
- Thursday** 12:00 PM AA, 201
- Friday** 12:00 PM AA, 201
6:00 PM NA, DR
- Saturday** 12:00 PM AA, 201
- Sunday** 9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship Hour, DR
 Hosts: Rick Bostwick, Betty Lou Taynton
10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, L
10:45 AM Sunday School Classes

DON'T FORGET

Have you signed the cards out in the Narthex yet? If not, please do so after service. The UMW does a terrific job sending cards to those who are ill, have lost a loved one, or are homebound. They have received many comments from the recipients that these cards are so welcomed and that they are so pleased to receive them.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

To share Joys and Concerns, please write on the Connection Card your prayer requests and/or joys at the beginning of the service. An usher will then collect the Connection Cards during the first hymn and put them on the altar to be lifted up in prayer. If you don't have a joy/concern this week, we ask that you still fill out the Connection Card with your name and hand it in during the offertory.

PRAYER LIST

Please take a look at the prayer list and military list below. If you know of anyone that can be taken off the list, please let the church office know. Thank you.

IN OUR PRAYERS: The names in parenthesis are those requesting the prayers.

Sangho Chu (Hyung Lee), Irene Church, The Clark Family (Rusty Dye), Amy Dernier (Hyung Lee), Pete Fratarcangelo, Sandy Gardner (Sandy Bartos), Eric Gustafson (Rick Bostwick), Bill Habelt (Betty Breuilly), Marie Harding (Doris Bempkins), Peter Johnson, Anne Martin (Pat Edger), Tom & Shirley Nellis, Dan O'Connell, Jeff O'Connell, Dr. Park (Hyung Lee), Lorraine Smith, Brian Strong (Sandy Bartos), Victoria Walrath, Stefani Weiskopff (Hope Johnson), Nakita (Sandy Tubbs), Lois (Helen Fisher)

IN OUR HEARTS: Cards and calls are always appreciated.

Absolut Care (Three Rivers): Dagmar Cedar, Edith Holmes

Appleridge: Fran Toby

Bethany: Diane Hilliard

Brookdale (Green Meadows): Nora Jungquist

Corning Center For Rehabilitation & Healthcare (Founders): Mason Bennett

THOSE IN THE SERVICE: Lt. Commander Chase Johnson (Navy, Helen Mattison), Nick Stead (Marines – currently in Iraq)