

## SILENT MEDITATION

“The new heavens and new earth are not replacements for the old ones; they are transfigurations of them. The redeemed order is not the created order forsaken; it is the created order – all of it – raised and glorified.” Robert Farrar Capon

## GREETINGS AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign Attendance Pad)

**PRELUDE** *Good News ! The Chariot's Comin'* arr. L. Larson

**INTROIT** *Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart* arr. M. Parks

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Renea Schomer

**L:** Let us give thanks!

**P: Our God has bent down and fed us.**

**L:** Like a mother, God has held us;

**P: Our God has calmed and quieted our fear!**

**L:** Like a father, God has forgiven us,

**P: And removed our sins from us!**

**L:** Bless God's holy name!

**P: And forget not all God's benefits.**

+\*HYMN #190 *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory*

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

## +\*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Help us, O God, for we have become sickened by the "ladder-climbing virus" that has infected our minds and spirits, our homes and our holy sanctuaries. By the touch of your Spirit make us immune to this "success-excess" disease running rabid among us. Help us hold fast to you, O Lord, and serve you by attending to the needs of others in a world dying for your touch. Empower us, Holy Spirit, to discern the difference between self-serving motives hidden within good intentions and true sacrifice which entails daily dying to self. In the name of Jesus, with whom we seek to be as one. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S CHAT

## SENDING OF JOHN LAHL TO CAMBODIA

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2018 Pledge Envelopes:** Today is the last day the offering envelopes will be in the **Workroom**. After today, please see Jan Fritzsche.

**Serve Our Community:** Volunteers are needed at **Love In the Name of Christ** to help answer phones and perform light clerical work. Call Janice or Michele at 216-459-0302 if you can help. Volunteers are also needed at the **Parma Hunger Center** to help with stocking and serving clients. Please call Dale or Gloria at 216-351-6376 if you can help.

**Lenten Fish Fry Dinners:** Mark your calendars and spread the word! **February 23, March 9 and March 23.** Cost is \$10 per person. Dinner will be served 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM. *We are also looking for cooks and service help. If you can help out, please contact Michell at 216-440-1685.*

**Food Sunday:** Food Sunday is coming up on **February 25.** The Mission Team is accepting donations of snack bars, snack packs, granola bars, (non-refrigerated) pudding, crackers, cookies, etc. Please place all items in the **clear tub** located outside of the Church Workroom.

**Annual Meeting:** Our annual congregational meeting will be held after the morning service on **February 25.** Let's celebrate together what God has accomplished in our midst during the past year.

**A Call To Prayer:** Join Rev. Mark on **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM** now through the end of April. He will be using the letter to the Church of Ephesus to lead us into various ways of praying. **Next meeting February 28.**

**Easter Lilies:** If you would like to order an Easter Lily, the cost is \$10 per plant. **Orders are due by March 9.**

**Book Review Group:** Book Review meets again on **Wednesday, March 14** at 11:00 AM. Please join us as Jean Williamson will discuss John Grisham's book, *Camino Island*.

### 2018 Committee Chairs

Worship: Renea Schomer

Mission: Dick Cooper

Property: John Lahl

Finance: Katie Kolthoff

Discipleship/Life Group/VBS/Sunday School: Pam Nash

Fellowship/Communications/Special Events: Robyn Bryson

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

### Sunday, February 11 Transfiguration Sunday

10:00 AM – Worship Service

11:15 AM – Life Group – Parlor

### Monday, February 12

9:30 AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library

7:00 PM – Life Group – Parlor

### Tuesday, February 13

8:30 AM – Men's Bowling – Rollhouse Parma Bowling

10:00 AM – Historical Society Archiving – Multi-Purpose Room

10:00 AM – Ruth-Naomi Circle - Parlor

### Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday

9:30 AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library

10:30 AM – Al-Anon – Multi-Purpose Room

3:00 PM – Life Group – Parlor

7:00 PM – **Ash Wednesday Service**

### Thursday, February 15

8:30 AM – Men's Bowling – Rollhouse Parma Bowling

9:30 AM – Parma South Quilters

6:00 PM – Carillon Choir – Bell Room

7:00 PM – Chancel Choir – Sanctuary

### Saturday, February 17

12:00 PM – Perogie Making Day - Kitchen

### Sunday, February 18 Lent Begins

10:00 AM – Worship Service

11:15 AM – Life Group – Parlor

11:30 AM – P.W. Coordinating Team – Parlor

4:00 PM – Messy Church

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Today's Ushers:

Maryellen Bechler, Walt Burgdorf,  
Tony Indovina, Donna Loeb, Mary  
Walker

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering Sentence

Offertory *Yes, My Jesus Love Me* arr. M. McDonald

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN #274 *You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd*

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 9:2-13 N.T. page 44

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Cleaning the Whites"

\*HYMN #192 *Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Go, My Children, with My Blessing* GTG #547

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone

Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

POSTLUDE *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot* arr. J. Raney

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The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of

*Josephine M. Folvarsky & James M. Presley*

*Barbara Abbott*

Chancel Flowers are placed in Loving Memory of

*Edmund Balph*

by Donna Loeb

*Prayers and condolences to the family of Betty Kramarz,  
who passed away on January 31, 2018.*

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## "CLEANING THE WHITES"

February 11, 2018 Mark 9:2-13

Life Group Study Guide

### Notes from Worship Service

1. The Transfiguration is really a retreat within a retreat story. What does this event hold for us today?
2. The transfiguration experience gave the disciples hope. It let them know everything was going to be okay because God was with them.
3. The second proclamation of the transfiguration is it affirmed Jesus is the Messiah.
4. We need the transfiguration because we spend a great deal of energy trying to transform Jesus instead of allowing him to transform us.
5. The third thing the transfiguration does for us is to confirm that God is still at work, and consequently, as followers of Jesus, so should we be at work. Get on with it! And if you are wondering what work that is; it is transformation.

### Life Group Homework

1. What insight, principle or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.
2. Tell of something that amazed you during this past week.
3. Why do you think God give us mountain top experiences?

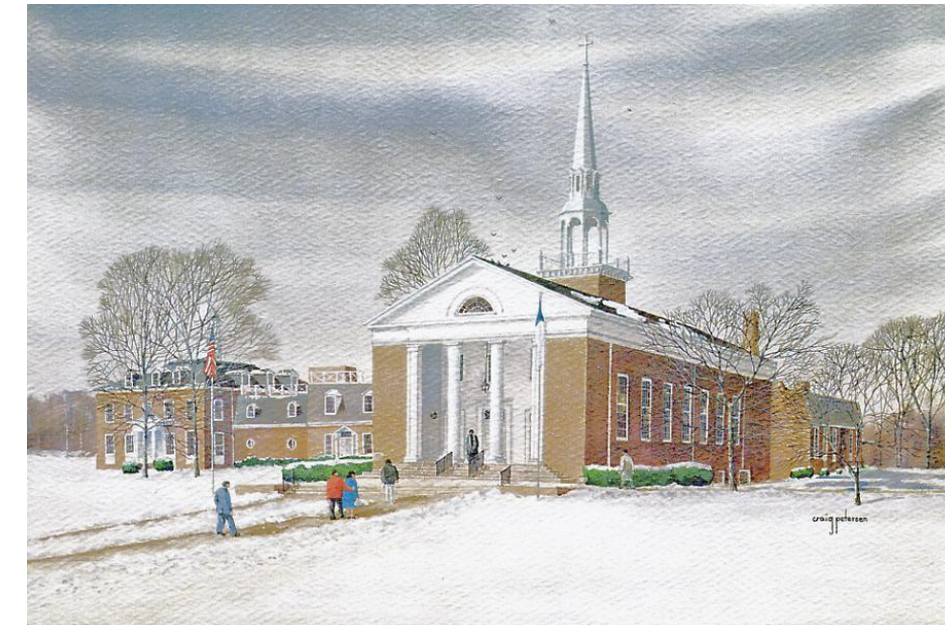
### Read Mark 9:2-13

4. Why does Jesus command the disciples to keep the transfiguration quiet until after his resurrection?
5. How do you practice listening to Jesus?
6. How does the transfiguration change your image of Jesus?

**Life Practice – Pray this week by imagining yourself standing before the transfigured Jesus. Note how this shapes your prayer life.**

# Parma-South Presbyterian Church

*Changing lives through Christ*



February 11, 2018

Transfiguration Sunday

2018 Theme Verse

“And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together.” Hebrews 10:24-25a

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