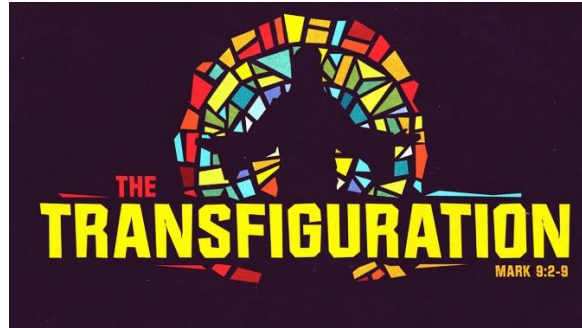




**CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BROCKTON, MA



February 11, 2024

10:00 am

*\*AN ASTERISK IN THE BULLETIN INDICATES THAT ALL FOR WHOM IT IS COMFORTABLE SHOULD RISE FOR THAT PART OF THE SERVICE\**

## **RINGING OF THE CHIMES**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Moriah Park

## **\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

'Spirit'

No. 249

## **CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: From the rising of the sun to its setting

**People: God speaks to us and summons us.**

Leader: God gathers us in covenant,

**People: God's glory shines forth.**

**ALL: Let us worship God together!**

## **OPENING PRAYER<sup>1</sup>**

## **\*PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE<sup>1</sup>**

**ALL: Mighty God, you call to us and summon us to live in covenant and walk in righteousness, yet we forsake your covenant and walk in ways of injustice, ignorance, or disdain. Your beauty shines forth in creation, yet we abuse and tarnish what you have created. May we be willing to do the hard thing: may we see what is happening. May we see what we do. Renew us. Let us receive a double portion of your renewing spirit. Amen.**

## **\*WORDS OF GRACE<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: God's glory shines forth, and God judges with grace and with mercy. God gives us renewed life and our spirits rise.

**ALL: Alleluia! Amen!**

## **\*SUNG RESPONSE**

'Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters' (vs. 1)

No. 365

**SCRIPTURE**

**Mark 9:2-9**

<sup>2</sup> Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and brought them to the top of a very high mountain where they were alone. He was transformed in front of them, <sup>3</sup> and his clothes were amazingly bright, brighter than if they had been bleached white. <sup>4</sup> Elijah and Moses appeared and were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Peter reacted to all of this by saying to Jesus, “Rabbi, it’s good that we’re here. Let’s make three shrines—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup> He said this because he didn’t know how to respond, for the three of them were terrified.

<sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice spoke from the cloud, “This is my Son, whom I dearly love. Listen to him!” <sup>8</sup> Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them not to tell anyone what they had seen until after the Human One had risen from the dead.

**SERMON**

Pastor Jeff Kardisco

**MUSIC FOR REFLECTION**

Alex Green

*During this time, we invite you to embrace the transition from hearing the word to gathering ourselves in prayer by taking a moment for quiet reflection either in your pew, or by coming forward to light a candle to give light to the prayer(s) on your heart that have no words to be expressed.*

**Come and Light a Candle...**



**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE PRAYER OF JESUS** *(in unison)*

**Our Creator (Father) who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kin-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**CALL FOR OFFERINGS<sup>1</sup>**

<b>OFFERTORY</b>	'Soon and Very Soon'	(Crouch/Schrader)
<b>*OFFERTORY RESPONSE</b>	'We Call Ourselves Disciples' (vs. 4)	No. 357
<b>PRAYER OF DEDICATION<sup>1</sup></b>		
<b>HYMN</b>	'Transform Us'	No. 182
<b>BENEDICTION</b>		
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	'Celebration'	(Lasky)

**Participating In Today's Worship Service:**

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco, Senior Pastor  
Alex Green, Music Director  
Susannah Thornton, Soloist  
Dani Kardisco, Christian Education Director  
David Wilcox, ASL Interpreter

<sup>1</sup>Perdew, Rev. Stephanie. "Transfiguration Sunday B - February 11." *United Church of Christ*, 19 Jan. 2024, [www.ucc.org/worship-way/transfiguration-sunday-b-february-11/](http://www.ucc.org/worship-way/transfiguration-sunday-b-february-11/).

Spirit

*Unison* D G A D Bm

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tie - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness,

E A D G A D

call - ing and free, Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,

Bm G A D G D *Fine*

stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

D G A G

1. You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the  
 2. You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the  
 3. You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a  
 4. You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient

WORDS and MUSIC: James K. Manley, 1975  
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D Bm

deep, sand, hill, schemes, then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the and you gift - ed your peo - ple with a then you whis - pered in si - lence when the from the bond - age of sor - row the

E A D G A

val - leys of sleep, and o - ver the e - ons you law and a land, when they were con - found - ed with whole world was still, and down in the cit - y you cap - tives dream dreams; our wom - en see vi - sions, our

G D Bm

called to each thing, i - dols and lies, called once a - gain men clear their eyes, "A - wake from your slum - then you spoke through your proph - when you blew through your peo - With bold, new de - ci -

G A D G/A D A *D.C. al Fine*

bers and rise on your wings, ets to o - pen their eyes. ple on the rush of the wind. sions your peo - ple a - rise.

# 365 Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

Unison

1. Wash, O God, your sons and daughters, new-born creatures of your  
 2. Ev - 'ry day we need your nur - ture; by your milk may we be  
 3. O' how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - i - mag - ined, all your

womb. Num - ber them a - mong your peo - ple, raised like  
 fed. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of  
 ways! To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our

Christ from death and tomb. Weave them gar - ments bright and  
 bless - ing, liv - ing bread, God, re - new us; guide our  
 lives we wor - ship, praise! We your peo - ple stand be -

spark - ling; com - pass them with love and light. Fill, a -  
 foot - steps; free from sin and all its snares, one with  
 fore you, wa - ter - washed and Spir - it born. By your

WORDS: Ruth Duck, 1987, rev. 1993 BEACH SPRING  
 MUSIC: Attr. B. F. White, 1844; harm. James H. Wood, 1958 67.87D

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noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light.  
 Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs.  
 grace, our lives we of - fer. Re - cre - ate - us; God, trans - form!

# Open My Eyes, That I May See 586

1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou  
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic-es of truth thou  
 3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad-ly the warm truth

hast for me; place in my hands the won-der-ful key  
 send-est clear; and while the wave-notes fall on my ear,  
 ev-ery-where; o - pen my heart and let me pre-pare

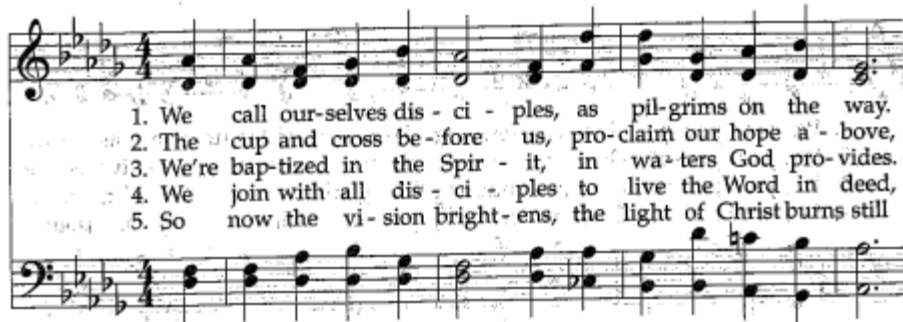
*Refrain*

that shall un-clasp and set me free.  
 ev-ery-thing false will dis-ap-pear. Si-lent-ly now I  
 love with thy chil-dren thus to share.

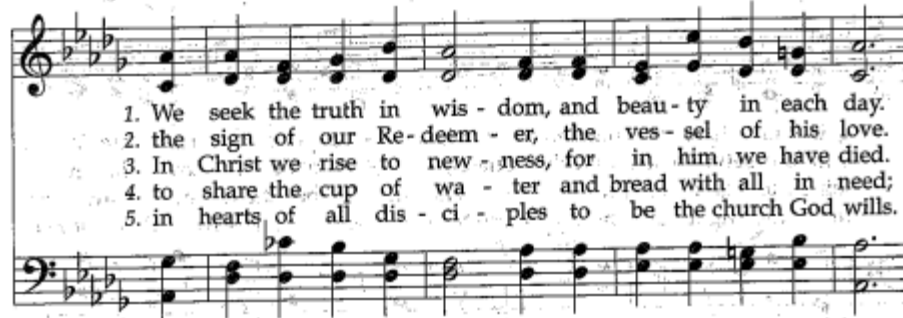
wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy will to see.

O - pen my eyes,  
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!  
 O - pen my heart,

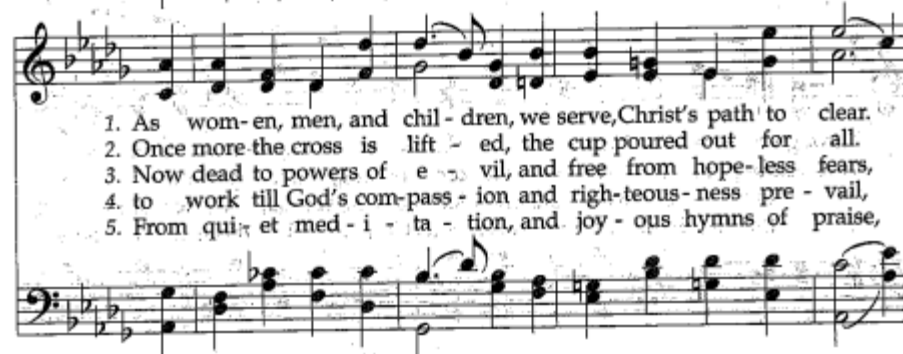
## We Call Ourselves Disciples



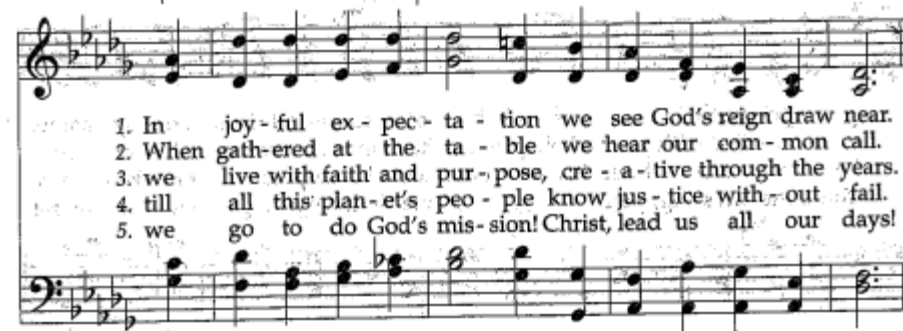
1. We call our-selves dis - ci - ples, as pil-grims on the way.
2. The cup and cross be-fore us, pro-claim our hope a'-bove,
3. We're bap-tized in the Spir - it, in wa-ters God pro-vides.
4. We join with all dis - ci - ples to live the Word in deed,
5. So now, the vi-sion bright-ens, the light of Christ burns still



1. We seek the truth in wis - dom, and beau - ty in each day.
2. the sign of our Re-deem - er, the ves - sel of his love.
3. In Christ we rise to new - ness, for in him, we have died.
4. to share the cup of wa - ter and bread with all in need;
5. in hearts of all dis - ci - ples to be the church God wills.



1. As wom-en, men, and chil-dren, we serve, Christ's path to clear.
2. Once more the cross is lift - ed, the cup poured out for all.
3. Now dead to powers of e - vil, and free from hope-less fears,
4. to work till God's com-pass - ion and righ-teous-ness pre - vail,
5. From qui-et med-i - ta - tion, and joy - ous hymns of praise,



1. In joy - ful ex - pec - ta - tion we see God's reign draw near.
2. When gath-ered at the ta - ble we hear our com-mon call.
3. we live with faith and pur - pose, cre - a - tive through the years.
4. till all this plan-et's peo - ple know jus - tice, with - out fail.
5. we go to do God's mis-sion! Christ, lead us all our days!

WORDS: Jim Miller, 1984  
MUSIC: Henry T. Smart, 1836

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## Transform Us

*Unison*

1. Trans - form us as you, trans - fig - ured, stood a - part on  
 2. Trans - form us as you, trans - fig - ured, once spoke with those  
 3. Trans - form us as you, trans - fig - ured, would not stay with -

Ta - bor's height. Lead us up our sa - cred moun - tains,  
 ho - ly ones. We, sur - round - ed by the wit - ness  
 in a shrine. Keep us from our great temp - ta - tion—

search us with re - veal - ing light. Lift us from where we have  
 of those saints whose work is done, live in this world as your  
 time and truth we quick - ly bind. Lead us down those dai - ly

fall - en, full of ques - tions, filled with fright.  
 Bod - y, cho - sen daugh - ters, cho - sen sons.  
 path - ways where our love is not con - fined.

WORDS: Sylvia Dunstan, 1989  
 MUSIC: Traditional French melody (17th century); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

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