

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

Service of Worship • Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024 • 10:55 AM

TOWER BELLS

GATHERING

WELCOME

Rev. Mick Raynor

WELCOME STATEMENT

Katelyn MacDonald

As our Lord Jesus Christ calls us to love and accept every person, Duke Memorial United Methodist Church welcomes into our life together those of every age, race, ethnic background, nationality, gender identity, sexual orientation, family or socioeconomic status, educational background, and physical or mental ability. In our commitment to the reconciliation of all persons as beloved children of God, we celebrate our diversity and recognize the sacred worth and dignity of all. We invite you to join us in our faith journey toward discipleship in Christ with mutual respect, understanding, and love.

PRELUDE

Bethany Bells, Frank Brown, director

With Timbrel and Dance

Margaret R. Tucker

CALL TO WORSHIP

Katie Diaz, Pastoral Intern

Jesus said, “Come to me, all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads.”
(Matthew 11:28)

So we come, with all our weariness and wariness.

Our weariness with injustice.

Our weariness with polarizing politics.

Our weariness with a world that seems determined to be hostile rather than welcoming.

Our wariness of what it might mean to truly live out our call.

Our wariness of how vulnerable our desire for openness might make us.

Our wariness of how safe it is to trust where trust has so often been misplaced.

Come, prophets, and find not just rest for your souls, but channels for your rage.

Amen.

—*Liturgies from Below* by Claudio Carvalhaes

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Katie Diaz, Pastoral Intern

Kathy Byerly Searles | October 26, 1958 - February 4, 2024

*OPENING HYMN

UMH (red) 64 | Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

NICAEA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Katie Diaz, Pastoral Intern

**God, we do not understand Jesus, the prophet.
We do not want to get our hands dirty and our hearts messy with the poor,
the oppressed, the prisoners.
Forgive us for being insulated and isolated.
Open our hearts to whomever we other.
Help us to love them as you love them,
working to bring in the good news of the reign of God.**

silence for personal confession

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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Glory to God. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Greet one another with signs of reconciliation and love

The peace of Christ be with you, **and also with you.**

PROCLAMATION

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Jennifer Ingold Asbill

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

*GOSPEL LESSON | LUKE 4:14-30 CEB

This is the Gospel of our Lord. **Glory to God. Amen.**

SERMON

Rev. Mick Raynor

** Please rise as you are comfortable*

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Katie Diaz, Pastoral Intern

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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Rev. Mick Raynor

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Madison Burch, Church World Service

OFFERTORY

Bethany Bells, Frank Brown, director

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

arr. Kevin McChesney

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Katie Diaz, Pastoral Intern

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN

UMH 62 | All Creatures Of Our God and King, v. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7

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*BENEDICTION

Rev. Mick Raynor

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE

Fred Mason Jr., guest organist

Toccatà on "Great Day"

A. Hailstork

Epiphany Star Word Tree: The tree to the left of the pulpit is decorated with wooden stars with words written on them. If you have not received your Epiphany Star Word, we invite you to pick a star off this tree that can act as a theme word for this year.

Prophet Tree: Along with our Prophet sermon series, you are invited to answer the question: *“How are you being called to shine your prophetic light into God’s world?”* Reflect and write your answer on a star from the altar rail and hang your star on the prophet tree on the right.

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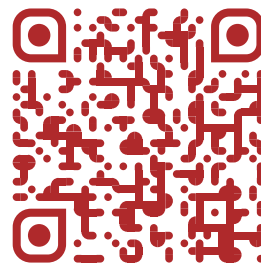
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Fidget baskets are located on either side of the altar rail and in the narthex. These are offered for children and adults who learn best when their hands or bodies are moving or who can listen more attentively when their other senses are engaged. Feel free to use a fidget or two at any point during worship and then return them to the basket at the end of service. Additionally, there is **“Pray Ground”** space in front of the pews on the right side of the sanctuary. This is space in the sanctuary for our worshippers of all ages and stages. Feel free to let your child play in this space as they participate in worship.

New? Tell Us More | We value building relationships across lines of difference, shared hobbies, passions, talents, and seasons of life. We hope to connect with you and one another inside and outside the church building. We encourage you to take time to fill out the connect card, explore our Spiritual Formation groups, ministries for children and youth, and our ministries designed to connect the church to the world through service.

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