

✠ OUR PRAYER LIST TODAY ✠

L: Lord, in Your mercy,

P: **Hear our prayers!**

All those living with cancer—Jana Lou Scott, Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, Linda Stengl (& spouse Gerald), John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Jimmy Parker, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Craig Dobrinski, Garry Howard, Ronnie Schulz, Danny, Rev. Larry Masoner, Jimmy Cole, John Fleming, Ricky Ray (father of Ty Ray), Holly Winters, Lambert Dunn (father of Jamie Sisson), Curtis Adkins (bro. of Cindy Penner), Bobby Cornelson, Betty Osmus, Kristi Lamle, 34 y/o son of Terry Turner, Michael Chase (Lisa Clay's bro.), Troy Lee, Roy Ford, Hanson Sisson (Bob's bro.), Gloria Loken.

Joys & Concerns—Family of Bill Townsend (Nic's father in Altus); Rose Ratcliffe; Betty Osmus (stroke, OKC hospital); John Harris cured of cancer; Brent Webb (deployment); Carol Wright (shoulder surgery recovery); all those suffering with the flu & related illnesses; Chase Family; Lisa Clay (health issues); Vernel Snider & Donna Taylor (continued recovery); Cherie Payne (Brookdale); Michael Roulet (blood clots, son of Carolyn & Darrell); Beverly Pachey; continued healing for Bryan Baxter's arm; Joyce Hamburger; Janis Lovell; all state & world leaders/God's wisdom; Wanda Avant (returned home this week); Kaye Zimmerman (mother of Shauna Rhoads); Mary Statser; Max Leonard W'FORD L. C. #305; All care-givers serving loved ones; Kenny & Karen Day (parents of Kim Blanton); Jon Blanton & family (son of David & Kim Blanton); Joy Blanton; Archer George; Jeanne Rookhuyzen; Bray Jarvis; Kirk Milligan; Kamdyn Taunton; those with addictions/mental illness/depression; Jason Mills; James Ediger (heart rehab); Armando; all those incarcerated and their families.

**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

Weatherford, OK

February 11, 2018

8:30AM & 10:30AM

Transfiguration Sunday--Green

Liturgists: Roger Penner (8:30AM);

Logan Doyals (10:30AM)

✠ Please Stand As You Are Able

❖ 10:30AM Service Only

I. GOD'S FAMILY ENTERS INTO WORSHIP

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S CHILDREN FOR WORSHIP

You are invited to light a candle at one of the Prayer Stations, located at the far ends of the Chancel railing.

Servant Leader Opportunities Please View the Screens

Gathering Chimes . . . Let the people enter into silence
Greeting & Opening Prayer

Prelude "Wondrous Love" Samuel Barber
Marti Bessinger, organ

Words of Welcome
✠ "Feet and Greet" (*Let's get out of our seat, move our feet, and greet our sisters & brothers in Christ.*)

❖✠ Gathering Song W. & S. No. 3059
"Love Has Come" (v. 3 only)

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP
The glory of God is too great for you to bear. **We are not afraid. We will not turn back.** Come then, and worship our God, who took Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind. **We will worship the Lord, who transfigured Moses, Elijah, and Jesus to shine like the sun.**

✠ THE PROCESSIONAL
Hymn of Praise U.M.H. No. 371
"I Stand Amazed in the Presence" (vv. 1, 2, 4)
Lighting of the Altar Candles & Lifting Up the Cross

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Together, let us confess . . . **God of mystery, the mountaintop seems so far away as we stand in its shadow. Will we see Your presence in the whirlwind? Will we see the fiery chariot connect heaven and earth? Will we even have the courage to look up? Will we inherit a double portion of spirit from those who brought us up in the faith? May it be so, O God. May it be so. AMEN.**

❖ ANTHEM "Children of Light" Travis Boyd
Chancel Choir; Maxine Page, director; Sophia Lee, piano

II. GOD'S FAMILY HEARS & RESPONDS

❖ 3-M (Mini-Methodists Moment) Ruth Boyd
As children enter the Chancel, **ALL SING** . . . W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]
As children return to their seats, **ALL SING** . . . W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]

OLDER TESTAMENT LESSON II Kings 2:1-12

❖✠ HYMN OF PREPARATION W. & S. No. 3038
"Mighty To Save" (both vv.)

✠ THE GOSPEL LESSON Mark 9:2-9
"Behold, the wisdom of God's Word!"
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

✠ GLORIA PATRI U.M.H. No. 70

THE HOMILY "An Unveiled Gospel: Looking Up and Moving On" Rev. Brack

THE RESPONSE Psalm 50:1-6 See Lectionary Insert

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE

LIFTING UP OTHERS IN OUR PRAYERS
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD U.M.H. No. 895
❖ "The Lord's Prayer" (page 3, choral version) W. & S. No. 3070

III. GOD'S FAMILY GIVES THANKS

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Diapason Piece" Samuel Wesley
Marti Bessinger, organ
❖ "O, How I Love Jesus"
Children's Church Chimers; Marti Bessinger, director

✠ DOXOLOGY U.M.H. No. 94
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION OVER OUR GIFTS
Together, let us pray . . . **Light of Light, when we grow accustomed to dwelling in the shadows and painting with drab colors, You bless us with Your radiance and the vitality of Your love. Illumine these gifts, Holy One, that the world may see Your light shining through our offering. Illumine our very lives, O God, that we may remain restless until we shine like Christ upon the mountain, until we follow Elisha's footsteps and behold Your glory. AMEN.**

IV. GOD'S FAMILY IS SENT INTO THE WORLD

✧ HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP U.M.H. No. 173
"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky" (all 3 vv.)

✧ COMMISSION and BLESSING

Go forth with the courage to climb the mountain of God. **We will walk in the light and truth of Christ.** Go forth with ears to hear the voice of God. **We will hear the call to follow Jesus.** Go forth to live as people who shine with Christ's glory. **We will leave footprints of light as we walk.** Go forth in expectation and hope, for God goes with you.

Amen? **AMEN!**

✧❖ PARTING SONG & RECESSIONAL W. & S. No. 3063

"If I Could Visit Bethlehem" (vv. 1 & 3) **We will walk in the light and truth of Christ.**

If I could visit Bethlehem what presents would I bring?
If I could see what happened then, and say, "I'm glad you've come."
I wouldn't take a modern toy but gold to pay for bread,
Some wine to give His parents joy and wool to warm His bed.

I'd say, "He'll never hurt or kill, and joy will follow tears.
We'll know His name and love Him still in twenty hundred years."
I cannot visit Bethlehem but what I can, I'll do:
I'll love You, Jesus, as my friend, and give my life to You.

POSTLUDE "O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair!" William Knapp
Marti Bessinger, organ

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal-low-ed be your
name. Your king-dom come, your will be done on earth as in
heav - en. Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For -
give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a -
gainst us. Save us from the time of trial and de -
liv - er us from e - vil, for the king - dom, the power, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er.



A man had two sons.
And he went to the first and said,
"Son, go and work in
the vineyard today."

MATTHEW 21:28

TODAY, FEBRUARY 11th . . .

. "Fellowship Coffee" time in the Fellowship Hall today, 9:30AM to 10:15AM. Thanks to the Genesis Class for hosting!

. The UMW "Country Store Planning Committee" will meet today, 2-4PM, in the Inquiry Classroom.

. Committee Work Areas meet this evening at 5:30PM, followed by our Leadership Team meeting in the Neonate Room at 6:30PM.

. Life Line Health Screening sign-up for Thursday, March 1st. See your pink insert.

Coming Up . . .

. Our Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes Service will be at 7PM this Wednesday.

--Our Lenten Bible Study, "Thy Will Be Done," will meet beginning next Sunday, Feb. 18th, 4PM. Student books = \$5. Sign-up at the Welcome Center.

--Each household is invited to get a Lenten Special Offering Folder—dollar-a-day for 40 days.

--Get your Lenten devotional booklet today.

--Youth and adults are encouraged to pick up and wear your purple Lenten wrist band, along with your St. Francis prayer card.

. Cimarron District Lay Servant Training Event (Basic & Advanced)—February 16th & 17th, Woodward Faith UMC. Registration brochures at the Welcome Center.

. Sign-up at the Welcome Center if you would like to serve as a Liturgist in either service, or as a Holy Communion Server in the 10:30AM service.