

terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Sermon** Rev. Sharon Carter

### Responding in Faith

#### Affirmation of Faith

*Apostles' Creed, ecumenical* p.14

#### The Service of Giving

Prayer of Dedication Offering Music

**+Response** *Gloria Patri* #577

#### Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

Let us now lift our hearts to God in prayer for the concerns of the world, the church and our lives:

For the creation that surrounds us...

#### Hear our prayers

For leaders and those who are led...

#### Hear our prayers

For those who live lives of violence...

#### Hear our prayers

For those who seek lives of peace...

### Notes

#### Hear our prayers

For those who feel alone...

#### Hear our prayers

For those who suffer mental and physical ailments...

#### Hear our prayers

For those of our community who have been named in this place...

#### Hear our prayers.

#### Moment of silence.

L: We are your people, O God, trusting in you to hear and answer our prayers.

**P: May our joys and sorrows find their way into your heart, O God, and may all who suffer be comforted; may all who hunger and thirst be filled and all who trust in you find peace. Amen.**

#### Going into the World

**+Hymn** *Farewell Good Friends* #537

#### +Charge

#### +Benediction

#### +Postlude

MISSION



FELLOWSHIP

WORSHIP



THE BODY OF CHRIST



Community of Faith Presbyterian Church

February 11, 2018

+Stand as you are able

*Leader reads plain type, Congregation reads bold*

## Preparing Ourselves

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ candle

## +Call to Worship

L: God is coming! God is with us!

**P: The same God who makes the sun rise and set.**

L: Our God is not silent—God calls to heaven and earth, appraising God's people.

**P: The Lord gathers the faithful, while the heavens declare God's righteousness.**

## +Opening Prayer

Let us pray: **Holy and loving God, accept our worship and prayers as we seek to be your people in the world. Direct our thoughts to be always on you and bless us with insight into your ways. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray: *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.***

***Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.***

**+Hymn** *My Life is in You, Lord*  
STF2032

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Let us pray: **God of mercy and forgiveness, you call us to be your people and to be witnesses to the healing power of Christ's love and grace for all of creation. Yet we are charmed by worldly powers and are lured by their shininess into believing we are gods ourselves. Have mercy on us, O God; help us to remember that you are the true**

**What do you think Paul means when he says "our gospel is veiled?" How could it become unveiled?**

God and true power is found in the gospel of Jesus Christ. (moment of silence)

## Assurance of Forgiveness

L: In Jesus Christ we are all forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

**P: In Jesus Christ we are all forgiven.**

Thanks be to God! Amen.

**Song** *Come & Fill Our Hearts* 2x #2157

## The Peace

L: As God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another: the Peace of Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

**Anthem** *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name – Fetke*

(Based on Psalm 8)

## Hearing the Word

### Prayer for Illumination

**Feed us today, O Lord, on the bread of your word that we might be nourished and restored in body and spirit. Amen.**

## Scripture Readings

**2 Corinthians 4:3-6** And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we

**If you close your eyes and imagine the new creation, what do you see? Do you ever see hints of the new creation in real life?**

do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**Hymn** *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding* STF2103

## Mark 9:2-9 The Transfiguration

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were