

**Transfiguration Sunday**  
**Tend the Light**  
19 February 2023

Prelude		Roger Hintzsche
Welcome		Sheryl Sawyers
Mountaintop Experience 1		Sheryl Sawyers
	<i>Moses: Exodus 24:12, 15-18</i>	
Call to Worship		Sheryl Sawyers
Hymn of Transformation	“God, Whose Grace...”	CCS 570
Prayer of Invocation		Jean Hedrich
Response		Roger Hintzsche
Mountaintop Experience 2		Stan Ratcliffe
	<i>Peter, James, and John: Do Not Be Afraid!</i>	
Hymn of Transformation	“Open My Heart”	CCS 171
Prayer for Peace		Bob White
Mountaintop Experience 3		Katie McClellan
	<i>Eyewitnesses of Christ’s Glory</i> <i>2 Peter 1:16-21</i>	
Hymn of Transformation	“God of Dawn”	CCS 51
Message		Jayne Ackley
Special Music	“Your Ways”	Jude Vickery
Focus Moment	Tend the Light	Sylvia Elrod
Disciples’ Generous Response		Janiece Bollie
Hymn of Mission	“Bring Forth the Kingdom”	CCS 387
Closing Prayer		Sheryl Sawyers
Postlude		Roger Hintzsche

## **God Whose Grace Redeems Our Story, CCS 570\***

God, whose grace redeems our story; God, whose love has held us fast,  
in our times of joy or sorrow, your forgiveness frees our past.

Written in our hist'ry's pages are those times we've spent with you,  
when we've found your Spirit working to transform our lives anew.

God, the author of this instant; God, whose voice is present tense,  
help us love as you have loved us and forgive without defense.

For your mercy marks this moment, all abiding, boldly true,  
plant your Spirit deep within us to transform our lives anew.

God, who calls us to the future and invites us from this place,  
may the language of our witness use an alphabet of grace.

Weave your healing peace and justice through the vision we pursue.  
Let your Spirit work within us to transform our lives anew.

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## **Open My Heart, CCS 171\***

Open my heart to what you know so I can stretch, so I can grow.  
My feelings toss me to and fro; open my heart to what you know.

Open my eyes to what you see to understand what I should be.  
My feelings get the best of me; open my eyes to what you see.

Open my ears to what you hear so I can keep you very near.  
My feelings make it so unclear; open my ears to what you hear.

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## **God of Dawn, Each Day's Renewal, CCS 51\***

God of dawn, each day's renewal brings the world into your light  
as your sun defeats the shadows, drives away the darkest night.  
We would greet this new beginning as your call to start again;  
lead us on with hope and courage, make your will and purpose plain.

Christ, you walked the world as we do, knew its human pain and loss  
as your love broke through the barriers, by your death upon the cross.  
We still speak your gospel message, though two thousand years have gone;  
help us now translate its meaning in this present world of wrong.

### ***God of Dawn (CONT)***

Holy Spirit, inspiration, light and truth and root of prayer,  
as your challenge moves us forward, taking us we know not where,  
we will follow your direction, though the way may not be clear.  
Shape us, change us, recreate us, so the future holds no fear.

Praise to God, who spoke creation, giving life to time and space.  
Praise to Christ, whose living presence showed the world your human face.  
Praise the Spirit, daily witness to your ever-loving way.  
Take us now and re-awake us, challenge us to use this day.

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### **Bring Forth the Kingdom, CCS 387\***

You are salt for the earth, O people: salt for the kingdom of God!  
Share the flavor of life, O people: life in the kingdom of God!

*Bring forth the kingdom of mercy; bring forth the kingdom of peace;  
bring forth the kingdom of justice; bring forth the city of God!*

You are a light on the hill, O people: light for the city of God!  
Shine so holy and bright, O people: shine for the kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people: bring forth the kingdom of God  
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice, grow in the kingdom of God!

We are a blessed and a pilgrim people: bound for the kingdom of God!  
Love our journey and love our homeland: love is the kingdom of God!

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