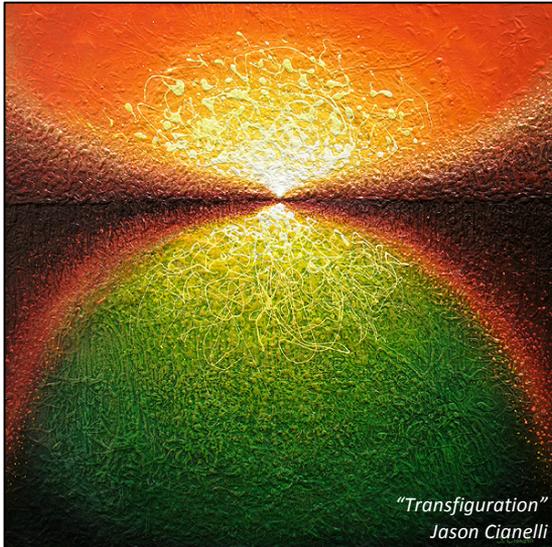


# Calvary

## United Methodist Church

*A Reconciling Congregation*



*"Transfiguration"*  
Jason Cianelli

*"... Moses did not know that the  
skin of his face shone because  
he had been talking with God."  
- Exodus 34:29*

**February 27, 2022**  
Transfiguration Sunday

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

## Black History Month

### GATHERING

**Prelude:** "This Little Light of Mine" (*Odetta, with Seth Farber and the Holmes Brothers*)

### **Welcome / Announcements**

#### Announcements

- **Worship Volunteers**
  - sign up at [tinyurl.com/worship-help](http://tinyurl.com/worship-help)
- **Lectionary Discussion Group** and **On Being Discussion Group** (*both online and ongoing*)
  - contact Pastor Tim to sign up, or with any questions

#### Calendar

**Today, 8-9 pm:** Spiritual Reflection Group (*weekly during Lent, beginning Mar 6*)

- info at [allmeansall.org/srg](http://allmeansall.org/srg)

**Monday, Feb 28, 7:30-8:30 pm:** Book Study – See No Stranger (*weekly through Apr 4*)

- info at [allmeansall.org/adult-ed](http://allmeansall.org/adult-ed)

**Tuesday, Mar 1, 12-1 pm:** Midweek Prayer (*weekly*)

- info at [allmeansall.org/faith-spirituality](http://allmeansall.org/faith-spirituality)

**Wednesday, Mar 2, 7-8 pm:** Service of Ashes (*hybrid*)

- info at [allmeansall.org/lent](http://allmeansall.org/lent)

**Sunday, Mar 6, 11:15 am:** Hybrid Worship, with Communion (*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent*)

#### Visiting With Us?

We're glad you're here, for whatever reason you chose to join us! We invite you to fill out a Visitor Form at

**[allmeansall.org/visitors](http://allmeansall.org/visitors)**; for those worshiping in person, someone will share a form with you during the service. We strive to make our worship space (in person and virtual) as welcoming and accommodating of different

needs as possible. If you have any concerns or questions regarding accessibility, please contact Pastor Tim.

### Calvary Email List

If you're not on the Calvary email list and want to be, or think you are but aren't seeing emails from us, please contact the church office ([office@allmeansall.org](mailto:office@allmeansall.org)).

**Singing Our Way In:** "Halle, Halle, Halleluja" (TFWS #2026, traditional Caribbean, with additional lyrics)

Halle, Halle, Halle – lu – ja! (3x)

Halleluja! Halleluja!

You are the Source of life, we worship you . . . (3x)

You are the Source of love, we thank you . . . (3x)

### **Breathing Our Way In / Breath Prayer**

**Call to Worship** (Thom Shuman, adapted)

One: We gather as the faithful of God, we come to listen to what God has to say to us.

**ALL: God has invited us to this place; may our faces reflect our hopes and our hearts.**

One: We gather as the faithful of God, people of the ongoing covenant of hope and promise.

**ALL: We boldly enter into the presence of God, hoping to be renewed and transformed.**

One: We gather as the faithful of God, our fears melting away in the heart of God.

**ALL: We come to share in the freedom of God's Spirit. We come to praise God's holy name. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Opening Hymn:** "Lift Every Voice and Sing" (UMH #519, tune: J. Rosamond Johnson / lyrics: James Weldon Johnson)

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,  
ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,  
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith  
that the dark past has taught us;  
sing a song full of the hope  
that the present has brought us;  
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,  
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet  
come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way  
that with tears has been watered;  
we have come, treading our path  
through the blood of the slaughtered,  
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,  
keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places,  
our God, where we met thee;  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine  
of the world, we forget thee;  
shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,  
true to our God, true to our native land.

## **Passing the Peace**

One: The peace of God be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

## **CENTERING**

**Community Prayer** *(Roddy Hamilton)*

May we give way to glory, O God. May we let your light  
tangle with our lives, that we may see what you see in us.  
May we see what you see, a love born in eternity that

finds a home in our souls; a word that lifts itself from page into life and tells a story of unfolding love. A vision that brings past and future together and offers all as present; a wisdom born of generations, where time nurtures the longing of the faithful, hoping this will be the generation that breaks it open.

May we see what you see. May we give way to glory and dare its splendor, to rekindle our faith and transfigure our lives, and the world with them. Amen.

## Silent Prayer

## Special Music

### Scripture Lesson: Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. **30** When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him.

**31** But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. **32** Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

**33** When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; **34** but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with (the LORD), he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, **35** the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with (the LORD).

## Choral Alleluia

## **Scripture Lesson:** Luke 9:28-43a

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. **29** And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. **30** Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. **31** They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. **32** Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. **33** Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" – not knowing what he said.

**34** While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. **35** Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

**36** When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

**37** On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. **38** Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. **39** Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him.

**40** I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." **41** Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." **42** While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed

the boy, and gave him back to his father. **43a** And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

One: The word of God for the people of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## **Choral Alleluia**

**Sermon:** "Light Revealed, Light Reflected"

**Hymn of Response:** "Transform Us" (*tune: UMH #626, traditional French / alternate lyrics: Sylvia Dunstan, altered*)

Transform us as you, transfigured,  
stood apart on Tabor's height.  
Lead us up our sacred mountains,  
search us with revealing light.  
Lift us from where we have fallen,  
full of questions, filled with fright.

Transform us as you, transfigured,  
once spoke with those holy ones.  
We, surrounded by the witness  
of those saints whose work is done,  
live in this world as your Body,  
(partners in your kindom to come).

Transform us as you, transfigured,  
would not stay within a shrine.  
Keep us from our great temptation –  
time and truth we quickly bind.  
Lead us down those daily pathways  
where our love is not confined.

## **SHARING**

**Offering our Tithes and Gifts / Offertory**

**Prayers of the People / Joys and Concerns**

"Thanks be to God" or "God, hear our prayer"

**Prayer Response** (*tune: UMH #408, traditional English / alternate lyrics: John Pritchard*)

O Open Arms, now hold our cares,  
the aches we've named, the joys we've shared.  
And hold us, too; into us breathe –  
your grace, your life, let us receive.

**Closing Hymn:** "May You Run and Not Be Weary" (*alternate tune & refrain: UMH #525, Charles Albert Tindley / lyrics: TFWS #2281, Paul Murakami and Handt Hanson*)

May you run and not be weary.  
May your heart be filled with song.  
And may the love of God continue  
to give you hope and keep you strong.  
And may you run and not be weary.  
May your life be filled with joy!  
And may the road you travel always lead you home.

Refrain

*By and by, when the morning comes,  
when the saints of God are gathered home,  
we'll tell the story how we've overcome,  
for we'll understand it better by and by.*

**ENGAGING**

**Benediction**

**Singing Our Way Out:** "Let the Church Say Amen"  
*(Andraé Crouch)*

Let the church say, "Amen" (*repeat*)  
God has spoken, let the church say, "Amen"

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