ORDER OF WORSHIP
February 14, 2021
Transfiguration Sunday

Hopewell UMC has a vision to be a community of hope for a hurting world.

**Mission Statement:** We are a home for ALL people to be transformed by the love of God and grow in mind, body, and spirit.

**Our Core Values:** Worship. Learn. Serve. Love.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**
Leader: The Lord has called you here this day.

**People:** Lord, reveal to us your purposes for us.

Leader: Open your hearts to receive God's good news.

**People:** Lord, make us ready to serve you.

Leader: Come, let us worship God!

**People:** Let us sing our praises to the Almighty One. Amen.

**OPENING PRAYER:**
Almighty God, giver of life, your light shines in our lives and your glory is revealed through your Son, Jesus Christ. Reveal his glory to us as you did to Peter, James, and John, that we may be filled with his power and our mouths may proclaim his presence forevermore. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN:**
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
UMH #64
CHILDREN’S MOMENT
PASTORAL PRAYER
LORD’S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Old Testament: Psalm 50:1-6 (NRSV)

The Acceptable Sacrifice

A Psalm of Asaph.

1
The mighty one, God the Lord,
   speaks and summons the earth
   from the rising of the sun to its setting.

2
Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
   God shines forth.

3
Our God comes and does not keep silence,
   before him is a devouring fire,
   and a mighty tempest all around him.

4
He calls to the heavens above
   and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

5
“Gather to me my faithful ones,
   who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

6
The heavens declare his righteousness,
   for God himself is judge. Selah
New Testament: Mark 9:2-9 (NRSV)

The Transfiguration

2 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, 3 and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. 4 And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. 5 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.” 6 He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. 7 Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” 8 Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus. 9 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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION:  What Does the Lord Require of You  TFWS #2174

SERMON:  Back to Basics: Social Holiness  Rev. Laura Steele

OFFERING

CLOSING HYMN:  Shine, Jesus, Shine  TFWS #2173

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE