

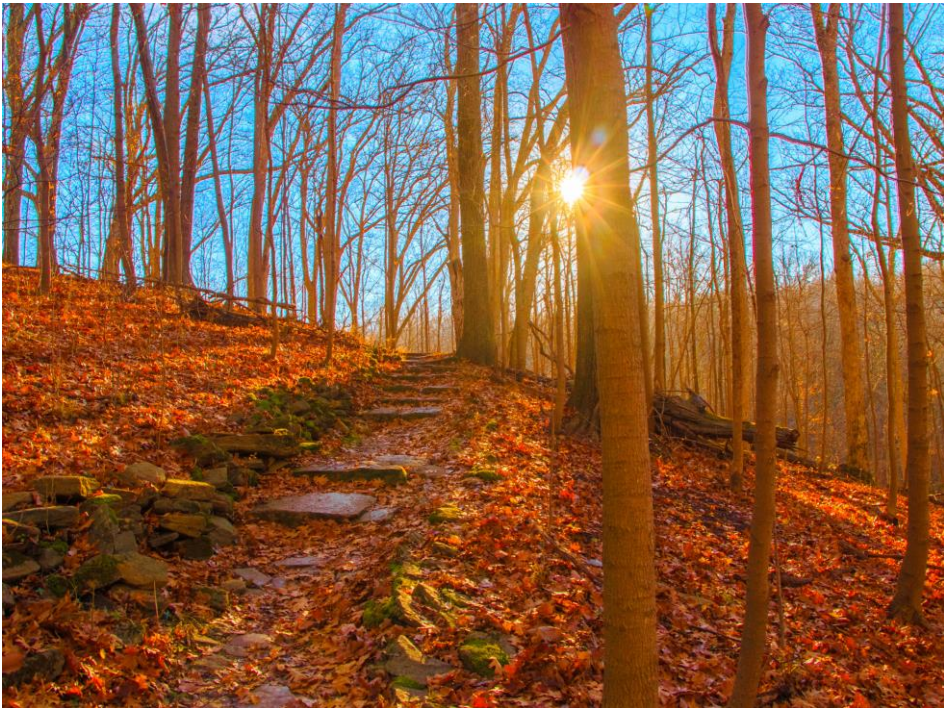
THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF PLAINVILLE

Founded in 1840

A Congregation of the United Church of Christ

A “God is Still Speaking” Church

No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.



**The Order of Morning Worship
Transfiguration Sunday**

March 3, 2019

10A.M.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The temptation to live where we are comfortable is overcome by our obedience to follow Jesus in order that God's kingdom is made real in our world.

* All who are able may stand

GATHERED TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reverend Donna Cassity

INTROIT

CENTERING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS ON GOD

Bringing in the Light of Christ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Something drew us together this morning,

Something we can't name but which we experience in worship

Some holy mystery we call God,

Some sacred calling we hear in the life of Jesus

Some indescribable hope we feel when we gather in the Spirit,

**May our experience of the Divine transform our doubts and fears
and prepare us to love the world.**

*OPENING HYMN

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

NCH #182

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (*Please remain Standing*)

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Peter, James, and John went up on the side of a mountain with Jesus and experienced glory. But then Peter wanted to stay. "It's good for us to be here. Let's get comfortable."

We are also often tempted to keep the experience of the Divine to ourselves, to enjoy the company of the saints instead of going back down the mountain to continue the work of the Kingdom of God.

God knows this temptation of our hearts, so let us confess and pray for forgiveness.

God of glory and light, forgive us when we are complacent and comfortable with keeping the riches of your love to ourselves. Keep calling us down from our mountains of privilege. Keep expecting more of us as your disciples. Keep reminding us to listen to your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Whether we hear a voice from the heavens or a still small voice in our hearts, listen carefully for the love of God. Believe and accept God's love and live in God's freedom.

We believe! Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

PH #513

Glory be to the Father [Creator], and to the Son [Christ], and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

MESSAGE OF CHRISTIAN CONCERN

Lynnette Astolfi

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE

THE GOSPEL

Luke 9:28-43

pg. 69

*CENTERING HYMN

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

NCH #173

SERMON

Bring the Light with You

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

*Let Us Break Bread Together
(the children come up from Sunday School)*

NCH #330

INVITATION

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

Here Is Bread ~ Chancel Choir

G. Davis

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Breaking of the Bread
The Pouring of the Cup

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

Please take the bread when you receive it and hold the cup to share together.

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We have been fed, Holy One, by your presence. We have been led, Eternal One, by your light. May we bask in this glow, now and forevermore. Amen.

RESPONDING TO GOD’S LOVE

INVITATION TO SHARE
THE OFFERTORY

Shine, Jesus, Shine ~ Chancel Choir

G. Kendrick

*DOXOLOGY

NCH #780

Praise God for whom all blessings flow. Praise [God] all Creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father [Creator], Son [Christ], and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bless these gifts, we pray. May they represent just the beginning of our journey to show forth your glory to the world. Amen.

SCATTERED TO SERVE

Carrying Out the Light of Christ into the World

*CLOSING HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

NCH #1

*BENEDICTION

May God now send us back down the mountain of our worship. We have been changed. We can't be silent anymore. We have seen the Light of the World. Go and share the radiance of love!

Amen.

POSTLUDE

We hope you received God's comfort, insight and inspiration through worship, prayer and song that carries with you through the week.

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***Thank You this morning to:***

Deacon in charge: Dave Ryan

Trustee in charge: Chris Johnson

Greeters: The Rodriguez Family

Ushers: Lynnette & Renny Astolfi

Nursery caregiver coordinated by: Donna Blanchard

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

|                   |                   |                                                                       |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sun (3/3)</b>  | <b>10:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Worship ~ Communion</b>                                            |
|                   | <b>11:30 a.m.</b> | <b>Trustee Committee Meeting (Library)</b>                            |
|                   | <b>1:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>CT Rose Society (Kelsey Hall)</b>                                  |
|                   | 7:00 p.m.         | Center Stage Jazz (Kelsey Hall)                                       |
| Mon (3/4)         | 7:00 p.m.         | NA                                                                    |
|                   | 10:00 a.m.        | Al-Anon                                                               |
|                   | 6:30 p.m.         | Zumba (Kelsey Hall)                                                   |
| Tues (3/5)        | 10:30 a.m.        | AA                                                                    |
|                   | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Christian Education Meeting</b>                                    |
|                   | 7:00 p.m.         | AA                                                                    |
| Wed (3/6)         | <b>6:30 p.m.</b>  | <b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>                                          |
|                   | 7:00 p.m.         | NA                                                                    |
| Thurs (3/7)       | <b>1:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Coffee Hours (Dunkin' Donuts)</b>                                  |
|                   | 6:30 p.m.         | Girl Scout Meeting (Library)                                          |
|                   | 7:00 p.m.         | NA                                                                    |
| Fri (3/8)         | 7:00 p.m.         | NA                                                                    |
| Sat (3/9)         | 6:30 p.m.         | NA                                                                    |
| <b>Sun (3/10)</b> | <b>10:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Worship ~ Rev. Bob Naylor</b>                                      |
|                   | <b>11:30 a.m.</b> | <b>All-Church Revitalization Kick Off<br/>&amp; Pot-Luck Luncheon</b> |
|                   | 5:00 p.m.         | R.I.                                                                  |
|                   | 7:00 p.m.         | NA                                                                    |

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***In our Prayers this week, we remember:***

Eleanor Kordes, Frank Manafort (Justin Manafort's uncle), Keebler, Erin (Nancy Simone's sister-in-law), Harriet (Vicky Stilwill's grandmother), Billie (Robin Anderson's mother-in-law), George Fensick, Illinois shooting victims, friends who are grieving, Daryl Rudnick, Carlos Lopez, Mary Shear (Deanna Hoxie's mother), Donna (Steve Cote's sister), Zenuh Family, Mike (Deanna Hoxie's co-worker), Joseph's family (Rinette Yanez's cousin), Ana Mae Vaillant (Eleanor Kordes's sister), Nancy, Karen (Robin Anderson's friend), Chip & Allie, Rev. Chris & Carol Horvath, Antonio Casiano, Julie Little (Sandy Dombroski's daughter), Charlene Archambault, Cliff Carlson, Scott Carpenter, Joan Dante, Bertha Dickman, Charlotte Karabin, Gordan McCann, Tommy McCormack, Leslie Urbanski, ***and the families and friends of:*** Dorothy Nodine (Pam Christiansen's cousin), Pauline Fangiullo, Jeff Romano, Alice Figeroa, Joyce Lagana, Jill Samperi, Frances Maxwell, ***as well as members and friends serving in the military:*** Spencer Pelletier, Renny Astolfi Sr., James Palmer, Mark Terrill, Ryan Steikers, Shawn Ellis & Quinn Coughlin.