

Evangelical United Church of Christ
 33 South Ellis Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri
 February 22, 2009
 Transfiguration Sunday
 [*Those who are able are invited to stand]

PRELUDE

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CHORAL INTROIT #217
 "Holy Ground"

*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.*

*HYMN OF ADORATION #3
 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

INVOCATION

LEADER: Let us pray.
 ALL: *Holy God, upon the mountain you revealed our Messiah, who by his death and resurrection would fulfill both the law and the prophets. By his transfiguration enlighten our path that we may dare to suffer with him in the service of humanity and so share in the everlasting glory of him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.*

PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

LEADER: Let us pray as Christ our Savior has taught us.

Prayer List
 February 22, 2009

In case of hospitalization or surgery please notify our church office. When being admitted to a hospital be sure to tell them that you are affiliated with this congregation. * indicates a new request. *Please note: after six months names will be removed from the prayer list, unless an update is made to the church office.*

Joyce Abernathy; 10-08	Dana McClard; 12-08	Ratliff Nursing Home
Leo Amelunke; 11-08	M.D. McMillan; 08-08	Polly Wilmsmeyer
Marilyn Amelunke; 11-08	David Metcalfe; 02-09	Fountainbleau Lodge
Ruby Bock; 01-09	*Ester Nussbaum	Alta Proffer
*Loyd Bollinger	Andora Peetz Family; 01-09	Lutheran Home
Ian Bolton; 10-08	Travis Rister—Iraq; 09-08	Dorothy Cole
"Red" Clifton; 08-08	Bob & Nora Lee	Viola Geiser
Darline Dow; 01-09	Seabaugh; 09-08	Frank Maevers, Sr.
Lexi Edwards; 11-08	*Meta Siemers; 02-09	Leonard Moore
Aleene Ellinger; 10-08	Marshall Whitworth; 08-08	Auburn Creek
Dean & Carolena	Bonnie Wilkening; 01-09	Irene Orlando
Galloway; 11-08		House Bound
Joan Hope		S.G. Coy
Ernie Jordan; 11-08	Please Remember	Mary Huckstep
Ida Mae Jordan; 11-08	Our Friends at Home	Kenny Mehrle
Jane Juergens; 09-08		Helen Owens
Anita MacDonald; 09-08		
Frank, Jr & Ame		
Maevers; 09-08		

Financial Report	General Fund	Memorial General Fund	Memorial Fund	Misc.
2-01-09	\$690.00	---	---	\$73.00
2-08-09	\$1,908.00	---	---	\$56.00
2-15-09	\$755.00	---	---	\$32.00
2-22-09				
Worship	Attendance	Scholarship Fund	Total	Offering
2-01-09	24	---	2-01-09	\$763.00
2-08-09	?	---	2-08-09	\$1,964.00
2-15-09	?	\$10.00	2-15-09	\$897.00
2-22-09			2-22-09	

Welcome first time guests! **We're glad that you are here!** We invite everyone to complete a Communication card (located on the Information Table) and place it in the offering plate. You are important to us and we want to know that you are here.

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Pastor	Pastor Daniel Johnson
Pastor Emeritus	Rev. Ernest Jordan
Organist	Beverly Reece
Sound System	Terry & Mindy Best
Diaconate	Kaye Lee
Greeters	Dorothy Klein
Reader	
Ushers: Randy Coy, Michael Bodine, Bob Roloff, and Lori Siebert	

ASAP Rummage Sale

Please bring your items for the rummage sale to the lower auditorium. Come to the church Thursday, March 5th to help price items and set up for the sale. Thanks for helping our ASAP Youth Group.



Lenten Meal Schedule

February 25	Diaconate
March 4	Friendship Circle
March 11	UCC Group
March 18	Board of Christian Ed.
March 25	Church Council
April 1	?
April 9	Casserole Pot Luck

Please call the church office to reserve your date for Lent.

On the Calendar

Feb 22 Sunday Worship, 10:35 AM
 Jamaican Meeting, 3:00 PM
 Feb 25 Ash Wednesday
 Diaconate Lenten Meal
 Meeting w/ Diaconate members
 Following meal & service
 Elfrink—gym, 5-6:30 PM
 Open Gym, 7:30 PM
 Mar 1 Fellowship Time, 9:00 AM
 Adult Bible Study, 9:30 AM
 Sunday School, 9:30 AM
 Sunday Worship, 10:35 AM
Communion Sunday
 Mar 4 Lenten Meal, 5:30 PM
 Friendship Circle
 Mar 5 Mary-Martha, 1:30 PM
 ASAP Set up for Rummage Sale
 Mar 6 World Day of Prayer
 Mar 7 ASAP Rummage Sale, 8 AM-1 PM
 Mar 10 Friendship Circle, 7:00 PM

ALL: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

PSALM 50:1-6

The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken;
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God reveals himself in glory.
 Our God will come and will not keep silence;
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.
 He calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of his people.
 "Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."
 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause;
for God himself is judge. Hallelujah!

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

LEADER: O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

READING OF SCRIPTURE

II Kings 2:1-12	Page 570
II Corinthians 4:3-6	Page 1797
*Mark 9:2-9	Page 1567

SERMON —Pastor Daniel Johnson
“Listen to him!”

ANTHEM
“Peace like a River” —Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

LEADER: Let us pray. At this moment, O God, as we call to mind Peter, James, and John standing with Jesus, Elijah, and Moses remind us that often our temptations come not at low moments in the valley of the shadow of failure, but rather temptation occurs as we stand on a mountaintop of triumph. At the moment of our ascendancy, we too often forget that it is only by your grace that we live and move and have our being. In the rarefied air of our self-assured victories we congratulate our shrewdness. Alas, we too regularly forget your grace, mercy, and wisdom. O God, save us from building dwellings in which we want to live, whose foundation is merely of human pride and folly. Let us see your handiwork in all creation as we move toward Ash Wednesday and Lent. **In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*PASSING THE PEACE

LEADER: We come to this place as strangers and leave as friends. Let us share the Peace of Christ with our neighbors. The peace of God be with you.
PEOPLE: And also with you.

*SONG OF PRAISE #431
“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

CALL TO OFFERING

LEADER: Heavenly Sovereign, every good and perfect gift comes from your **gracious hand. Inspire us to share your blessings with others in Jesus’ name.**
PEOPLE: Amen.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #815

*ALL SING: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

LEADER: Holy One, we seek your wisdom and guidance. Many people face growing economic uncertainty. The realities of the recession close in on our lives. We experience realities such as job loss, deflated investment accounts, increased grocery prices, delayed retirement plans, and mounting debt. Lift us from the depth of self-pity and despair. Save us from overwhelming fear and anger. Free us from the bondage of money. We place this money upon your altar as a gesture of our trust in you. Despite challenging financial times, we give out of our love and gratitude for your kingdom. In Jesus’ name, we pray. *Amen.* [Mark 9:2-9]

*HYMN OF PARTING #562
“Be Thou My Vision”

*BENEDICTION

PASTOR: Get ready to serve the Lord. Go in peace and joy, sharing the good **news of Jesus’ transforming love and power for all. AMEN.**

CHORAL EXTROIT
“Where the Spirit of the Lord Is”

POSTLUDE