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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **Reverend Cheryl Montgomery**
PRELUDE *Praeludium BWV 857–J.S. Bach* Benjamin Watkins, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP Elder Alejandra Haddad, liturgist

Liturgist: The glory of God shines like a consuming fire.

People: **We have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**

Liturgist: The voice of God thunders like a mighty storm.

People: **Out of the cloud, God speaks: This is my beloved Son; listen to him!**

***Opening Hymn** *Morning Has Broken* #469



PASSING OF THE PEACE (liturgist & congregation)

Liturgist: The one who said, “Let light shine,” has shone in our hearts and illumined our lives with knowledge of the glory of God through the face of Jesus Christ. Let us share this grace and peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

MUSIC for MEDITATION *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory* Members of the UPC Quartet

Call to Confession (Liturgist)

Jesus said: Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not come to light. Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION(in unison with the Liturgist)

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Liturgist: The one who calls light out of darkness now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Litugist)

God of shining splendor, your voice makes the earth tremble in wonder. Overshadow us with your Spirit so that we may hear your Word and live as faithful disciples and covenant people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: *2 Corinthians 4:3-6* (Pew Bible p.881; Large Print p.1779) – Liturgist

Second Reading: *Psalms 50: 1-6* (Pew Bible p.429; Large Print p.1112) – Liturgist

Gospel Reading: *Mark 9: 2 - 9* (Pew Bible p.772; Large Print p.874)–Pastor

Pastor: The word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

SERMON *What to Do When We Don't Know What to Do* Reverend Cheryl Montgomery

*Hymn *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* #462

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—** The Apostle's Creed (traditional) led by Rev. Montgomery
I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri #579

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and The Lord's Prayer Reverend Cheryl Montgomery
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 forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

Offertory *Spirit of the Living God* Members of the UPC Quartet

**Doxology* #592

Prayer of Dedication – Rev. Cheryl Montgomery

***Closing Hymn** *How Great thou Art* #467

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Reverend Cheryl Montgomery

POSTLUDE *Arise, Your Light Is Come!* Dr. Benjamin Watkins, piano

*Please stand if you are able

UPC Prayer List - Email requests to: upcbloomington@gmail.com.

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Our military men and women around the world

The people of Ukraine and Middle East Our military men and women

The faculty and staff of Monroe County United Ministries

First Presbyterian of Bloomington, pastored by Rev. Tommy Grimm and Rev. Kelley Jepsen
 From its beginning in 1819 as the first organized church in Bloomington, our congregation has always sought and continues to seek to exhibit a faithful, challenging and contemporary Christian witness. Our church is more than a building; it is a community of seekers and disciples in Christ. We believe that a community formed by Christ is also one committed to full

hospitality for all of God's children. We worship together, we learn together, we serve together, but most of all, together, we seek to be God's people in an ever-changing world. We volunteer with agencies committed to children, elderly, refugees, families & adults experiencing poverty, hunger, inadequate housing, and/or homelessness. We also travel/work with partners in our national and international missions. We celebrate Christ through joyful worship, faithful teaching and learning, accepting and loving fellowship. We serve community with acts of hospitality and compassion, offering God's reconciling peace, freedom, and justice. We strive to seek God's will and live by Christ's example. Thank you for your prayers.

A Prayer from the POV on World Hunger

Blessed are you, Lord.

You have fed us from our earliest days; you give food to every living creature. Fill our hearts with joy and delight. Give us what we need and enough to spare for works of mercy in honor of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

From Seven Prayers for Food Week of Action, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 9/26/2018



SHROVE TUESDAY




The Worship Team Presents
UPC's Sixth Annual Pancake Supper
February 13 – 6 p.m. – FREE

Pancakes—plain, blueberry, chocolate chip, no gluten.
Sausage Iced Tea O.J. Milk. Toppings!
Heritage Hall Ramblers Dixieland Band



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