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**Worship**

ONLINE Worship • Transfiguration Sunday • February 14, 2021

**Prelude**

Andante tranquillo from Sonata No. 3 (Felix Mendelssohn)  Ty Woodward, organ

**Call to Worship**

Jocelyn Hicks-Garner, Lay Lector

The Lord shines forth in glory. Our Lord, the God of all, has spoken.

**Response**

From All That Dwell Below the Skies  Ty Woodward

From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator’s praise arise; let the Redeemer’s name be sung, through every land by every tongue.

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**God is real. God is love.**  **Together we can change the world.**

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WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

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Mark 9:2-9       Rev. Young
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SERMON
“Dare to Dream: Beyond Our Wildest Dreams”        Rev. Patricia Farris

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER
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Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me; place in my hands the
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SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy
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—We are enlivened and empowered by the everlasting power of God’s rainbow of love and light. This is a moment to grow in generosity and joyful hearts. Let’s stay steady, and be faithful and creative, offering all the gifts with which we have been blessed to hold one another through these times. Be sure to check the church website for updates on worship and ministry opportunities: www.santamonicaumc.org.

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LENT 2021
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- **Ash Wednesday**
  Our worship service will be [online] this year. It will be a simple service of Scripture, prayer, and music. To prepare, you might want to gather some ashes in a small bowl, or you may use olive oil or dirt to trace a cross on your forehead. You may also stop by the church office from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. on February 16 and 17, to pick up a small cup of ashes individually packaged. Our service will air on Facebook, our website and our YouTube channel beginning Wednesday, February 17 at 10 a.m. It will be available for you all through the day so that you may worship at a time that best fits your schedule.

How to watch: Facebook: [www.facebook.com/santamonicaumc](http://www.facebook.com/santamonicaumc) • YouTube Channel: [www.youtube.com/c/santamonicaumc](http://www.youtube.com/c/santamonicaumc) • Website: [www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream).

Ash Wednesday Service, Wednesday, February 17, 10 a.m. online

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- **Lenten Devotionals**
  The Spiritual Formation Council invites you to read your Lenten Devotional online, which starts on the first day in Lent – Ash Wednesday, February 17. The devotional is written by the First UMC community and provides a wonderful opportunity to share Lent with family and friends. This year we focus on the theme “Opening Our Lives.” To subscribe, go to: [www.santamonicaumc.org/lenten-devotionals](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/lenten-devotionals).

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