Waterloo North Mennonite Church Sunday, February 23, 2020, 10:45 a.m. Called to be Transformed Soul Food Kids & Youth Service

Gathering Hymns:

Hymn: HWB (blue) #6 Here in this place

Hymn (Insert): Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord

Welcome and announcements

Introduction of Theme

Call to Worship

Hymn (Insert): All the Colors of the Rainbow

Congregational Prayer

Offering and Offertory

Hymn: STJ (green) #57 Mayenziwe (Your will be done)

Children's time

Children's Song: Jesus is a Friend

Scripture Reading: Matthew 17:1-9 (see last page)

Hymn (Insert): God of Many Faces

Sermon: "Reflections on Change"

Hymn of Response: HWB (blue) #299 New earth, heavens...

Benediction

Sending Hymn: HWB (blue) #427 You shall go out...

With gratitude and respect, we recognize that we are worshipping on the traditional land that once belonged to the Haudenosaunee and Anishnaabe peoples. We regret the lack of respect given to the Indigenous people in the past, and pledge to work for justice and reconciliation.

In this season of Epiphany, we will explore key moments from the Life of Christ and how we are called to bring our whole selves, to accept our whole selves and to serve God with our whole selves. To help us more deeply experience the theme for this series, we are using one to two projected images each Sunday. The images include many styles of art from different cultures. The images all come from the collection *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN, and are reprinted by permission.

Headsets for hearing assistance are available from the ushers.

Childcare (infants to age 4): The nursery is located next to the sanctuary. Infant change table is located in washroom next to nursery. Ushers can direct you.

Children's Worship Binder, an instrument to help children through the worship service, is available by the sanctuary entrance.

Information Sheets with church news and activities are available in the foyer for those who do not receive them electronically.

Offering: Thank you to those who contribute electronically. Offering cards are available (or use loose change/cash) so that you can participate in the giving of offering worship experience.

Welcome Visitors We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. If you would like to learn more about our church and our ministries, including our care groups, education opportunities, seniors group or youth groups, and if you'd like to be added to our email list, please contact the church office or one of the ministers.

Matthew 17:1-9 (from The Message)

17 ¹⁻³ Six days later, three of them saw that glory. Jesus took Peter and the brothers, James and John, and led them up a high mountain. His appearance changed from the inside out, right before their eyes. Sunlight poured from his face. His clothes were filled with light. Then they realized that Moses and Elijah were also there in deep conversation with him.

- ⁴ Peter broke in, "Master, this is a great moment! What would you think if I built three memorials here on the mountain—one for you, one for Moses, one for Elijah?"
- ⁵ While he was going on like this, babbling, a light-radiant cloud enveloped them, and sounding from deep in the cloud a voice: "This is my Son, marked by my love, focus of my delight. Listen to him."
- 6-8 When the disciples heard it, they fell flat on their faces, scared to death. But Jesus came over and touched them. "Don't be afraid." When they opened their eyes and looked around all they saw was Jesus, only Jesus.
- ⁹ Coming down the mountain, Jesus swore them to secrecy. "Don't breathe a word of what you've seen. After the Son of Man is raised from the dead, you are free to talk."

At Waterloo North Mennonite Church we welcome all people to participate fully in our Christian community of faith with all its expectations, responsibilities, and opportunities regardless of personal characteristics such as race, ethnic background, age, gender and gender identity, sexual orientation, income, or education.