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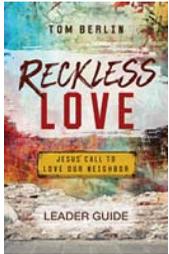
First Mile Mission Giving begins in all UM Churches with Apportionments: 'A Portion Meant' for mission. Grace's 1st Mile Mission Giving Goal is \$21,757 or \$143.15 a year or \$12.00 a month, for each member based on a membership of 152. Generous givers are already **Paving The way** to meeting that goal, with \$ 861.49 given to date.

DONUTS



Donuts will be made on February 26th . To place an order, call the office at 233-1857 or use the sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

LENT



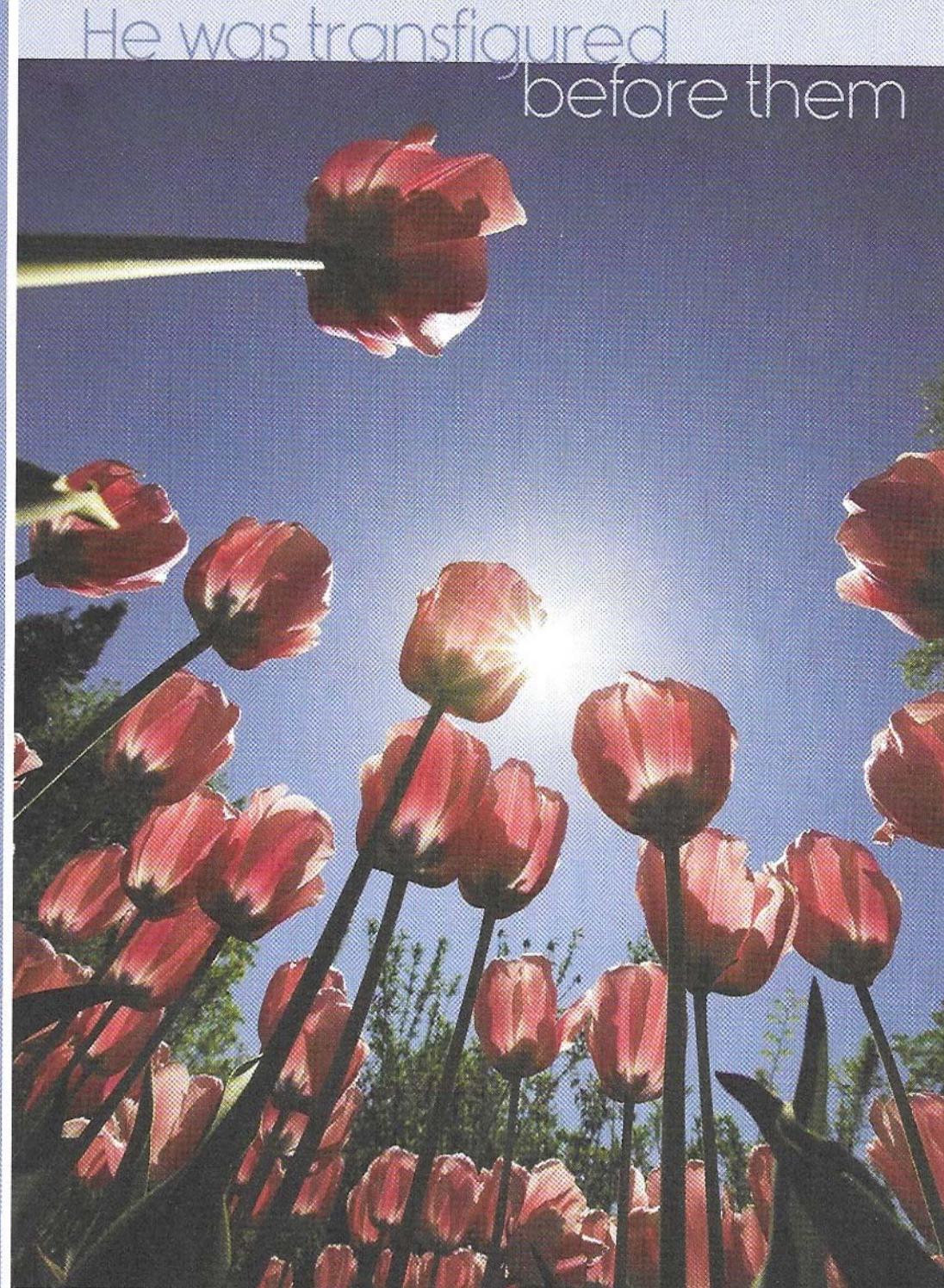
Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 26th. The theme for this year is Reckless Love. Pastor Tom Berlin wrote a book *Reckless Love* about how Jesus taught how to love a neighbor first as a way to more deeply love God.

During our six week journey Jesus' teaching and travels with his disciples will be explored. The journey will teach us how to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength by showing us how to love our neighbor.

There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex, if you wish to purchase a copy of the book.

There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex if you are able to donate a pan of bars.

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GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Church of the Neighborhood
Making Followers of Christ to Transform the World

February 23, 2020

Transfiguration Sunday

WE GATHER TO PRAISE, PRAY AND BLESS

Three Chimes call us to our gathering announcements and worship.

GATHERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Stand if you are able**

PRELUDE:

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** {Quotations from Psalm 99:1 & 9}

“The Lord rules...and the nations shake!

Our God sits enthroned and the earth quakes!”

We gather to recall our priorities.

We pause to worship to remember what is important.

The Lord is holy and great...but sometimes we forget.

Our God is mightier than our problems and our fears.

The Lord is merciful and just.

Our God is forgiving of our failures and our sins.

The Lord is listening and answers.

Our God seeks to restore and renew us every day.

“Magnify the Lord our God.”

We bow our heads in awe and lift our voices in gratitude. Amen.

***HYMN: Insert**

Our God Is an Awesome God

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Exodus 24:12-18 (CEB)

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER:

Pastor Roger

LORD'S PRAYER: #895

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS:

HYMN: #77 (vv. 1-3)

How Great Thou Art

GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 17:1-9 (CEB)

CHOIR:

Wade in the Water

arr. Mark Hayes

MESSAGE:

"Lean into Everyday Holiness"

TO RESPOND, GIVE & BE SENT FORTH

OFFERING:

***DOXOLOGY: #95**

Praise God

***OFFERING PRAYER:**

Loving God, you give us your best every day. You work within this world for healing and peace, hope and love every day. Today, we offer our hands, hearts, resources and time. Bless what we offer to further your will in this your world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

***HYMN: #451**

Be Thou My Vision

***BLESSING: #77 (verse 4)**

How Great Thou Art

POSTLUDE

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for those who are experiencing a “mountain-top” times in their lives. Pray they may have awareness of God’s goodness. Pray, too, for those who are struggling in the “valleys” of their lives. Pray they may have awareness of God’s nearness. Pray for eyes to see, ears to hear and hearts to receive the grace and love God offers every day.

WELCOME

It is our hope that no one feels like a stranger in this house of worship. May each of us be open to friendship and acceptance as God's children. Welcome!

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

On this Sunday before Ash Wednesday, Lord, help us plan our Lenten journey. Grant us more love and more holiness, that we might glorify you.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People

Pastor: Roger Grafenstein

Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud

Choir Director: Jack Johnston

Reader: Butch Fangsrud

Ushers: The Millers