


the biggest gift we can give is to love the world so much that we give of ourselves. Nothing will transform need more than sacrificial love. So as you place money in the offering (plate, basket, etc.) today, don't let your giving be done. Start planning to go deeper. May God now bless our hopes and dreams.

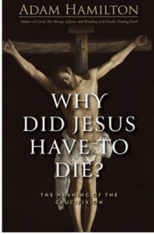
- *DOXOLOGY UMH #94
Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow
- *OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Shon
- *CLOSING HYMN UMH #77
How Great Thou Art
- *BENEDICTION Rev. Shon
- POSTLUDE Carol Prindle



Ash Wednesday Service

February 18th at 7pm





Lent Season Sermon Series:

Why Did Jesus Have to Die?

February 22nd to April 5th, Easter Sunday

Please join us as we explore the most central moment of the Christian faith:

The Crucifixion

- 1: Lift High the Cross: The Crucifixion as God's Word and Recapitulation
- 2: O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done: Penal Substitution and Sacrificial Offering
- 3: *Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)*: Atonement as New Passover, New Covenant, and Redemption
- 4: Were You There: The Moral Influence and Moral Example Theories of Atonement
- 5: What Wondrous Love Is This: Moral Influence Theory, Part II
- 6: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today: *Christus Victor (Christ the Victor)* Theory of Atonement



Dinner Church

Wednesday's—5:30-6:30 PM

EVERYONE is welcome!



REQUEST: Dessert Items

(Homemade or storebought cookies, cakes, bars, etc.)

Volunteers

Sign-up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4FAAAC2AAAFBC16-47489118-dinner> or scan the QR above. User Name/Password not required. Contact Marcia Hagen or Charlene Galston for questions.

Menu this week: Chicken Noodle Soup, Crackers, Fruit and Dessert

Spiritual Formation Group

A new group is forming to support your spiritual growth and introduce the Enneagram as a tool for reflection and making a Spiritual Autobiography.

Sessions will start during lent and continue afterwards.
Times to be announced.



Bishop's Convocation of Laity 2026

"Practicing Hope"

Saturday March 7, 2026
9am-2pm
Portage UMC Register by February 21st



Ushers: Suzanne & Ella Goldsmith and Anne Boehm
Fellowship: Jocelyn Brauner

Upcoming Meetings			
Sun	Feb 15	5 Things Bible Study	10:15am
Thu	Feb 19	Sewing Day	10am-3pm
Thu	Feb 19	Ad Council	5:30pm

Black River Falls United Methodist Church

UMC Mission Statement:
"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

** Indicates, please stand if able.*

Transfiguration Sunday February 15, 2026 9 AM

Liturgist: Dan Brauner

PRELUDE

Carol Prindle

INVITATION AND GATHERING

*CALL to WORSHIP

L: On this Transfiguration Sunday, we gather on the mountaintop with Jesus, wondering what we will encounter.

P: We come to encounter God's glory revealed.

L: We witness the revelation of Christ's divinity made plain before us.

P: We come to witness God's glory revealed.

L: We remember that God's glory is not about spectacle but truth, not about show but about Love made real among us.

P: We come to remember God's glory revealed.

L: We follow Jesus down from the mountaintop into the valleys, as God's glory goes before us and behind us.

P: We come to be sent out to share God's glory revealed.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*OPENING PRAYER

Radiant God, we come to you on the mountaintop to experience your glory. You come to us in the valleys. We meet you in gladness in a place where heaven and earth collide. May our worship of you encourage us on the journey and make us aspire to reflect your kingdom in the world.

Transform us and keep us near to you. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

* OPENING HYMN

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Here I Am to Worship

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we do not trust You fully. We put our hope in worldly gain and in human promises, and find ourselves defeated and lost when things fall apart.

You have given us a love more fully than anything we could experience in this world but we do not seek it, we do not hold on to it, and we look to our own means of

assurance and security.

Forgive us. Call us back to You that we may put our trust in You and not be afraid. May we hear the words so clearly as the disciples did on the day of the Transfiguration; may we rise up and not be afraid. In the name of Jesus, who loves us and offers us forgiveness, we pray. Amen.

WORDS of ASSURANCE

You are God's Beloved; with you, God is well pleased.

You are renewed and restored. You are forgiven and loved.

You are a new creation in Christ, everything old has passed away; see, everything is becoming new. Go and share the good news of God's love. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

As we climb the mountain of God to see Jesus transfigured in our midst, bless those on the journey with us with signs of Christ's peace.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*In Unison*)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 19:20-22

²⁰ The LORD descended to the top of Mount Sinai and called Moses to the top of the mountain. So Moses went up ²¹ and the LORD said to him, "Go down and warn the people so they do not force their way through to see the LORD and many of them perish. ²² Even the priests, who approach the LORD, must consecrate themselves, or the LORD will break out against them."

John 4:19-26

¹⁹ The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you

say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." ²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.

²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But the hour is coming and is now here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵ The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." ²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Hebrews 10:19-25

¹⁹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*HYMN

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Cry of My Heart

MESSAGE

Rev. Shon

5 ESSENTIALS for SPIRITUAL GROWTH - 3:

"Worship in Spirit and Truth"

THANKSGIVING & SENDING FORTH

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

The needs of our world are too numerous to name. Shelter, food, clean air and water... Our gifts touch these needs, but