

*First***CHURCH**  
First United Methodist Church of Boulder

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**10:30 am Worship**

**Sunday, February 14, 2021**

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**WORDS FOR MEDITATION**

“won’t you celebrate with me”

by Lucille Clifton

won't you celebrate with me  
what i have shaped into  
a kind of life? i had no model.  
born in babylon  
both nonwhite and woman  
what did i see to be except myself?  
i made it up  
here on this bridge between  
starshine and clay,  
my one hand holding tight  
my other hand; come celebrate  
with me that everyday  
something has tried to kill me  
and has failed.

**WELCOME**

Rev. Michael Mather

**PRELUDE**

“Toccata Viva”  
Jordan Ortman, organ

Lani Smith (1934-2015)

**THE CALL**

Rev. Michael Mather

**HYMN**

“Hail To The Lord’s Anointed”  
Kirsten Carpenter-Ortman, soprano  
Jordan Ortman, piano

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**THE SCRIPTURE READING**

Sarah Kreis

**Mark 9:2-9**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them.

And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

He did not know what to say, for they were terrified.

Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"

Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Human One had risen from the dead.

**MOMENTS OF WITNESS**

Binx Selby, Lori McCue, & Rich Irvin

**SERMON**

*You Are the Light of the World:  
A Little Celebration is Good Medicine*

Rev. Michael Mather

**HYMN**

“Christ Beside Me”  
Kirsten Carpenter-Ortman, soprano  
Jordan Ortman, piano

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**PRAYER**



## Black History Month



**Dr. Valerie Thomas** (b. February 8, 1943) is a NASA scientist and inventor. She invented the illusion transmitter using mirrors to produce 3D illusions. She developed NASA's early Landsat imaging, producing large-scale satellite images of over 13,000 square miles in each shot. The program began in 1972 and still operates today, only on their 7th and 8th satellites, while a 9th will be launched this fall. She also managed the Space Physics Analysis Network, a precursor to the Internet, from 1986 to 1990, overseeing growth in the project from 100 to 2,700 computer nodes. She has also

mentored countless students through various programs including Women in Science and Engineering.



### **February Special Offering benefits Heartfelt Café**

The February special offering will support our church's Heartfelt Café, the third-Sunday-of-the-month soup kitchen that serves a free lunch to anyone in need of a meal. Heartfelt Café has adapted to continue serving during the pandemic; they offer to-go bag lunches for guests. But the Heartfelt crew looks forward to resuming hot meals and in-person dining for guests when it is safe to do so. Your financial support is vital to this ministry of compassion and connection. To contribute, please make your check payable to First United Methodist Church, and write "February special offering" in the memo line. You can mail your check to the church at 1421 Spruce Street, Boulder, CO 80302. If you'd prefer to give online through our website, click on the green "Give" tab in the upper right corner of the homepage, click the "Donate Now" button, and type in the amount you'd like to give on the line for "February Mission Offering." Thank you for your generous support of this special offering.

### **Giving to FUMC During the Pandemic**

Just a reminder that FUMC can still receive your offering gifts to support God's work in the world. Mail is still being checked several times each week in the church office, so you can mail checks, made payable to First United Methodist Church, to 1421 Spruce Street, Boulder, CO 80302. You can also give online via our website: <https://fumcboulder.org/about/donating/>. Thank you.