March 2, 2014 – Transfiguration Sunday

Call to Worship
One: God, we come to the mountaintop to be covered in your presence,
All: We are comforted by your holiness and your glow
One: We are comforted by the hope of the mountain top,
All: Where you are so close, so accessible, where there is no doubt of your glory
One: The mountain top reminds us why we worship you
All: We witness your bright power, and your plan for the nations of the earth.
One: As we prepare for worship, God bring us to the mountain top
All: Bring us to the mountain top so that we may be inspired to do your work in the valley below.

Prayer of Confession
Mothering God, we confess that we often wish to spend all of our time with you on the mountain top, where we are sure of your presence, where we feel connected to you. We confess that when we come down from the mountain, we often fail to go back into the world to be your hands and feet. We struggle to see you in the faces of our neighbor and we are overwhelmed by the brokenness we see in the world. Forgive us, O God, when our vision is limited and our actions do not live out our discipleship. Amen.

Words of Assurance
Children of God, we are forgiven. As a mother nurtures and holds her babies, keeping them ever so close, so God does too. God, we trust that you will continue to inspire us and stay with us, on the mountain, and through the valleys.