

February 27, 2022 – Transfiguration Sunday

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Greeting

Opening Hymn (Instrumental) - NCH 182 - This iconic Transfiguration Sunday hymn is set to the tune "Hyfrydol," a well known tune arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams in 1906. "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" celebrates in the text that "Jesus is God's chosen one" and closes with "that our daily lives may prove us people of the God we bless."

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Liturgist: We come together, a community of faith. We have gathered to talk and listen to our God.

Congregation: **May our faces shine in anticipation. Our God has invited us to this moment of meeting.**

Liturgist: We share in a new covenant of promise and hope. Our spirits have been set free for worship and praise.

Congregation: **We come with boldness to encounter our Creator. We assemble here, eager to be changed by God.**

Liturgist: Our fears melt into awe and wonder before God. Our failures become opportunities for learning.

Congregation: **Let us praise God's holy name in chorus. Let us share in the glory of life. What a gift!**

Hymn (Instrumental) - NCH 293 - "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" comes from the golden age of gospel music and is directly connected to today's reading from 2nd Corinthians. It references how we should know that we are in the presence of the Lord and that we should show it on our faces.

Confession of Sin

We tremble before you, O God, for we have sinned. You already know what we have done and what we have failed to do. Hear us now as we recognize and admit our actions and inaction in violation of the trust you have placed in us. Enter into our excuses and our pretensions, Holy One, that we may be saved for ministry and mission. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri (Instrumental)

Old Testament Lesson – Exodus 34:29-35 – Moses’ face shone with reflected glory from being in God’s presence. The experience with God transfigured Moses. There was an aura of holiness about him showing that he had been with God.

Hymn of Praise (Recorded) - Here is a new piece written for Transfiguration Sunday. This is the description: "In honour of the "Feast of the Transfiguration", we release 'Transfiguration' by Brian Wren and Ricky Manalo, with beautiful art depicting the Transfiguration as well as scenes from Mount Tabor and the actual Church of the Transfiguration.

Children’s Sermon

Epistle Lesson – 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Offertory - NCH 183 - Today's offertory is "Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain." The composer tells of being as much at a loss for words contemplating the glory of the transfigured Christ as were the disciples.

Doxology

Gospel Lesson – Luke 9:28-36

Sermon

Closing Hymn - NCH 43 - "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" is one of 6500 hymns written by Charles Wesley and it encourages Jesus to "visit us with your salvation, enter every trembling heart."

Benediction

Postlude