



Sunday, February 14, 2021

Welcome!

We are thankful that you are worshiping with us today! To learn more about the life of our congregation, join our email list [here](#).

Here are some helpful resources for our younger worshippers:

[This Week's Children's Bulletin](#) | [Worship Worksheet for Kids](#)

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration of the Lord

10:30 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us go to the holy mountain
and worship Christ with the disciples!
We will see Christ transformed before us.
We will see our lives transformed before Christ.
Come, let us go to the holy mountain
and worship the Son of God.

*OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we stand in awe of your power and greatness. Through thanks and praise, let us be reminded that though you are great and mighty you still choose to love us perfectly.
Amen.

*HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

3. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.
4. High King of Heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Leader: May God be with you in worship there.

Congregation: **May God be with you in worship there.**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Despite how we fall short of the glory of God, we know that because of God's unending love and mercy, evil does not have the final say. With this in mind and heart, let us boldly confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of transformation, you make new life where there was old, dazzling light where there were shadows, peace where there was violence, and friends where there were enemies. Forgive us, O God, when we stand in the way of your transformative love. Forgive us when we do not live as people who have been changed by your grace. Call us to the mountain once more, and send us out to be witnesses of your transformative grace.

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, know that in these waters and by Christ's transformative love, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since we have been reconciled to God, let us also be reconciled to one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

*SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 647)

GIVE THANKS

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;

Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ the Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;

Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ the Son.

And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"
And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"
Give thanks. Give thanks.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious Lord, by your Word and your Spirit, we ask that you sit among us this day as we strive to seek your light in a world that yearns for your presence. **Amen.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Psalm 50: 1-6
Here ends the psalm. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 4: 3-6
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. David Madewell

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of wonder, at this table we are reminded yet again by your miraculous power and glory that shines on us all. We thank you for giving us this gift that, through your Spirit, transforms our hearts to show your goodness. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 250

Hymn of Promise

PROMISE

1. In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
2. There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
3. In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

**Rise in body or spirit*

LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHING & PRESIDING AT THE TABLE

Rev. David Madewell

ASSISTING

Dennis Jewett, Music Director

Stephanie Dube, Director of Youth Ministries & Weekday School

MUSICIANS

Choral Scholars