Transfiguration Sunday

10:00 a.m. March 2, 2025

Entering God's Presence

Welcome, Life in the Community, and Ritual of Friendship

*Hymn 41

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

LYONS

*Expressing Our Joy

Leader: Ascend the mountain and with attentive prayer, look to Jesus.

People: At the summit, we see he is more than we thought.

Leader: Jesus is the Christ, cloaked in mystery, majestic in splendor, the Light of God,

illuminating all of life.

People: It is good to be here, worshipping our Lord. His light transfigures our

existence.

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

Most amazing God, like Jesus' disciples, we confess our uneasiness in the presence of your son's unveiled splendor. In the light of the transfiguration we see that, too often, we have not taken time for attentive silence. We also need to confess those times when we become so absorbed in our inner thoughts that we lose sight of the needs of the world. As Jesus led the way by descending to the valley to work among the poor, free us to love and serve you in equal measure.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

*Hymn 406 We Are Standing on Holy Ground

HOLY GROUND

Exodus 34:29-35 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 78 in the pew Bible.]

Anthem *Blessing and Glory*

William Boyce

Matthew 17:1-13 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 17-18 in the pew Bible.]

Meditation Witn

Witnessing God's Glory

The Rev. Vance E. Polley

*The Apostle's Creed (Traditional Version, Page 35) and Gloria Patri (No. 581)

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 Ghost, 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.

Dedicating our Gifts and Tithes \sim *See* <u>oursunrise.org</u> to give securely online (In the *Offering*, we dedicate our lives and a portion of the resources God has entrusted to us. Your gifts may be dedicated online, by mail, or in-person.)

*At the Presentation

Doxology (No. 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving, concluding with 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.

The Lord's Supper

(All who are baptized are invited to share in *The Lord's Supper*.)

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn 673

Jesus, Light of Joy

LAUDA ANIMA

*Benediction and Choral Benediction

*Going Out into the World

^{*}Those that are able, please stand.