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Sunday, February 11, 2024

Transfiguration of the Lord

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the Lord had given him on Mount Sinai.

When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. But whenever he entered the Lord's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord.

Exodus 34:29-35 (NIV)

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Mark 9:2-9 (NIV)

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:17-18 (NIV)

- *CONNECTING YOU WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY* -

Greeters: Linda & Bill Forrey, Kim Buzzard, Linda Keener, Marty & Jack Hynd, Betty & Bob Rishel

Ushers: Johnny Wood, Bill DeLong, Bill Sherriff

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

* Posting of the Colors

Prelude

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Please sign and pass the "Friendship Pad" down the pew.
At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.*

Scout Video

Minute For Mission

Lisa Murray

* Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: Great is the Lord!

People: Exalted among the nations.

Leader: Mighty is the Lord!

People: King of heaven and earth.

Leader: Holy is the Lord!

People: Beyond our understanding.

All: Let us worship the living God!

* Opening Hymn #74

"Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ we behold your transforming light, yet we continue to live in darkness. Preoccupied with ourselves, we fail to see your work in the world. We speak when we should listen. We act when we should reflect. Empower us to live in your light and to walk in your ways for the sake of him who is the light of the world, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

Leader: You are God's Beloved; with you, God is well pleased. You are renewed and restored. You are forgiven and loved. You are a new creation in Christ, everything old has passed away; see, everything is becoming new. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Gloria Patri 579

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.

At this time, children through 4th grade are invited to attend Sunday School. Teachers are stationed at the main doors of the sanctuary and will walk the children to the children's classrooms in the Narthex.

Parents/Guardians may pick up their children after the service in the classroom.

Scout Presentation and Blessing

Prayer of Illumination

Holy God, you revealed to the disciples the everlasting glory of Jesus Christ. Grant us, who have not seen and yet believe, the gift of your Holy Spirit, that we may boldly live the gospel, and shine with your transforming glory as people changed and changing through the redeeming presence of our Savior, Amen.

Choir Anthem

"And I Saw a New Heaven"

by Edgar L. Bainton

Scripture Readings

Exodus 34:29-35, Mark 9:2-9, 2 Corinthians 3:17-18

Message

"The Masks We Wear"

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Prayers of the People, Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

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.

Invitation to the Offering

Wooden offering boxes are located in the narthex

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn #339

"Be Thou My Vision"

* Charge and Benediction

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Retirement of the Colors

Postlude

***PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT**

MUSIC: DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST

A/V: MARK ANDERSON & KEN OSBORNE

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