



He was transfigured before them ...
and his clothes became dazzling white ...
Mark 9:2-3, NRSV

Transfiguration Sunday

February 14, 2021

Trinity Presbyterian Church,
Topeka, KS

GATHERING

We gather as the Body of Christ to encounter God in worship

Prelude

“Shine Jesus Shine”
Graham Kendrick
Jaron Marcus, Piano

CENTERING WORDS

May the brightness of God shine around us, within us, and through us.

Welcome and Announcements

Michael Langfitt

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day

Unison

Holy and mighty God, gather us among your faithful ones,
the people of your covenant, to stand in the light of your glory
and listen for the word of the Lord, Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Musical Interlude

“Interlude on RATISBON”
Charles Callahan
Brad Stipcak. Organ

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Congregation

God of all glory, beauty, and grace,
we have tried to hide from you—
to hide our faces, to hide our sin—
yet you have never hidden your love for us.
We have tried to search for you—

in temples, in clouds, on mountaintops—
yet you have already revealed yourself to us
in the face of Jesus Christ.
Forgive us, and transform us
so that our lives may shine
with your glory, beauty, and grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(time for silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD

The Word of God in scripture and interpreted in proclamation is the center of worship.

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson

2 Corinthians 4: 3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are on the road to destruction. The god of this age has blinded the minds of those who don't have faith so they couldn't see the light of the gospel that reveals Christ's glory. Christ is the image of God.

We don't preach about ourselves. Instead, we preach about Jesus Christ as Lord, and we describe ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. God said that light should shine out of the darkness. He is the same one who shone in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God

Second Lesson

Mark 9: 2-9

Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and brought them to the top of a very high mountain where they were alone. He was transformed in front of them, and his clothes were amazingly bright, brighter than if they had been bleached white. Elijah and Moses appeared and were talking with Jesus. Peter reacted to all of this by saying to Jesus, "Rabbi, it's good that we're here. Let's make three shrines—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He said this because he didn't know how to respond, for the three of them were terrified.

Then a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice spoke from the cloud, "This is my Son, whom I dearly love. Listen to him!" Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them not to tell anyone what they had seen until after the Human One had risen from the dead.

Praise to you, oh Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

We respond to the Word of God in prayer and by offering ourselves and our substance.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

“Be Thou My Vision”
arr. Charles Callahan
Brad Stipcak, Organ

*Prayer of Dedication

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.

SENDING FORTH

Worship equips us to go forth to serve God in the world.

Hymn

“Open Our Eyes, Lord”

**Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch him,
and say that we love him.**

**Open our ears, Lord,
and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus.**

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

“How Great is Our God”
Chris Tomlin
Jaron Marcus, Piano

Participating in Worship Leadership:

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Presider

Michael Langfitt, Liturgist

Brad Stipcak, Dir. Of Music

Jaron Marcus, Piano

Peter Sandquist, Audio/Visual

Anton Ahrens, Audio/Visual

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Brad Stipcak, Carol Thomas.

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