

Worship Outline

Transfiguration

February 23, 2020

Neutral Pulpit for Faith DesPeres

Guest Pastor - Rev. Samantha Hudson

We Gather

Prelude

Meditation
France

Introit

Surely the Presence
Wolfe

+Litany for Transfiguration of the Lord (responsive)

Blessed is the Lord our God,
who revealed the law to Moses.

The Lord our God is holy!

Blessed is the Lord our God,
who came to us in Jesus Christ.

The Lord our God is holy!

The one who spoke and called light out of darkness
now shines in our hearts.

The Lord our God is holy!

The one who comes and does not keep silence
now speaks in our midst.

The Lord our God is holy!

Now we have seen the glory of God

in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Lord our God is holy!

Silence is kept.

Great God of dazzling beauty
and overshadowing majesty,
in Jesus Christ, your beloved,
we glimpse the image of your glory.
Teach us to listen to him
so that we may hear your voice
and follow your holy way;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

+Hymn 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Unison Prayer of Confession and Assurance

Jesus said: Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed,
nor is anything secret that will not come to light.
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Holy One,
we search for you amidst
the grand and glorious,
the sacred and the serene.
We are eager to bask in your splendor
and dwell with you in sanctuaries
that shelter us from the sorrow of this world.
We forget you also are present in
the ordinary and profane,

**the desperate and despised.
 You send us back down the mountain
 to proclaim your law of grace
 and live your command of love -
 to tread the path that Jesus tread.
 Transform us,
 embolden us,
 and free us from fear,
 that we might be beacons of your light.**

Silence is kept.

The one who calls light out of darkness
 now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God
 in the face of Jesus Christ.
 In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

The Peace
 In the spirit of peace and the hope of unity,
 let us offer each other a sign of Christ's peace!
 The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

+Gathering Song 447
Forgiven

We Are

***We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
 Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
 We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
 Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.***

Sharing the Story

Scripture Lesson

Exodus 24:12-18

Let us pray...God of shining splendor,
 your voice makes the earth tremble in wonder.
 Overshadow us with your Spirit
 so that we may hear your Word
 and live as faithful disciples
 and covenant people;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

12 The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." 13 So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. 14 To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." 15 Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. 16 The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. 17 Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. 18 Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Opening the Word with Young Disciples

Anthem

Only Jesus
 Williams

Scripture Reading

Matthew 17:1-9

1 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. 2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. 3 Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4 Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." 5 While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. 7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." 8 And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Trans-Figure: Crossing Lines

Rev. Samantha Hudson

+Hymn 191

We Have Come at Christ's Own

Bidding

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Choral Prayer Response

I Cast

Offering

Invitation

Offertory
Mercy

There's a Wideness in God's

V. D. Thompson

+Congregational Response 708 (verse 1)

We Give Thee but Thine Own

***We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.***

+Dedication

God of power and love, we came to worship this morning in anticipation: to hear the music, to be fed with the word, to reconnect with family, but most of all to listen to your voice as it might speak to us in the silent moments. May your goodness and caring be affirmed in the gifts we give, and as worship comes to an end, may we hear Jesus' voice sending us out into the world, and may we listen and go. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Sending

+Hymn 634
Glory

To God Be the

+Blessing and Benediction

+Congregational Benediction 192 refrain

Shine, Jesus Shine

Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Father's glory.

Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy.

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

Postlude

Gregorian March
Guilmant

Prayer of Confession, Lectionary Aids for 2019-2020, Year A

Litany for Transfiguration of the Lord, Call to Confession and Assurance, Prayer for Illumination, Book of Common Worship of the PCUSA.

Unless otherwise noted, all hymns and service music are found in the Glory to God Hymnal.