



Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

Transfiguration of the Lord
February 23, 2020
11:00 a.m.

† Those who are able, please stand

Prelude "More Love to Thee, O Christ/O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" Janet Linker

Westminster Peal

GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life Rev. Barrett Abernethy

Moved by the Spirit Confirmands

Introit Jesus Loves Me MVPC Youth

Gathering as the Children of God Gill Christian

One: I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward one another.
So I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers.
I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation
As you come to know him.

**All: *With the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we see the greatness of Christ's power
at work in us who believe.
God put this power to work in Christ when God raised him from the dead -
and seated him at God's right hand in the glory of the heavenly places!***

† Hymn #384 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" ST. MARGARET

Prayer of Confession (*unison*) Kendall Slaydon

God of calling, you called Abraham and Matthew and gave them the strength they needed to follow you. You also called a people and cared for and nurtured that people so that they could live life in our abundance. You also call us, but sometimes we prefer to close our eyes and cover our ears, turning our backs to your will. Forgive us, O God, and grant us the confidence and the hope that we need to follow when you call.....*Silent Confession....Amen.*

Choral Response "Kyrie Eleison"

Assurance of Pardon

One: ...Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

All: *In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

† Response No. 579

GLORIA PATRI

*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

Francesca Brunetti

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Aidan Ray

Speak to us, O Lord our God, and let the fire of your Spirit burn brightly in our hearts.
Open our minds to receive the wisdom of the law, the hope of the prophets,
And the life of the gospel: Jesus Christ, your living Word. **AMEN.**

Scripture Lesson

Bryce Cumming

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Youth Homilies

"Thoughts on Transfiguration"
"What Mount Vernon Church Means to Me"
"See the Good"
"Heart Like a River"

Bryce Cumming
Melinda Carden
Erin Jackson
Lindsay Southard

RESPONSE

† Hymn #521

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

FINEST WHEAT

† Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Nathan Peji & Anna Barber

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.

THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering

Offertory

"And the Glory of the Lord"

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

† Doxology (#592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

** Please Wait for Pastor & Choir to Stand *
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: Then in the fullness of time...who forever sing to the glory of your name: **(sung by Choir)**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Pastor: You are holy, O God... For Great is the mystery of faith: **(sung by Choir)**

*Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.*

Prayers of the People...concluding with 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.

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

† Closing Hymn #464	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"	HYMN TO JOY
† Benediction		
† Choral Response	"Song of Simeon"	Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625) arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
† Postlude	"Prelude in C Major"	Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Upcoming Events:

February 26	6:00 p.m.	Pancake Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service
March 8-15		Family Promise
March 9-13		MVP School Spring Break

Worship Participants for February 23, 2020

Pastor - Rev. Barrett Abernethy	Guest Organist - Justin Bowen
Director of Music - Matthias Young	Liturgist - Youth

Youth: Sage Allen, Anna Barber, Ben Barber, Francesca Brunetti, Melinda Carden, Gill Christian, Kate Christian, Bryce Cumming, Kyle Cumming, Erin Jackson, Sam Nelson, Nathan Peji, Aidan Ray, Kendall Slaydon, Lindsay Southard, Katie Sprung, Luke Van Putten, Zack Van Putten



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