

9:00 a.m.

**Devotional Service**

February 19, 2023

Welcome to the 9:00 a.m. Devotional Service. Together, may we rejoice and give thanks for God’s loving grace in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Welcome and Life in the Community

\*Hymn 41 **O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!** (vv. 1, 2, & 5) 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

I Kings 19:11-13 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 311 in the pew Bible.]

Mark 9:1-8 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 41-42 in the pew Bible.]

Sermon **The Transfiguration: Unveiled Glory** The Rev. Vance E. Polley

\*Affirmation of Faith

**Christ Jesus though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death—even death on a Cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.** (Phil. 2:5-11)

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\*At the Presentation **Doxology** (No. 606) OLD HUNDRETH

Prayer of Dedication, 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.**

\*Hymn 716 **God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending** BEACH SPRING

\*Blessing

\*Going Out into the World

\*All those who are able, please stand.