



Order of Worship for 3/2/25 Transfiguration of the Lord

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* Please rise in body/spirit | Congregational responses are in bold

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

CALL TO WORSHIP

"The Lord is king; let the people tremble."

The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship upon God's holy hill;

For the Lord our God is the Holy One.

OPENING PRAYER (all)

Holy God, present in our midst yet beyond all comprehension, by your light, we see light; by your healing, we are made whole; by your mercy, we know your greatness. Turn your gaze upon our weakness and show us the way of your love that we may live with unveiled faces, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #306

Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:

Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all)**

Merciful and gracious God, we bow before your unending compassion, the measure of our falling short. We have not loved as you command. We have not spoken truly. We have not cared for creation, including ourselves, according to your will. What we intend, we have not pursued; what we mean to avoid, we embrace. Help us to know the mind of Christ that in all thoughts, words, and deeds, our lives might come to honor you. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

In the name of Jesus Christ,
We are forgiven.

***HYMN #576**

Gloria, Gloria

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 34:29-35

Old Testament page 81

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 9:28-43a

This is the Word of the Lord.

New Testament page 69

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. TJ Shirley

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

From A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve... We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, and feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Transform us as you, transfigured, stood apart on Tabor's height.
Lead us up our sacred mountains, search us with revealing light.
Lift us from where we have fallen, full of questions, filled with fright.

Transform us as you, transfigured, once spoke with those holy ones.
We, surrounded by the witness of those saints whose work is done,
Live in this world as your Body, chosen daughters, chosen sons.

Transform us as you, transfigured, would not stay within a shrine.
Keep us from our great temptation—time and truth we quickly bind.
Lead us down those daily pathways where our love is not confined.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

O Great God

*DOXOLOGY #592

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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...

And so we sing with all the saints on earth
and all the angels in heaven:

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...

Great is the mystery of faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again...**

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor
are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal p. 16

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION

(Gluten-free elements provided on stand in front.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENT IN GOD'S NAME

*CLOSING HYMN #411

Arise, Your Light is Come

Arise, your light is come!
The Spirit's call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God,
Which shines on you today.

Arise, your light is come!
Fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captives' liberty,
Good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come!
All you in sorrow born,
Build up the broken-hearted ones
And comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing;
God's power will make us strong.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Holy Holy Holy

Liturgical resources from *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion* and *Book of Common Worship* (1993) and (2018).

