Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God February 14, 2021

Last Sunday after Epiphany/The Transfiguration of the Lord Today's worship is online only

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude Rejoice, the Lord is King (Darwall's 148th) arr. Jason Payne

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 487 When Morning Gilds the Skies Laudes Domini

Opening Sentences

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord, People: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day ___(spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the Amen.) Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: Give us faith to perceive his glory, that, being strengthened by his grace, we may changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. The congregation sits.

Confession of Sin

Unison

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory.

But we turn away, distracted by our own plans.

We confess that we speak when we should listen,

and act in haste rather than wait for your Word.

Forgive our unwillingness to follow Jesus

to the mountaintop of prayer or the valley of service.

Grant us wisdom to live in your light, radiant from the face of our Lord. ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 462 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies Ratisbon

Pastor: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And <u>also</u> with you.

Passing of the Peace (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

Welcome, Announcements, and a Word to Children

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament 2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalm 50:1-6 Unison

The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks

and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

Our God comes and does not keep silence.

Before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around him.

God calls to the heavens above and to the earth,

that he may judge his people.

"Gather to me my faithful ones,

who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge.

Epistle 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Gospel Mark 9:2-9

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 75 O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair Deo Gracias

The congregation sits.

Sermon Seen in a New Light Mike Krech

[&]quot;And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them."

Mark 9:2b-3

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 474 O Splendor of God's Glory Bright Puer Nobis Nascitur

Apostles' Creed ______ Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional

Gloria Patri 579 Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

Offertory Sentence

Offertory At the Name of Jesus (King's Weston) Ralph Vaughan Williams

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

Benediction

Hymn 306 Fairest Lord Jesus Crusaders' Hymn

After the three stanzas in the hymnal, we also sing:

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man. Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine.

The congregation sits.

Postlude Agincourt Hymn, by John Dunstable arr. E. Power Biggs

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church.

Today we conclude the Sundays after Epiphany with the account of the Transfiguration of Jesus. This is an appropriate final lesson for the season of light. As we began with the light of a star guiding the wise men to Jesus' cradle, today that light is shining in the face of Jesus himself on the mountaintop. Peter, James, and John are granted this vision of the glorified Christ, which is intended to encourage their faith as the shadows arise when Jesus sets his face toward Jerusalem and takes up the cross. The Transfiguration can help sustain our faith during the coming season of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17. (JMK)