

First Presbyterian CHURCH OF EASTON



A Service for the Worship of God February 11, 2024

The Transfiguration of the Lord
*Indicates an invitation to rise in body and/or spirit as you are able.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

TOWER BELLS

PRELUDE Deep River Hailstork

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 50

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.

He calls to the heavens above and to the earth below;

that he may judge his people.

The heavens declare his righteousness;

for God himself is judge.

Come, let us worship God.

*HYMN 210 (V.1-5)

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, you are our help in ages past and our hope for years to come, and we fully understand that time will eventually bear us all away. We pray this morning that while life shall last we may continue to be faithful disciples and living witnesses of your love and grace. We accept that we are not always as faithful as you would desire; that we are not as gracious as you would wish; and that we are not as loving as you would have us be. Lord, send your Spirit among us that we may live our lives as testaments to your love and faithfulness for all of your creation. In Jesus' name we pray.

Silent prayer

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, our hope for years to come rests in the knowledge that the Son of God who walked among us also sacrificed himself on our behalf so that our eternal home with the Lord is assured. Hallelujah.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE 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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2:1-12

Mark 9:2-8

HOMILY Listen Carefully Rev. Larry Van Hise

ANTHEM Lord, I Know I've Been Changed

Traditional Spiritual arr. Larry Shackley
The Chancel Choir

Lord, I know I been changed.
Angels in heaven done signed my name.
If you don't believe that I have been redeemed,
just follow me down to that ol' Jordan stream.
I went to the river and the water was cold.
It chilled my body but not my soul.
Lord, I know I been changed.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Humbled by God's generosity, let us offer our gifts to God and God's ministries through Christ's church.

Please leave your offering in the boxes at the front and rear of the sanctuary or make your gifts online or via mail.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, you meet our needs and transform us for service. Accept these gifts as signs of our gratitude and our commitment to witness to Christ's ministry in your world. Amen.

*RESPONSE Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND POURING OF THE CUP

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.

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 74 (V.1-4) Jesus on the Mountain Peak

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory Geneva; Day

Please join us in Legacy Hall after the service for our Souper Bowl luncheon.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Larry Van Hise
Rev. Richard Taylor, Communion Officiant
Gloria Snyder, Organist
Elizabeth Campbell, Chancel Choir Director
The Chancel Choir
Ellis Finger, Liturgist
Shirley Heinsohn and Linda Martin, Communion Servers

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