



Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church

Worship Service for the Lord's Day

February 19, 2023
11:00 AM
Transfiguration Sunday

Prelude

Lord, Now Open Wide Thy Heaven

Johann Sebastian Bach

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Ginger Thomas

Introit

And from the Cloud

Guy Russo

And from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, my Beloved; listen to him." (Mark 9:7)

*Call to Worship

Blessed is the Lord our God, who revealed the law to Moses.

The Lord our God is holy!

Blessed is the Lord our God, who has spoken through the prophets.

The Lord our God is holy!

Blessed is the Lord our God, who came to us in Jesus Christ.

The Lord our God is holy!

The one who spoke and called light out of darkness now shines in our hearts.

The Lord our God is holy!

The one who comes and does not keep silence now speaks in our midst.

The Lord our God is holy!

Now we have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Lord our God is holy!

Let us pray:

Great God of dazzling beauty and overshadowing majesty, in Jesus Christ, your beloved, we glimpse the image of your glory. Teach us to listen to him so that we may hear your voice and follow your holy way; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of Confession and Silent Confession

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 when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

All pray in silence.

Assurance of Pardon

The one who calls light out of darkness now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

***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**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.

Children's Message

Rev. Lori Bass-Riley

Children attending Kid's Church may follow Pastor Lori.

Scripture Reading

Exodus 24:12-18 (OT, pg.70)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

King of Glory, King of Peace

Johann Sebastian Bach

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee. And, that love will never cease, I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request; thou hast heard me. Thou didst note my working breast; thou hast spared me. Alleluia. Wherefore with my utmost art, I will sing thee. And the cream of all my heart I will bring thee. Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me. And alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me. Alleluia. Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee. In my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Small it is, in this poor sort, to enroll thee. E'en eternity's too short to extol thee. Alleluia.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 17:1-9 (NT, pg.18)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Mountaintop Experience

Rev. Roger Owens

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed (ecumenical version)

Hymnal Intro., p.17
Rev. Rebecca DePoe

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,**

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People and 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.

Offering

Please complete a Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

Offertory Anthem

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Healey Willan

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, thou, the true, the only Light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night. Dayspring from on high be near; Daystar, in my heart appear. Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee. Joyless is the day's return till thy mercy's beams I see. Till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart. Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief. Fill me, Radiancy Divine, scatter all my unbelief. More and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day. Amen.

*Doxology

Old Hundredth

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.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 190

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Geneva

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Jesus on the Mountain Peak

Mowsley

This is God's beloved Son! Law and prophets sing before him, first and last and only One. All creation shall adore him! Alleluia!

*Postlude

Toccata and Fugue in F Major

Dietrich Buxtehude

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All are invited to remain for the postlude.

Participants Today

Rev. Ginger A. Thomas, Co-Senior Pastor (ginger@fcpc.us)
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Kelly Lynch, Brian Miller, Scott Miller, Gwen Minshall, Jerry Minshall,
Louise van Mook, Logan Newman, Jack Oehrle, Ray Overmyer, Wilberta Pickett,
Takako Petek, Audrey Russo, Polly Swanson, Joanne Welsh, Zachary Wood

Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given for the glory of God and
in memory of Lee Oehrle—wife, mother, and Meema,
and in honor of the musical spirit of the FCPC choir by John Oehrle.

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