

# TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 27, 2022

## **GATHERING SONG** *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

**Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before your God  
Come**

**One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God  
One day ev'ry knee will bow  
Still the greatest treasure remains for those  
Who gladly choose you now**

**Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before your God  
Come**

## **WELCOME**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Mighty Ruler,

**P: Most High,**

L: Lover of Justice,

**P: Mystery Hidden in a Cloud,**

L: Enthroned One,

**P: Mountain Dweller;**

L: You are exalted over all people.

**P: We praise Your great and awesome name.**

L: We worship at Your holy mountain.

**P: For You, O God, are holy.**



## **SONG** *Blessed Be Your Name*

**Blessed Be Your Name in the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name**

**Blessed Be Your name when I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness blessed Be Your name**

**Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say:**

**Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name**

**Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's 'all as it should be' blessed be Your name**

**Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering blessed be Your name**

**Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say:**

**Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name**

**You give and take away, you give and take away  
My heart will choose to say, Lord blessed be your name**

### **OPENING PRAYER** (spoken in unison)

**Holy God, bring us to Your mountaintop. We come to talk with You today. We come to listen to what You have to say. We come to sense Your glory- a glory that can transform our lives. May Jesus, Your Son and Your chosen One, and may the Spirit of freedom and glory shine upon us and cause us to shine like the sun. Amen.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (spoken in unison)

**We sometimes wonder if we have the capacity to shine Your light in a world of darkness. Polish the mirror of our lives, that we might reflect Your light each day, even in times of fear and uncertainty. Amen.**

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

**L: Our sovereign God answers our failings with forgiveness and renewal. We are all being transformed, day by day, from one degree of glory to another. Let us praise God's great and awesome name.**

**P: Amen.**

### **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (spoken in unison)

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **OFFERTORY & PRAYER**

### **SONG** *Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now I'm found was blind, but now I see**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed**

Refrain:

**My chains are gone, I've been set free! My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns: Unending love, amazing grace**

**The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures (refrain)**

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow the sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below will be forever mine, will be forever mine  
You are forever mine**

## **GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 9: 28-43a

<sup>28</sup> Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup> Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup> They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup> Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup> While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup> When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. <sup>37</sup> On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup> Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. <sup>39</sup> Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. <sup>40</sup> I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." <sup>41</sup> Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." <sup>42</sup> While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. <sup>43</sup> And all were astounded at the greatness of God. While everyone was amazed at all that he was doing, he said to his disciples

L: The Word of the Lord.      **P: Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

"We are All Being Transformed"

Rev. Richard Baker

## **SONG** *Honor and Praise*

**Righteous and holy in all of Your ways  
We come before You with honor and praise  
Here to adore You for all of our days  
We come before You with honor and praise**

Refrain:

**Lord of the heavens, how faithful You are  
Shine down upon us, oh Bright Morning Star  
Righteous and holy in all of Your ways  
We come before You with honor and praise**

**Filling the temple, the work of Your grace  
We come before You with honor and praise  
Here to adore You for all of our days  
We come before You with honor and praise (refrain)**

**Righteous and holy in all of Your ways  
We come before You with honor and praise  
Here to adore You for all of our days  
We come before You with honor and praise**

**BENEDICTION**

L: God loves you just the way you are, but God love you so much that God cannot allow you to remain unchanged.

**P: By the power of God's Spirit, we are being transformed from one degree of glory to another, all in Christ's name. Amen.**

**SENDING SONG** *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

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**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your word Lord, and let there be light!**