



Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

GOD SO LOVED
THE WORLD,
THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY
BEGOTTEN SON,
THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH
IN HIM
SHOULD NOT PERISH,
BUT HAVE EVERLASTING
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDITATIVE THOUGHT

"Anything will give up its secrets if you love it enough. Not only have I found that when I talk to the little flower or to the little peanut they will give up their secrets, but I have found that when I silently commune with people, they give up their secrets also - if you love them enough."
-George Washington Carver

PRELUDE • *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* - Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

We are the salt of the earth.

We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

We are the light of the world.

We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

Come, let us love one another with the love of God. Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus. -Rev Mindi, and posted on Rev-o-lution. <http://rev-o-lution.org/>

PRAYER OF ADORATION

God of light and truth, we don't really fully understand You. How Could we? You are so bright we can't really look at You. You are so awesome, we know this and still cannot fully express it. But you sent Jesus to help us to show us love in person. We praise You and thank You, with words and music and action. For you have shown us truth and love. Our hearts are overwhelmed by the extravagance of such a gift. In Christ our Lord, Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE • *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?*

CALL TO CONFESSION

According to the Psalmist, "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise." Therefore, in humility let us approach God and pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION - ADAPTED FROM PSALM 86 BY NOLAN PALSMA

In the day of my trouble I will call to You, for You will answer me. When I have done what is wrong and displeasing in Your sight, O Lord, extend Your love to correct me. When I ignore those in need and pretend that all is right with the world, O Lord, help me to face the truth. When I turn a blind eye to those who have been stricken with poverty and are facing the injustices that come along with it, O Lord, inspire me to action. Enable me to extend Your love; and give me an undivided heart, that I will praise the One whose name is above all names. O Lord my God, with all my heart, I pray, Amen.
(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will, but to do the will of God who sent me. And this is the will of Him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those God has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day." -John 6:37-40

RESPONSE • *Gloria Patri*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(Children, parents, and other adults may remain seated in their pews.)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 36:25-28

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 3:1-21

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Loved to Love" • The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess

THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH • *Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come
to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE • *Jesus, Remember Me*

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Alleluia, Amen* • arr. Buckwalter

OFFERTORY RESPONSE Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION 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.**

HYMN • *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory*

**Swiftly pass the clouds of glory,
heaven's voice, the dazzling light;
Moses and Elijah vanish;
Christ alone commands the height!
Peter, James, and John fall silent,
turning from the summit's rise
downward toward the shadowed valley
where their Lord has fixed his eyes.**

**Glimpsed and gone the revelation,
they shall gain and keep its truth,
not by building on the mountain
any shrine or sacred booth,
but by following the Savior
through the valley to the cross
and by testing faith's resilience
through betrayal, pain, and loss.**

**Lord, transfigure our perception
with the purest light that shines,
and recast our life's intentions
to the shape of your designs,
till we seek no other glory
than what lies past Calvary's hill
and our living and our dying
and our rising by your will.**

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE • *March in D* - Handel

✠ SERVING TODAY ✠

OFFICIATING MINISTER

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor

ASSISTING MINISTER

The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor

MUSICIANS

Director of Music: Justin Chase

Organist: Penny Walsh

Westminster Ringers: Janet Barnes, Justin Chase, Alan Davis, Dana Irwin,
Jayne Leach, Sevilla Morse, Doug Reece, Jan Reker, Holly Small, Dawn Sumrall,
George Sumrall, Sarah Thomas, Emily Wasser, Susan Davis-Director

AUDIO/VISUAL

Carole Reece

Doug Reece

Nelson Roe

MUSIC NOTES

Our CCLI License number is 11184426, and our OneLicense.net number is 725233.



A decorative border of red hearts surrounds the text. The hearts are arranged in a rectangular frame, with 15 hearts on each of the top and bottom edges, and 14 hearts on each of the left and right edges.

❧ ANNOUNCEMENTS ❧

Welcome

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! We will continue to offer our worship services online. Sermons can be found at www.winppc.org/sermons.

Sympathy

Congregational sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Sara Van Arsdel, whose husband, Bob Green, passed on February 9th. Bob passed from COVID-19 after a hard-fought battle. Please keep their family in your thoughts and prayers. Service information is pending.

Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday, February 17 WPPC will mark the beginning of Lent with an Ash Wednesday worship service at 7:00 PM. This service will be held in-person and will also be streamed live.

Lenten Booklet

A Lenten Devotional Booklet is now available. This booklet is filled with beautiful devotions you can enjoy through Lent. A \$3 per copy donation is being requested to offset the printing costs.

WPPC Ringers

The WPPC Ringers choir is looking for a few new members. Rehearsals are on Sundays from 11:45-12:30 in the sanctuary. We wear masks and are socially distanced. We record something for worship when we have it ready. The music is not difficult, and learning to ring is fun if you've never done it before. Experienced or new ringers are most welcome. Please contact Dana Irwin (407-678-0406) for more information and a pep talk about why YOU should join us!

Pastoral Care

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please contact us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer. Please contact Dr. Darren Bess at darrenb@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 103. For pastoral emergencies when the church office is closed, call 407-647-1467 x 112.

Publicity

If you have a church event that needs to be publicized in the church bulletin, newsletter, etc., please fill out the form located at <http://winppc.org/publicity-request/>.

Transportation for Church Events

If you are in need of transportation to a church event, please contact the church office at least 24 hours in advance, and every effort will be made to accommodate your need.

<i>The Session</i>			<i>The Diaconate</i>		
<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Phillip Anderson III	Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Mike Galyean	Susan Davis	Ron Ellman
Lisa Dreasher	Bonnie Gaughan	Fred Kittinger	Reta Jackson	Jane Munns	Betty Johnston
Jayne Leach	Fran Morrissey	Malcolm MacDiarmid	Julie Kent	Rachel Myers	Sevilla Morse
Shaheed Mohammed	Michelle Trahan	Jim McKinney	Curtis Koon	Christine Rich	Cynthia Nants
Nelson Roe	Jay Van Hook	Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel	Dennis Schmalstig	Jyme Smith
			Jeanne Vinci	Meg Ball Thomas	

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Ball, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine
Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine
Dennis & Susan Walters, *SIL*, East Asia
Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, *Wycliffe*, Nigeria
Dr. Anne Hallum, *A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)*, Guatemala

PC(USA) World Missions

Rev. Gordon & Dorothy Gartrell, Brazil
Jenny Bent, Dominican Republic
Mark Hare, Haiti; Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

Staff

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The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor
Justin Chase, Director of Music
Penny Walsh, Organist
Susan Davis, Director of Handbells & Children's Music

Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
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