

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

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This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!



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A Reconciling in Christ congregation

*Ruth said [to Naomi], "...Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge."
~Ruth 1:16b*

WORDS OF WORSHIP

GOD GATHERS

GATHERING MUSIC

See the Lord of Life and Light
J S Bach

Miriam Haddon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In respect and repentance toward indigenous peoples, we confess promises broken over the years.

L: God unites us in worship today, many of us by water and on land stewarded since time immemorial by the Suquamish, Port Gamble S'Klallam, and other peoples of the Salish Sea.

L: Please take this time of silence to empty yourself and set aside the cares of your own life, so that God might use this worship time to fill you with Word and grace and open you to your kin-dom work in the world. As you breathe into this silence, close your eyes, take a deep breath in through your nose, out through your mouth, and repeat.

GATHERING SILENCE

L: To you, O God,

C: All hearts are open, to you all desires known.

We come to you, confessing our sins

knowing that you will abundantly pardon.

Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love.

Show us your ways; restore us in hope;

and lead us in justice and truth,

for the sake of your goodness

in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

L: By the tender mercy of our God, you are united with Jesus Christ, in whom you are forgiven. Rest now in the peace of Christ, and rise in the hope of always being made new.

C: Amen

OPENING HYMN *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Kathleen Thomerson

1. I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 2. I want to see .. the bright-ness of God. I want to look at Je - sus.
 3. I'm look-ing for .. the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 When we have run .. with pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

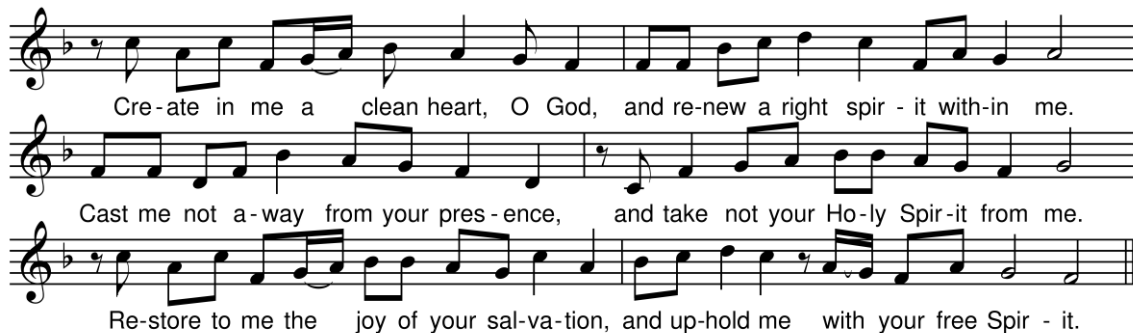
In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the day are both a - like.

The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

L: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE


Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir - it with-in me.
Cast me not a-way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me.
Re-store to me the joy of your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray...

... In Jesus' name we pray. **C: Amen**

*GOD SPEAKS***THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**


Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

BIBLE READING

Mark 8:27—9:8

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who

lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.” 9 ¹And he said to them, “Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power.”

²Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

L: Word of God for the people of God. **C: Thanks be to God.**

[Related Reading: Psalm 27:1-4; Reading for next week: Mark 10:17-31; Psalm 19:7-10]

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Paul Davis

SERMON

Pastor Kent Shane

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

This time of silence is an opportunity to meditate on the Word of God as spoken in Scripture and sermon.

CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES’ CREED

L: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: 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

After each portion of the prayers:

L: God our teacher and healer, **C: hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

L: ... through Jesus Christ our savior. **C: Amen**

INVITATION TO FAITHFUL GENEROSITY

[Online giving portal](#) →



L: Who do you say that I am?

Everything we do or say answers this question for the world, and our actions reflect on the image of God in the world. Your generosity of your selves and your wealth is part of that reflection: showing God’s abundant generosity and showing God’s love through the ministries you support. During this music offering, please:

- Prayerfully consider how thankfully generous you can be in your online or onsite giving to the ministries of PFLC
- Give thought toward an additional donation of money or food designated for community feeding programs
- Consider volunteering to serve a community meal. You may submit receipts to PFLC for reimbursement for the food (see the Serving article in the Grapevine)
- Fill out the Keeping in Touch form (QR code on the back of the bulletin or paper copy to add to your offering).

MUSIC OFFERING(9:00) *Jesus on the Mountain Peak*

Brian Wren, Mark Sedio

Cathedral Choir

Debbie Collier, Director

MUSIC OFFERING(10:30)

Nocturne

John Field

Miriam Haddon

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: Alleluia! God is with you!

C: And also with you.

L: Let us give thanks to our God.

C: We give God thanks and praise.

L: In the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat: this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD’S PRAYER

C: 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 and ever. Amen

THE DISTRIBUTION

We are all united as the Body of Christ in Holy Communion today. After we sing the “Lamb of God” together, the online community will commune together. Please gather your communion elements now.

The onsite community will process forward during the communion hymn and receive communion by intinction.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE ONLINE ASSEMBLY COMMUNES TOGETHER

L: The body of Christ, given for you. (*eat the bread*)
The blood of Christ, shed for you. (*drink the wine*)

COMMUNION HYMN *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Liturgy of St. James/French folk tune



1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,
3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard on the way;
4. At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye,



pon - der noth-ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,
as the Light of light, de - scend - ing from the realms of end - less day,
veil their fac - es to the pres - ence, as with cease-less voice they cry:



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom-age to de - mand.
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n-ly food.
comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark-ness clears a - way.
"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

When the congregation has been united in the meal, the pastor will say the table blessing:

L: The body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **C: Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Holy One, we give you thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal Word, our Savior Jesus Christ.

C: Amen

GOD SENDS

BENEDICTION

L: May the God who holds your todays and tomorrows, the God who is your promised Savior, the God who accompanies you in the world, ✕ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

Go to the World

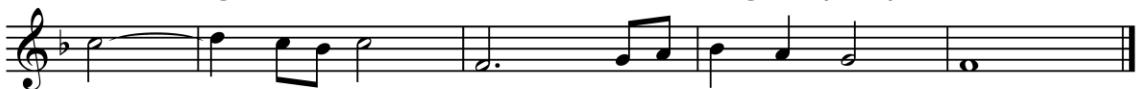
Sylvia G. Dunstan/Ralph Vaughan Williams



1. Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth. Go preach the cross where
2. Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place. Go live the word of
3. Go to the world! Go strug- gle, bless, and pray; the nights of tears give
4. "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you



Christ re - news life's worth, bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 God's re - deem - ing grace. Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 way to joy - ous day. As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"



Al - - - le - lu - ia. Al - - - le - lu - ia.



SENDING

L: Equipped by the promises God made to you in baptism and strengthened in you at this table, go and live your calling:

Proclaim Christ through word and deed;
serve all people and the world God made;
strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

C: We will, because we are people gathered and sent in the love of Christ!

SENDING MUSIC

Praeludium in D Minor
J S Bach

Thoughts on God:

SERVING THE ASSEMBLY TODAY

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| Worship Leader (9:00): | Melinda Madamba (she/her) |
| Worship Leader (10:30): | Scarlett Madamba (she/her) |
| Preacher: | Pastor Kent Shane (he/him) |
| Children's Sermon: | Paul Davis (he/him), Director of Faith Formation |
| Accompanist: | Miriam Haddon (she/her) |
| Music Director: | Debbie Collier (she/her) |
| Streaming Technician: | Asjah Jett (she/her) |
| Usher (9:00): | Rick Gunderson |
| Usher (10:30): | Eric Kerttula |
| Acolyte (9:00): | Sharon Brown |
| Acolyte (10:30): | Jim & Mary Angerer |

PFLC VISION STATEMENT

People gathered and sent in the love of Christ.

PFLC GUIDING PRINCIPLE

How can we best demonstrate the love of Christ?

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