

March 2, 2025 3:00 p.m.



The Transfiguration Of Our Lord

PRELUDE

Variations on PUER NOBIS

M. Burkhardt

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CHORAL INTROIT

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
(by Kathleen Thomerson)

HOUSTON

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#505 Be Thou My Vision
(tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne & Eleanor H. Hull)

SLANE

***INVOCATION AND 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 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Giver of life and every breath,
you made us a people to dwell together in harmony,
but we have distanced ourselves from your love
and built walls between us.
Privilege, patriarchy, and prejudice
have silenced and disempowered many.

But you call us to action and transformation.
Help us to see ourselves in every living being on earth.
Mold us into a unified community
that reflects your justice.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

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.

ANTHEM

Ancient Words with "Amazing Grace"

P. Keveren

FIRST MEDITATION

Dawn Stiles

Judges 4:4-10 Read from the NRSV Bible
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

#628 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High PUER NOBIS

SECOND MEDITATION

Jo-Ann Badley

Matthew 2:9-15 Read from the NRSV Bible
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

***HYMN OF APPROACH**

#166 We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

PLEADING SAVIOR

GATHERING AT THE TABLE

***The Passing of the Peace**

***Affirmation of Faith: The 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 Spirit,
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 sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty
from there he shall come to judge
the quick 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.

**catholic means the church universal or the church for all time*

The Bread

The Cup

All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to partipate

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

T. Shaw

***New Doxology**

Marco Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing.
All creation, shout and sing!
Praise three Persons, yet one Love:
Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

***Prayer of Gratitude**

***HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY**

#310 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above
(tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox)

MIT FREUDEN ZART

***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you.

People: And also with you.

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Festive Finale

P. Lehenbauer

***Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Leading Worship - Rachael Borley;
Scripture Reading - Esther Steeves, Alex Bayne;
Communion Preparation - Darren & Lynn Martin, Allan Effa;
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music
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— FBC Council