

WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC *Adagio*, BWV 564 Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CENTERING SILENCE The Rev. Dr. James Butler

* **UNISON INTROIT** (Hymn 297, v. 4)
*Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love. For you are within us, around us, above.
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow. In Christ is our calling, in him may we grow.*

* **OPENING SENTENCES** (2 Cor. 4:6) Marie Andrews
May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
God has made light to shine in our hearts.
The light brings us to the knowledge of God's glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

* **HYMN 189** "O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair" DEO GRACIAS

* **ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**
Beloved in Christ: God is with us.
We are not alone!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

UNISON CONFESSION
God of comfort and mystery, sometimes we speak when we should be listening, and we respond when we should wait and watch. When we are searching for guidance and meaning, help us to become still and wait for your glory. When your light appears and our waiting ends, grant us grace and courage to take the next right step as we follow the pathway of Jesus, in whom your glory was revealed to the world. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SUNG RESPONSE
*You are the Lord, giver of mercy! You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!*

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.180)

ANTHEM *Author of life divine* Cecilia McDowall
Author of life divine, who hast a table spread, furnished with mystic wine and everlasting bread, preserve the life thyself hast given, and feed and train us up for heaven. Our needy souls sustain with fresh supplies of love, till all thy life we gain, and all thy fullness prove, and strengthen by thy perfect grace, behold without a veil thy face.

* **GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 9:28-36 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.69)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 487, v. 1)
*These treasured children present now are bound to us by sacred vow.
With love, we make a heartfelt claim to welcome them in Jesus' name.*

SERMON "Woo Woo' Comfort" Dr. Butler
"They appeared in glory and were discussing his departure."

WE PRAY AND GATHER AT THE TABLE

* **HYMN 286** "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" TRENTHAM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

OFFERTORY *Here, O My Lord* arr. Peter Pindar Stearns

* **DOXOLOGY** (Hymn 606)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

* **INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (see insert)

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

* **HYMN 193** "Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain" UNSER HERRSCHER

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **DEPARTING MUSIC** *Toccata in C, BWV 564* J.S. Bach
The people are welcome to depart or remain seated while the Departing Music is played.

Our Mission

To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship,
service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

Staff

The Rev. Dr. James Butler, Pastor
The Revs. Dr. Steve and Dr. Cinda Gorman, Parish Associates
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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration of the Lord

March 2, 2025

10 a.m.
