

**Order of Worship Service  
FEBRUARY 19, 2023  
Transfiguration Sunday**

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<b>PRELUDES</b>	Andante (from “Pastorale in F”) – J.S. Bach Fairest Lord Jesus – Dale Wood
<b>WELCOME</b>	
<b>CALL TO WORSHIP</b>	
<b>OUR RESPONSE -HYMN #452</b>	Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (LEMMEL)
<b>CHOIR</b>	Christ Upon the Mountain Peak (Hymn #180) – Cyril Taylor
<b>HYMN #62</b>	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (ST. DENIO)
<b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>	Exodus 24:12-18 <b>Reader: <i>The Word of the Lord.</i> Congregation response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i></b>
<b>CHOIR</b>	High Upon a Mountain – Lloyd Larson
<b>PRAYER OF BLESSING</b>	
<b>HYMN #115</b>	Fairest Lord Jesus (CRUSADER’S HYMN)
<b>PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE</b>	Wilma Wiens <b>Leader: <i>Lord, in your mercy</i> Congregational Response: <i>Hear our prayer</i></b>
<b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>	Matthew 17:1-9 <b>Reader: <i>The Word of the Lord.</i> Congregation response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i></b>
<b>SOLO</b>	Shine, Jesus, Shine – arr. Mark Hayes
<b>MESSAGE</b>	Life in the Lowlands Interrupted Don Friesen
<b>HYMN VIDEO</b>	Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies (RATISBON) <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=chnIE-CnZYU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=chnIE-CnZYU</a>
<b>BENEDICTION</b>	
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	Trumpet Tune – Henry Purcell

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Worship Leader	- Yummy Alarape
Minister of Pastoral & Spiritual Care	- Wilma Wiens
Minister of Music	- Margot Sim
Scripture Readers	- Yummy Alarape, Don Friesen
Soloists	- David Watson, Krista Labossiere

**NEXT SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 26:** Don Friesen will be speaking on “The Four Temptations of Christ” with scriptures Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 and Matthew 4:1-11

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**TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS** (Helen Lemmel)

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of his glory and grace.

**CHRIST UPON THE MOUNTAIN PEAK** (Brian Wren)

Christ upon the mountain peak stands alone in glory blazing.  
Let us, if we dare to speak, with the saints and angels praise him:  
Alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking.  
All the prophets and the law shout through them their joyful greeting;  
Alleluia!

This is God's beloved Son: law and prophets fade before him.  
First and Last, and only One, let creation now adore him!  
Alleluia!

**IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE** (Walter Chalmers Smith)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes.  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might.  
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above,  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small.  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all.  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish, but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.  
All praise we would render, O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

**EXODUS 24:12-18** (NRSV)

**12** The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." **13** So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. **14** To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." **15** Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. **16** The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. **17** Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. **18** Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

**HIGH UPON A MOUNTAIN** (Trilby Jordan)

**Chorus:** High upon a mountain, in a quiet place,  
They were prayin', prayin', prayin'.  
Peter James and John with Jesus in that place

they were prayin', prayin', prayin'.

When there came forth from the face of Jesus  
A brilliant light gleaming like sun.  
His raiment all a-glow and white as the whitest snow  
With radiance brightly shining. **Chorus**

Then appeared Elijah with Moses at his side,  
Speaking to Jesus of the coming days,  
Speaking of Jerusalem and of great sorrow,  
Speaking of destiny. **Chorus**

High upon a mountain Peter, James and John  
Heard the power of Christ proclaimed:  
"This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.  
My beloved Son in whom I'm pleased." **Chorus**

**FAIREST LORD JESUS** (Brian Wren)

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,  
O thou of God and man the Son,  
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,  
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown!

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,  
And all the twinkling, starry host.  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Saviour! Lord of the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honour, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be thine!

**MATTHEW 17:1-9** (NRSV)

**17** Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>3</sup>Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup>And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

**SHINE, JESUS, SHINE** (Graham Kendrick)

Lord, the light of your love is shining in the midst of the darkness, shining.  
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us, shine on me.

**Chorus:** 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!

Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance.  
By the blood I may enter your brightness,  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness, shine on me.

**Chorus**

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness,  
Ever changing from glory to glory,  
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story, shine on me.

**Chorus**