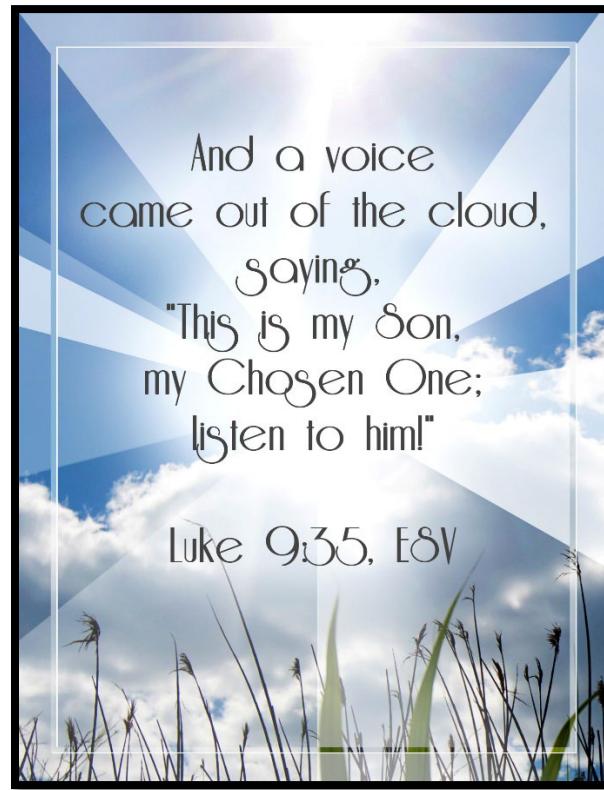


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Transfiguration of our Lord



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**In cooperation with Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church
and former Beach United Methodist Church**

Throughout the service

the congregation reads aloud the bold print

Prelude/Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

We gather and worship in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to Whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

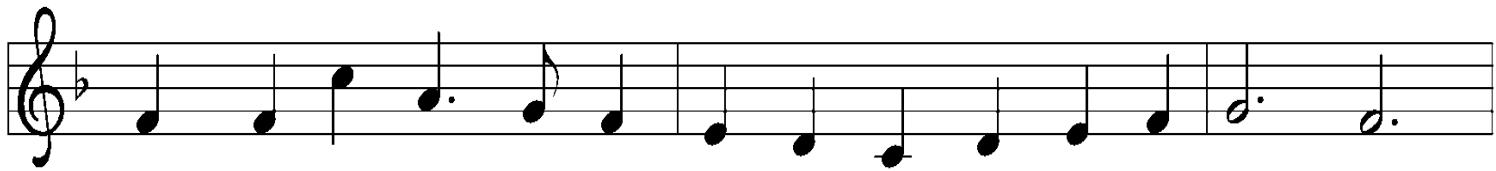
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God Who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most Merciful God,

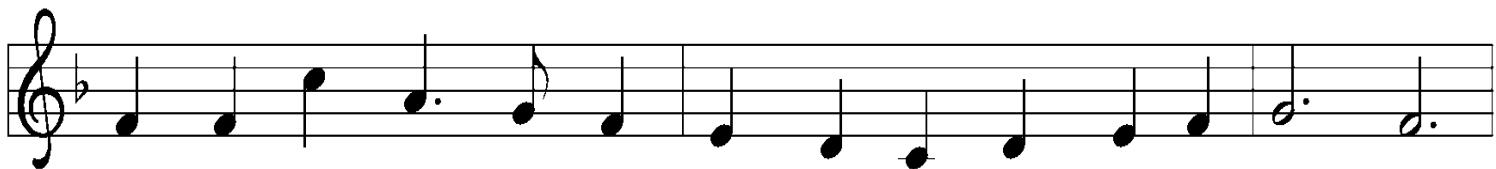
We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your Will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen!

Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sin, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen!**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



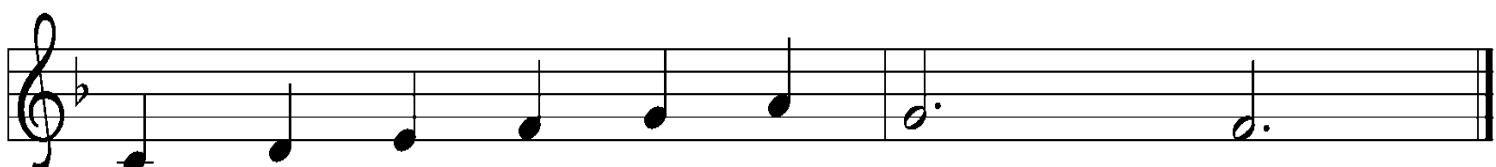
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
if with his love he be - friend you.
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Greeting The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you

Prayer of the Day

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men, A-men.

Call to Worship from Psalm 99

¹ The LORD is king; let the people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

**² The LORD, 'great in Zion,
is high above all peoples.**

³ Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;
God is the Holy One.

**⁴ O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established
equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in
Jacob.**

⁵ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before
God's footstool; God is the Holy One.

**⁶ Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel
among those who call upon your name, O LORD,
they called upon you, and you answered them,**

⁷ you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept your
testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

**⁸ O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished
them for their evil deeds.**

⁹ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon
God's holy hill; for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

The first reading is from 2nd Peter, the 1st chapter

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

PLEASE STAND FOR 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. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 17th chapter

Glory to you, O Lord

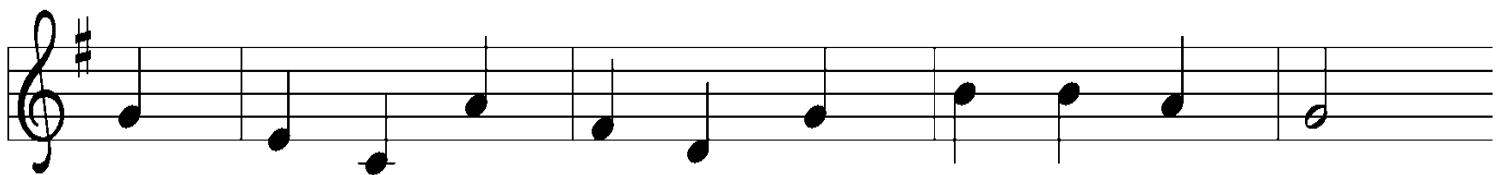
¹ Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸ And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹ 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."

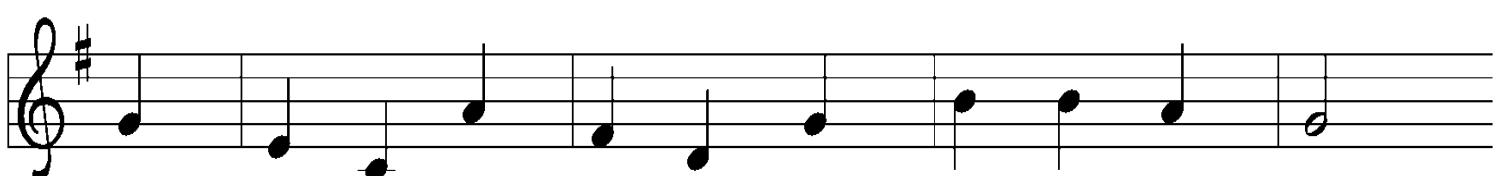
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon – Rev. Tom Frey

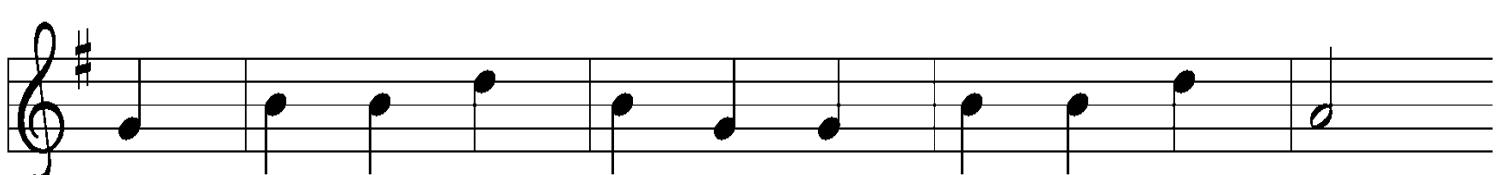
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



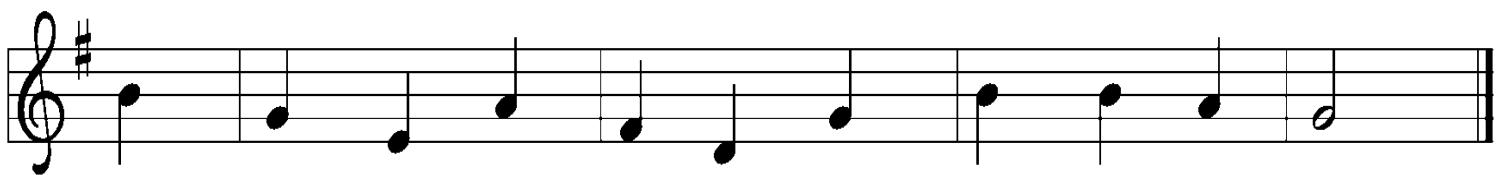
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun-tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
thy clouds which are foun-tains of good - ness and love.
and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen-dor of light hid - eth thee!

Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed

**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 Christian church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

(Congregation will respond to each petition with
Receive our prayer)

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

Offering & Special Music

Choir offering – Goodness of God

Offering Prayer

God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.
Use what we have gathered
to feed us with the reign of God come near,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray

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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
Come to the table; taste and see.

All are welcome

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

Blessing The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his Grace.

Prayer after Communion

Radiant God,
we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
In the sacrament of his body and blood
you have drawn us to your heart.
Send us from this table with delight,
that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,
and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Benediction

As you go on your way,
May God go with you!
May He go before you..to show you the way;
May He go behind you...to encourage you;
Beside you...to befriend you;
Above you...to watch over you;
And within you...to give you His Peace!
In the Name of the Father, and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen
God of endings and beginnings,
God in the darkness and the light,
God, our hope for the journey,
☩ bless and keep you now and forever. **Amen.**

“Go Now in Peace”

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, Amen, Amen

Go in peace. Serve the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERVING TODAY

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Easter Information

Here's what our schedule will be for Lent and Easter:

Feb. 18 Ash Wednesday

Service at 9:00 am

Imposition of ashes

April 2 Maundy Thursday

Service at 9 am

April 3 Good Friday

Service at 6 pm

April 5 Easter

Son Rise Service 7:00 am Bayside Park

Service 9:00 am at church

Service 10:30 am at church

Flowers today were given by Sigrid Franz in memory of Helmut Franz