

May the Spirit of all Truth open our minds today as we read and study Your Word. May we be willing to be led into all truth and to be taught what is the will of the Father in our lives. And give us a willing heart and the opportunity to share with others the pearls of truth You would teach us today. In Jesus' name. Amen!

BIBLE READINGS -

Exodus 24:12-18 (Page 78)

2 Peter 1:16-21 (Page 1204)

Matthew 17:1-9 (Page 973)

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MUSICAL REFLECTION

SERMON: *“We are His Witnesses”*

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HYMN: 547 *“Be Thou My Vision”*

NOTICES - Ash Wednesday Combined Service - Lower North Shore Zone Uniting Churches - 22 February 2023 6:00 pm, here at St. Andrew's. Please come and join!

- **World Day of Prayer - Friday 3 March 2023 10:30 am, here at St. Andrew's. Theme “I have Heard About Your Faith” prepared by women of Taiwan. Guest speaker Rev. Myung Hwa Park. Everyone welcome!**
- **Movie/Pizza Night - 6:30 pm Tuesday 7 March 2023.**

OFFERING - *“Honour the Lord with your wealth”*. Proverbs 3:9

HYMN: 315 *“Mine Eyes have Seen the Glory”*

BENEDICTION

Let us go forth into the world in peace and dedicated to Your service, O Lord. Let us hold fast to that which is good, strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak, help the needy and the afflicted, and honour all people. Let us love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of His Spirit. And may God's blessing be upon us and remain with us always. **Amen!**

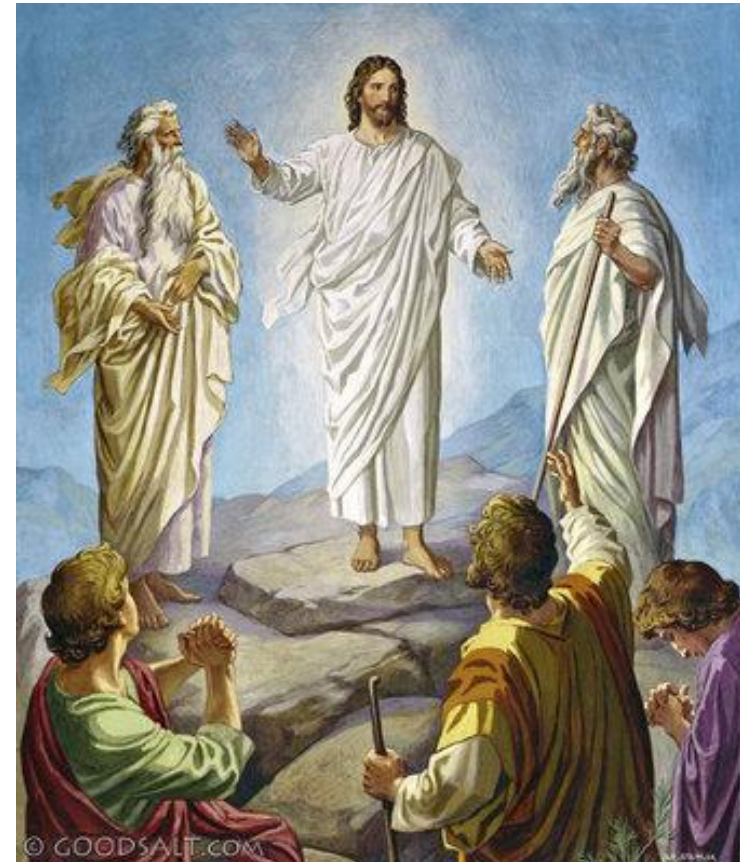
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ORDER OF SERVICE
Transfiguration Sunday
19 February 2023

CALL TO WORSHIP

“O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. *Psalm 95:1-3*

HYMN: 234 “*How Good, Lord, to Be Here!*”

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 99 *Page 593*

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord, we thank You for the splendour with which You have filled all creation; for the immensity and extent of the universe, which defies our understanding; and for the beauty of our world, which is greater than our words to describe it.

We praise You for the place You have given us in Your creation.

SONG – “*He Is Exalted*”

THE GLORY OF THE LORD IS YOUR LIGHT

Arise, shine, for your light has come;

the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Though night still covers the earth

and darkness covers the nation,

over you will the Lord arise,

over you will God's glory appear.

Nations will stream to your light,

and kings to your dawning brightness.

At this sight you will grow radiant,

your heart will thrill and rejoice;

for the riches of the sea will flow to you,

the wealth of the nations will come to you.

They will bring gold and frankincense,

singing the praise of the Lord.

They will come up, for acceptance, to My altar,

to adorn the Temple of My glory.

Your gates will always be open;

day or night, they will never be shut.

They will call you, The City of the Lord,

The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence will no more be heard in your land,

ruin or destruction within your borders;

You will name your walls, Salvation,

you will call your gates, Praise.

No longer will the sun be your light by day,

no longer the moon give you light by night;

The Lord will be your eternal light,

your God will be your glory.

Isaiah 60:1-3, 5, 6b, 7b, 11a, 14a, 18, 19

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things and judge of all men. We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against Your Divine Majesty, provoking most justly Your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, to the honour and glory of Your Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear then Christ's word of grace to us: Your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

TIME TO PRAY

In silence please offer your prayers to the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: 597 “*Master, Speak, Thy Servant Heareth*”

PRAYER BEFORE READINGS

Lord, it was You who caused all Scripture to be written for our learning. Teach us today in the power of Your Holy Spirit, the truths that You would have us learn.