



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Established
October 4, 1851
Madison, Wisconsin*

February 23, 2020
9:00 am Classical Worship
Transfiguration of the Lord

*While Peter 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!”*

~Matthew 17: 5

The Organ Prelude

*Please respect the listening atmosphere in the Sanctuary
by refraining from conversation during the Prelude.*

- I. Chorales on Two Welsh Hymn Tunes
Hyfrydol (Hymnal No. 366) Paul Manz
Rhosymedre Ralph Vaughan Williams
- II. From Antiphons Marcel Dupré
III. *Nigra sum* V. *How fair and how pleasant*
- III. Chorales on “*Wer nur den lieben Gott*”
(*If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee* — Hymnal No. 816)
Georg Böhm Georg Neumark Helmut Walther Johann Sebastian Bach

***A Community centered in Christ:
gathering in love, growing by grace, going forth to serve.***

We Gather in Love

The Introit *This is My Beloved Son*

Knut Nystedt

Please stand for **The Call to Worship**

Greetings in the brightness of this hour!

Let us open our hearts to the transforming power of God.

We seek to let God's vision become our vision.

Let us open our hearts to the special word God has for us this day.

We seek to be channels through which the Lord's grace touches our lives and the lives of others.

Let us open our spirits to the revelation God has for us.

We seek to be transformed so that Christ's ministry becomes our own.

Let us then sing praise to God!

The Hymn of Praise

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair (Deo Gracias)

Glory to God, No. 189

The Prayer of the Day

The Gloria Patri

Glory to God, No. 581

You may be seated.

The Prayer of Confession

We come to worship challenged by the Scriptures, by events of our world today, by people experiencing massive dislocations in their lives, and by our own expectations of ourselves. Let us now confess our sins to God.

Precious Lord, we come into the brightness of your glory knowing that we have fallen short in so many ways this week.

There have been times when your light showed us the path to take, but we did not take it because it looked difficult.

There have been times you gave us someone to love, but we were so caught up in our own anxieties that we did not respond.

There have been times you called us forward, but we lagged behind rather than respond to the challenge of discipleship.

There have been times when we could have been peacemakers, but we would not be budged from our attitudes of indifference.

Redeem us and transform us by the radiance of your love that we may continually become the persons you had in mind when You created us. Amen.

Our Silent Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

Hear these words of assurance: "God raises us up to be joint heirs with Christ."

As the Psalmist wrote: "Whoever is wise, let them give heed to these things; let them consider the steadfast love of the Lord."

In God's steadfast love, we are forgiven and made whole!

Thanks be to God!

**Welcome-
We are glad YOU
are here!**



*A Hearing Loop
Is installed and available.
Switch your hearing aid
to "T-Cell".*

*Please ask an Usher if you
need assistance.*

*Before worship, please
silence cell phones and
other electronic devices.*

**Please stand
as you are able.*

*Congregational spoken
responses appear
in **bold type**.
Hymns and sung
responses will be found in
the "Glory to God"*

***Hymnal**
under the seat
in front of you.*

***Please join us —**
after Worship today
for coffee
and fellowship
in the Gathering Hall,
outside of Sanctuary.
Whether you are a long-
time member, or a
visitor, we'd like to get
to know you!*



The Transfiguration of Christ
as depicted by
Raphael, c. 1520

"After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There He was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them...Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: 'This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!' (Mark 9)

The Transfiguration of Jesus Christ was a visible sign — in the presence of reliable witnesses — of the reality and the power of God and the glory, which is Christ Jesus.

Please stand for

The Response of Praise *Let the Peoples Praise Thee (Ps. 67)* Jane Marshall
Sung as a Call and Response—the Quartet will lead you.

*Let the peoples praise thee, O God;
Let all the peoples praise thee!
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy.
God has blessed us;
Let all the ends of the earth — praise him!*

Remain standing to share **The Peace of Christ**
The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

The Doxology Glory to God, No. 606
You may be seated.

*Children ages 3-10 are excused at this time for Children's Chapel
in the Sunday School rooms downstairs.*

We Grow by Grace

News of the Church

A Minute for Mission Christian Witness

A Reading from the Old Testament Exodus 24: 12-18 Pew Bible, page 62

Hymn of Response *Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud* Glory to God, No. 11
In response to the Old Testament lesson, and in preparation for the Gospel and Message, we sing together a familiar hymn tune with new words that acknowledge the many images of the Triune God.

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew Chapter 17: 1-9 Pew Bible, page 798

The Message The Spiritual Need for Critical Distance
Dr. Robinson

The Invitation for Giving

The Offertory Anthem *Go Up to the Mountain of God* Michael Helman
*Go up, go up to the mountain of God,
where Christ, transfigured, shines like the morning star.*

Gaze in awe and wonder upon the beauty of Jesus the Lord: Alleluia!

Go up, go up to the mountain of God and speak with prophets Moses, Elijah.

Join with all the angels and saints in praising the incarnate Word: Alleluia!

Go up, go up to the mountain of God and hear the loving Father proclaiming:

"This is my beloved Son. Hear his word and follow his way. Alleluia!

Go up, go up to the mountain of God, and there renew your faith in the Son of God.

May your life of faith reflect the light of Christ to the world.

Alleluia, alleluia!

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.

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The Reception of New Members

We Go Forth to Serve

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Please stand for **The Sending Hymn** *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory* (Geneva)
Glory to God, No. 190

The Benediction

The Choral Benediction *Fourfold Amen* I.L. Jennings

The Organ Postlude *Chorale: If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee* J.S. Bach

Leading in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Tom Robinson
Liturgist: JohnMark Lau
Minute for Mission: Rich Henderson, Clinton Otte-Ford, Jean-René Watchou
Guest Organist: Mary Kay Burton
Music Director: Kathleen Otterson
Vocalists: The Chancel Choir
Flutist: Elise Blanchard
Acolytes: Veda Froeming, Esther Trewartha
Greeters and Ushers: Ron Wanek, Arlene Linn, Tom Kelly (Lead)
Val Bailey and David Rihn, Laurie Stephens Vance, Clinton Otte-FO
Sound Technician: Bryan Yates Slides: Scott Wilson

Next Sunday, March 1—The First Sunday of Lent

“Do Justice, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly with Your God

- 8:30am **The Organ Pre-Service** **Sanctuary**
Guest organist Mary Kay Burton offers classics for the organ to provide a time of contemplation before worship.
- 9:00am **Classical Worship** **Sanctuary**
Rev. Dr. Tom Robinson “To Do Justice”
Matthew 4: 1-11
- 10:00am **Faith Café** **Chapel**
Sunday School (children K-5) **Downstairs classrooms**
- 11:00am **Contemporary Worship** **Sanctuary**

Blessings on your week!