



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF
KIRKWOOD

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
February 11, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.
Transfiguration of the Lord

Mission: We are called to be a welcoming and supportive community whose inspiring worship of God encourages everyone to deepen their faith and to respond to the needs of the world with the compassion of Christ.



"Transfiguration" by JESUS MAFA

ORDER OF WORSHIP

_____ ***Please rise in body or in spirit.** _____

Chiming of the Hour

We encourage you to quiet your minds and hearts for worship at this time.

Welcome and Announcements

Sign the Friendship Register at the end of your pew and pass it to your neighbor.

Organ Voluntary

"Psalm XIX"

Benedetto Marcello

WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO GOD

***Call to Worship**

Leader: The glory of God shines like a consuming fire.

People: We have seen the glory of God in Jesus.

Leader: There is mystery at the heart of things and it is alive.

People: It sings a song into all that is dying and plain.

Leader: It is born of a wonder that only increases, for in exploring,
the wonder grows;

ALL: Come, let us wander into the mystery of God.

***Processional Hymn**

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Hymn #667

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Ever loving God, we gather here and acknowledge our failings, our inability to always follow your ways. We have tried to hide from you, to hide our failings, to hide our shortcomings, yet you have never hidden your love for us. Forgive and transform us so that our lives may shine with your glory, beauty and grace.

***Silent Confessions**

***Assurance of God's Grace**

***Congregational Response**

"The 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.**

***The Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share that peace with one another.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

2 Kings 2:1-12; Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 332

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Bell Anthem

"He Is King of Kings"

arr. Anna Laura Page

Scripture Reading

Mark 9:2-9; Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 44

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Thin Places

Rev'd. Gary Noonan

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn**

"Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory"

Hymn #190

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

**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 Sentences

Offertory Anthem

"Come Flood This Heart of Mine"

text: Herb Frombach

music: David Lantz

*Come flood this heart of mine with Your great love divine.
Come, Spirit, make Your home, my heart is Yours alone.
Come flood this heart of mine with Your pure joy divine.
My every sin forgive as one with You I live.
Come fill my heart, I am longing for Your power.
Your presence and peace will be mine this very hour.
Come fill my heart with Your Spirit in this place.
Let my heart overflow with the fullness of Your grace.
Make of this heart of mine a vessel wholly Thine.
Drive dark and doubt away, O fill me, Lord, I pray.
Come flood this heart of mine with Your true light divine.
Come flood this heart of mine!*

Prayer of Dedication

WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD

***Closing Hymn** "Praise God for This Holy Ground" Hymn #405

Benediction

Choral Response "God Be In My Head" Grayson W. Brown

*God be in my work, God be in my play,
God be in my home, God be in my prayer.
God be in my song, so that I may sing your praise;
God be in my night, God be in my day.*

Organ Voluntary "Jubilate" Fela Sowande

February is Black History Month and each week we will feature a piece of music (or two!) by a Black composer. The Middle School Ringers will play "He Is King of Kings", a traditional African-American Spiritual. Hayden's concluding Organ Voluntary is "Jubilate" by Fela Sowande, a Nigerian born composer and organist who now resides in the United States. Additionally, this week, our cover art is the piece, "Transfiguration" by JESUS MAFA. JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings was selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings.

Worship Leaders:

Rev'd. Gary Noonan, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Linda Maconochie, *Interim Associate Pastor*

Music Ministry:

Bill Stein, *Director of Music Ministries*; Hayden Vaughn, *Music Associate*;
Bill Wade, *Bell Director*; Andrea Brown, *violin*;
Chancel Choir; Middle School Ringers

Acolyte: Alice Butler

Cross Bearer: Sophie Robinson

Ushers: Pam Cooper, Jim Cooper, Cy Woodrome, Julie Woodroome,
Wayne Ullery, Julie Jackson

Assistant Head Ushers: Amy Freshwater, Larry Erwin, Art McDonnell

Usher Captain: Robert Schneider

Livestream Host: JD Wade
