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**TABLE**

Worship Gathering  
Transfiguration Sunday  
February 11, 2018

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*Gathering as the Body*

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Announcements / Call to Worship / Silence

## Opening Prayers

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Song: Rescuer (Good News)

*He's our Rescuer, He's our Rescuer*

*We are free from sin forevermore*

*Oh how sweet the sound, Oh how grace abounds*

*We will praise the Lord our Rescuer*

There is good news for the captive, good news for the shamed  
There is good news for the one who walked away  
There is good news for the doubter, the one religion failed  
For the good Lord has come to seek and save

He is beauty for the blind man, riches for the poor  
He is friendship for the one the world ignores  
He is pasture for the weary, rest for those who strive  
Oh the good Lord is the way the truth the life

So come and be chainless, come and be fearless  
Come to the foot of Calvary  
There is redemption for every affliction  
Here at the foot of Calvary

## Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## Blessing of the Children

The Lord be with you as you worship

**And also with you.**

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*Listening for the Word*

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## Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit,  
that in your light we may see light, in your truth find wisdom,  
and in your will discover your peace,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Scripture Reading *2 Kings 2:1-12*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Better is one day in Your courts / Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts / Than thousands elsewhere

## Responsive Psalm Reading *Psalm 50:1-6*

The Mighty One, God, the Lord, speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to where it sets.

**From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth.**

Our God comes and will not be silent;

a fire devours before him, and around him a tempest rages.

**He summons the heavens above,**

**and the earth, that he may judge his people:**

“Gather to me this consecrated people,  
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice.”  
**And the heavens proclaim his righteousness,  
for he is a God of justice.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## **Scripture Reading** *2 Corinthians 4:3-6*

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## **Gospel Reading** *Mark 9:2-9*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **Sermon**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

## **Song: The Transfiguration**

When he took the three disciples to the mountainside to pray  
His countenance was modified, his clothing was aflame  
Two men appeared: Moses and Elijah came; they were at his side  
The prophecy, the legislation spoke of whenever he would die

Then there came a word of what he should accomplish on the day  
Then Peter spoke, to make of them a tabernacle place  
A cloud appeared in glory as an accolade, they fell on the ground  
A voice arrived, the voice of God  
The face of God, covered in a cloud

What he said to them, the voice of God: the most beloved Son  
Consider what he says to you, consider what's to come  
The prophecy was put to death, put to death, and so will the Son  
And keep your word, disguise the vision 'till the time has come

Lost in the cloud, a voice. Have no fear! We draw near!  
Lost in the cloud, a sign. Son of man! Turn your ear.  
Lost in the cloud, a voice. Lamb of God! We draw near!  
Lost in the cloud, a sign. Son of man! Son of God!

## Prayers of the People

Glorious God, thank you that in the midst of \_\_\_\_\_,  
your presence is with me. Enable me to participate in your life  
as I follow Jesus in the way of the cross.  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*[Prayers for others and for the world]*

Lord, touch us,  
**and transfigure us.**

## Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God,**

**we confess that 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.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Though we were blinded by sin, God's saving light has been  
beamed into our hearts that we might see the radiant mercy of  
God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Sisters and Brothers, your sins are forgiven; be at peace.

# The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

# Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise him all creatures here below

Praise him above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen

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*Holy Communion*

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# Prayers Around the Table

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise!**

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



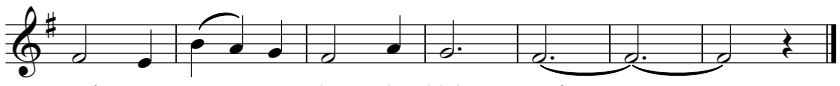
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the



high - est! Bless-ed is he who comes in the name



of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high -



est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!**

...Because you are one with us, O Christ,

make us one with you as we pray the prayer you taught us:



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, And  
Give us this day in our dai - ly bread. And  
hal - low - ed be thy name, thy king - dom  
for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for -  
come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
give those who tres - pass a - gainst  
heav'n. us. And lead us not in to temp - ta - tion  
but de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For thine is the king - dom, and the  
pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and  
ev - er. A - men.

...Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*All are welcome to come to the Lord's table. Come with open hands to receive the bread, dip it in the cup, and feed on Christ's presence, with thanksgiving.*

*If you are not a baptized Christian, come with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. (And let us know if you're interested in being baptized.)*

## **Song: Better Is One Day**

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty  
My soul longs and even faints for You  
For here my heart is satisfied, within Your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere

One thing I ask and I would seek, to see Your beauty  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells

My heart and flesh cry out, for You the living God  
Your spirit's water for my soul  
I've tasted and I've seen, come once again to me  
I will draw near to You, I will draw near to You

## **Song: We Will Feast In The House Of Zion**

*We will feast in the house of Zion  
We will sing with our hearts restored  
He has done great things we will say together  
We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the Lord our God  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld, protected, gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn - My soul be not afraid  
For the promised morning oh how long  
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together bring shalom

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Sending

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Sending and Blessing

Go now, and speak of what you have seen of God's glory.  
Do not cling to the holy moments  
when heaven overshadows you,  
but as the Lord lives, listen to Christ and follow him  
from the places of revelation  
to the places of mission.

And may God shine the light of glory into your hearts.  
May Christ be with you and never leave you.  
And may the Spirit renew the image of God within you.

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

**Thanks be to God.**

