



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, February 19, 2023

The Transfiguration of Jesus; Fifty days before Easter

**Please stand as you are able whether you are participating at home or in the sanctuary.*

Silent Prayer: God, on the holy mountain, you revealed to chosen witnesses, your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening. Mercifully grant that we, in the midst of the unease and disorientation of this world, by faith may behold our King in his beauty; who with you, Father, and you, Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen. *(Traditional)*

Music for Gathering

Medley of Hymns

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Opportunities for Life and Service

Kayely Rich

Morning Chimes

Mark Anderson

*The Introit

“Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)”
(Paul Baloche)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to you, we turn to you.

Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for you, we long for you.

When we're with you, we find strength to face the day,

In your presence all our fears are met, and from our hearts we say:

Hosanna! Hosanna! Life-light of God shine on us, you bring the age of ages.

Hosanna! Hosanna! You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises.

Hosanna! Hosanna!

Call to Worship

Klara Rich

Prayer of Invocation

Peregrin Holtslander

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Welcome

Grace Tabio, Adrianna Senger, William Skea

Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

#228

**Rejoice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**The Lord, our Saviour, reigns, the God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord and Judge shall come
And take his servants up to their eternal home:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

Children's Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Call to Confession

Lilen Wollbaum

Unison Confession of Sin

Kaleb Senger

Most merciful God, we confess that we have wandered from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much our own plans and desires. We have done wrong. We have failed to do what is right. And there is no health in us. Lord, have mercy on us. Wash away our sins as you promised to humanity in Christ Jesus our Lord. May we live disciplined, righteous and godly lives, to the glory of your holy name. In the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Approach

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

#88

**Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honour,
Thou, my soul’s glory, joy, and crown.**

**Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

**Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.**

**Beautiful Saviour! Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be thine.**

Epistle Lesson: 2 Peter 1:16-19 (p. 236, New Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 99

Leader: The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! The Lord sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The Lord is great in Zion; The Lord is exalted over all the peoples.

All: Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is the Lord!

Leader: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

All: Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is the Lord!

Leader: Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the Lord, and the Lord answered them.

All: The Lord spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.

Leader: O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

All: Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

*Gloria Patri

#623

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Gospel lesson: Matthew 17:1-9 (pp. 18-19, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

**“Shine, Jesus, Shine”
(Graham Kendrick)**

**Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us;
Shine on me, shine on me.**

Chorus:

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.**

**Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness;
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness;
Shine on me, shine on me.**

Chorus

**As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory;
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story;
Shine on me, shine on me.**

Chorus

Prayers of the People

Cheryl Johnston

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 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.

Our Gifts and Offerings

Rowan Russell-MacLean, Noah Senger, Isaac Rich

We Depart to Serve God

*Response of Praise

“Praise the Lord”
(Arr. Jeff Sotropa)

**Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow,
He has washed and made me white as snow.
I’m redeemed from all my sin and shame.
Now and forever, praise his holy name!
Praise his holy name! Praise his holy name!
To God be the glory now and forever,
Praise his holy name!**

*Benediction

Sara Orthner

Music for Departing

“O Thou Faithful God”
(Bach)

Mark Anderson

We would like to thank Rowan Russell-MacLean and Lizzy Rich for helping out with the ushering today.

Following the worship service, you are invited to the lower hall for “A Time for Friends” — an opportunity to fellowship with one another and enjoy some refreshments together.

For those of you on Zoom, after the Music for Departing, a breakout group will be formed. There is no obligation to stay if you need to be going. If you wish to take part, simply remain on Zoom to be invited to the group and hear how others are doing.

Coming up in February...

Tuesday, February 21st	Shrove Tuesday Celebration
Wednesday, February 22nd	Ash Wednesday Service
