

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 26, 2017

Transfiguration of the Lord

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book (“pew pad”) where you can also record any prayer requests. Our prayer is that you will experience the presence of the Living God as we worship together. We invite you to focus your heart and mind in worship.

** indicates please stand as you are able.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don Meekhof

PRELUDE

“Cantabile”

Organ

Dennis Eliot

CALL TO WORSHIP

Alex Colvin

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The Holy One is our sovereign.

Let us praise God’s great and awesome name!

Mighty ruler, lover of justice,

you have established fairness among us.

***SONGS OF WORSHIP:**

“ALL GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH”

(Hymn #8)

(Verse 1)

All glory be to God on high
and thanks to him forever!

Whatever Satan’s host may try,
God foils their dark endeavor.

He bends his ear to every call
and offers peace, good will to all,
and calms the troubled spirit.

(Verse 2)

O Father, for your lordship true
we give you praise and honor;
we worship you, we trust in you,
we give you thanks forever.

Your will is perfect, and your might
relentlessly confirms the right;
your lordship is our blessing.

(Verse 3)

Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son
of God, creation's author,
redeemer of your wandering ones,
and source of all true pleasure:
O Lamb of God, O Lord divine,
conform our lives to your design,
and on us all have mercy.

(Verse 4)

O Holy Spirit, perfect gift,
who brings us consolation:
to men and women saved by Christ
assure your inspiration.
Through sickness, need, and bitter death,
grant us your warm, life-giving breath;
our lives are in your keeping.

“HOLY SPIRIT, EVER DWELLING”

(Hymn #289)

(VERSE 1)

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high;
living, life imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.

(VERSE 2)

Holy Spirit, ever living as the Church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming in the Church the mind of Christ:
You we praise with endless worship
for your fruits and gifts unpriced.

(VERSE 3)

Holy Spirit, ever working through the Church's ministry;
quicken, strengthening, and absolving,
setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul
in communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

Call to Confession

Trusting in God's steadfast love,
let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

**Glorious God,
you are all wisdom
and a lamp to our feet,
yet we fail to listen to your guidance.
Forgive, heal us,
and lead us on,
that we may walk in your ways
and be happy in your refuge;
in Jesus our Christ we pray. Amen.**

[Silent Prayer]

Declaration of Forgiveness

the goof news of our faith is this:
if we call upon God we will be answered and forgiven.
that promise gives us peace and joy;
let us share that peace and joy
with one another. **Amen.**

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SONG OF WORSHIP:

please remain seated

"BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD

(Hymn #295)

(VERSE 1)

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

(VERSE 2)

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with thine,
to do and to endure.

(VERSE 3)

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,

until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

(VERSE 4)

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

Alex Colvin

Invitation to the Offering

Oh God, you have revealed to us
a law and a love that leads us into becoming
your own daughters and sons.

Therefore, let us gratefully give from that
which has first been given to us,
our lives, our talents, and our possessions. **Amen.**

***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.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

God of mountaintops and valleys,
be our vision of you clouded or brilliantly clear,
we faithfully add our gifts
to those being given all around us.
Bless these offerings that they may be transfigured
into your presence in the world.
Amen.

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*Bringing our gifts and / or lighting a candle... Please feel free to go to either
the front or the rear of the sanctuary.*

The children are excused at this time to attend Junior Chapel.

Offertory

"Manoah"

Organ

Attributes to G. Rossini

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Don Meekhof

2 Corinthians 3:17-18 (NIV)

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Luke 9:36-38 (NIV)

³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

Jesus Heals a Demon-Possessed Boy

³⁷ The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. ³⁸ A man in the crowd called out, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child..."

MESSAGE

Lily Fife

"Less planning, More Presence."

***SONG OF WORSHIP:**

"SING PRAISE TO THE LORD"

(Hymn #346)

(Verse 1)

Sing praise to the LORD; come, sing a new song.
Amid all his saints his praises prolong.
Let Israel be glad in their Maker and sing;
let all Zion's people rejoice in their King.

(Verse 2)

With timbrel and harp and joyful acclaim,
with dancing and song give praise to his name.
For God in his people his pleasure will seek,
with robes of salvation adorning the meek.

(Verse 3)

In glory exult, you saints of the LORD;
with songs in the night high praises accord.
Go forth in his service, be strong in his might
to conquer all evil and stand for the right.

(Verse 4)

For this is God's word: his saints shall not fail,
but over the earth their power shall prevail.
All kingdoms and nations shall yield to their sword
thus God shows his glory. Sing praise to the LORD!

BENEDICTION

Lily Fife

POSTLUDE

“The Solid Rock”

Organ

William Bradbury

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In the pulpit today: Lily Fife spent her childhood in Bakersfield, California and attended Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego, as a Christian Ministry Major. Degree in hand, she then served as the Children's Pastor of Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church in the beautiful Sierra Nevadas. She met her husband, Ben Fife, a third generation Spokaneite, at nearby Calvin Crest Camp. This California girl and Spokane boy settled in Spokane and had a little girl, Billie Irene. Lily is so grateful to share her love of storytelling, the gift of Jesus, and a bit of her life as a new mother with you this morning!