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February 14, 2021 – Transfiguration of Our Lord

10:30 AM - www.facebook.com/durhamlutheran

Prelude “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” - Stuart Townend- Piano

Welcome- Announcements - Introduction to Today’s Worship

Opening Hymn – “Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies” -ELW #553 vs. 1&3

553 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true and on - ly light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pa - nied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief;

Sun of righ-teous-ness, a - rise, tri-umph o'er the shades of night;
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer-cy's beams I see,
fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine, scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and your Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading- 2 Kings 2:1-12

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Psalm 50:1-6

The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken;
calling the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

²Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God shines forth in glory.

**³Our God will come and will not keep silence;
with a consuming flame before, and round about a raging storm.**

**⁴God calls the heavens and the earth from above to
witness the judgment of the people.**

**⁵“Gather before me my loyal followers, those who
have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”**

**⁶The heavens declare the rightness of God’s cause,
for it is God who is judge.**



The Holy Gospel - Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such a no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. The Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Message

Hymn - "Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises" - ELW #535 vs. 1&2

Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our

bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your

ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la.
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness. *End*

1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

Prayers and Intercessions:

Pastor: Hear our prayer, O God

People: Alleluia! Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Blessing

Dismissal- Pastor: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!

Postlude "Jesus Shall Reign" - John Hatton- Organ

Helping in Worship

Organist/Choir Director
Altar Guild
Lector
Technology Leader
Office Secretary
Custodian

- Carolyn Williams
- Miriam Anderson, Serena Ashmore
- Val McGinn
- Ken Anderson
- Jessica Mette
- Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Virtual Worship every Sunday at 10:30AM on Facebook.
- Virtual “Whirl” Sunday School every week on Facebook.
- “Outreach” offering in February will be divided equally and sent to Food banks: “The Lord’s Pantry” (Ottsville) and Project of Easton.

ATTENTION: Lent begins next Sunday, and our Ecumenical Midweek Lenten Series will begin this Wednesday, Ash Wednesday, February 17 at 7:00PM. Our Wednesday services will continue every Wednesday, thru March 24. Services will be offered via a “Zoom Room” you will receive an e-mail with a link to enter the Zoom Room. The link to the Zoom Worship will also be available to you through our Facebook Page.

Please lift up in prayer the following ...

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Esther Crouse; Norma Fox; Faye Gadwell; Virginia Hager; Betty & George Kreitz; Phyllis Lanshe; Silas Rodenbach; Hal Taylor; Linda Sauter; Carolyn Williams; and Joanne Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family: Phyllis Allebach; Brian Ashmore, Jr.; Lynn Bailey; Jason Bigley; Julia Bizon; Karen Bolesta; Kelly Bordelon; Phyllis Boyer; Melissa Carafa; Deb Carmichael; Josie Crown; De Lorenzo family; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Ken Garey; Candie Gimbar; Florence Gonzalez; Bob Helm; Kathy J.; Paige Jipner; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Jean Kaki; Jane Kemmerer; Martine King; Priscilla Kinter; Aleena Lang; Macey Litz; Barbara Lynch; Chelsea Marley; Warren & Pat Merkhams; Andrea Miller; Clint O’Connor; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Letitia Reidinger; Randy Rilling; Jill Roland; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Gary Shollenberger; Erma Starling; Donna Storm; Stephen Szalwinski; Yolanda Taube; Russ Trauger; Alex Ulrey; Linda Willson; and Michelle Woodruff. ALSO, Laura, Kelly, Charlie D, Charlie L., and Jane.

For those who are Homebound: Cleo and Ken Eck.

For the Grieving: The families of Reta Bieber; Helen Eby; Leah Kneebone; Duane Lehr; Elfriede and Manfred Marschewski; Sarah Rhine; Gerry Seipt; Lewis Snyder; and Rudolf von Watzdorf.

For those in Health Care: Including Sara Aquino, Debbie Angstadt; Kendell Beerer, Mary Crouse, Sara Deal Den Herder, Mary Erceg; Faye Gadwell; Morgan Litz; Tanya Naska; Kristi Lee Reiman; and Sharron Streletz.

Essential Food Workers: Bethany Michl, Trauger’s Farm

Essential Postal Workers: Andrea Fox and Dawn Margeson

New Baby: Please keep Brittany and Dan Froehlich and their newborn daughter, Olivia Dawn Froehlich, in your prayers. Olivia was born December 4, 2020.