

*The Transfiguration of Jesus by Carl Heinrich Bloch*

**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2023**  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.

## Gathering

(\* Please stand as you are able.)

### Gathering Chime

#### Prelude

*Prelude*

Dickson

Justin Dickson, Trumpet

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Introit

*Santo! Santo! Santo!*

arr. Moore

Youth and Chancel Choirs

#### \*Call to Worship

The Lord is Creator of all! May we tremble in awe.

**May we praise God's great and awesome name.**

Our Mighty God is a lover of justice,

**May we strive for equity and righteousness.**

When our ancestors cried out to God, God answered them,

**And God responds to our prayers and pleas.**

Worship the Wondrous and Mighty One,

**Holy is our God!**

#### \*Hymn

*God of Great and God of Small*

No. 19



1 God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all,  
2 God of land and sky and sea, God of life and des - ti - ny,  
3 God of si - lence, God of sound, God by whom the lost are found,  
4 God of heaven and God of earth, God of death and God of birth,



God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things be - long,  
God of nev - er - end - ing power, yet be - side me ev - ery hour,  
God of day and dark - est night, God whose love turns wrong to right,  
God of now and days be - fore, God who reigns for - ev - er - more,

#### Refrain



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, praise be to your name.

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, even when we see your justice transfigured before us, we cower in fear of following your way in our world. We wonder what it might cost us to walk in the way of Jesus. Help us to listen. Empower us to be formed by the life of Jesus Christ. Restore in us the confidence to be disciples of Christ. Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

**\*Kyrie**

*You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!*

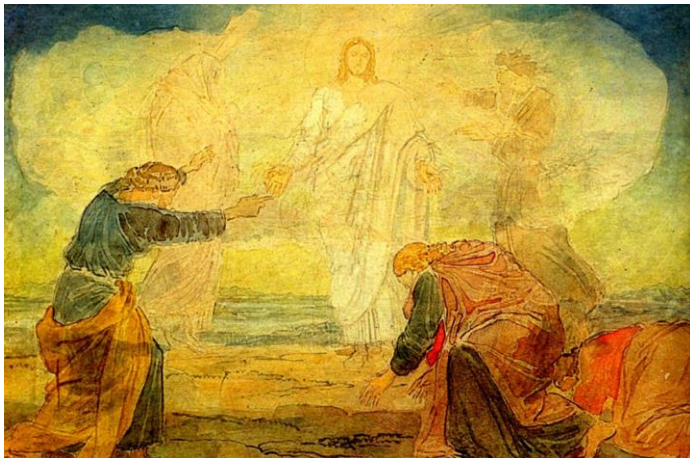
No. 437

Em D Em Am Em D Em  
You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

Am D C D Em C Em  
You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!

Em D G Am Em D E  
You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

**\*Assurance of Pardon**



*The Transfigurations by Alexandr Ivanov*

**\*Response**

*Glory Be to the Father*

No. 581

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

**Word**

**Prayer for Illumination**

Alice Williams

**Scripture Reading**

Exodus 24:12-18

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 17:1-13

**The Message**

*Mountain Visions*

Alan Bancroft

**\*Hymn**

*O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*

No. 189

Capo 3: (Am) (G) (Am) (C) (D) (Em)  
 Cm B<sup>b</sup> Cm E<sup>b</sup> F Cm

1 O won - drous sight, O vi - sion fair  
 2 From age to age the tale de - clare,  
 3 The law and proph - ets there have place,  
 4 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray  
 5 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high

(Am) (Dm) (Am) (Em) (Am)  
 Cm Fm Cm Gm Cm

of glo - ry that the church shall share,  
 how with the three dis - ci - ples there,  
 two cho - sen wit - ness - es of grace;  
 Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day  
 by this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,

(G) (Dm) (Em) (C) (Am)  
 B<sup>b</sup> Fm Gm B<sup>b</sup> Cm

which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,  
 where Mo - ses and E - li - jah meet,  
 the Fa - ther's voice from out the cloud  
 what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove  
 for which in joy - ful strains we raise

(Em) (Dm) (F) (G) (Am)  
 Gm Fm A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm

where bright - er than the sun he glows!  
 the Lord holds con - verse high and sweet.  
 pro - claims his on - ly Son a - loud.  
 who joy in God with per - fect love.  
 the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

**Affirmation of Faith** *The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Responding

### Offering of Tithes and Gifts

#### Offertory

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*  
Chancel Choir

arr. Wolff

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!*

*Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above –  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.*

*To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true Life of all;  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.*

*Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light;  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render; oh, help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee! Amen.*

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

No. 609

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.***

***Praise God, all creatures high and low.***

***Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Praise God, in Jesus fully known;***

***Creator, Word, and Spirit one.***

***Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

### Prayer of Dedication

#### Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

*Lord in your goodness: Hear our praise; Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer.*

## Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## Sending

### \*Hymn

*Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain (vv. 1-4)* No. 193

1 Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain, where, with Pe - ter,  
2 What do you want us to see there, that your close com -  
3 What do you want us to hear there, that your dear dis -  
4 Take us to that oth - er moun - tain where we see you  
5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, ris - en and as -

James, and John, we are daz - zled by your glo - ry,  
pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there  
ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en  
glo - ri - fied, where you shout - ed "It is fin - ished!"  
cend - ed Lord, can - not help but tell the sto - ry,





light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us  
fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like  
says of the In - car - nate Word, "Lis - ten, lis - ten,  
where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -  
all that we have seen and heard; say with Pe - ter,

for the night by the vi - sion of that sight.  
ours you go, matched to meet our dead - liest foe.  
ev - ery - one: this is my be - lov - ed Son."  
tur - i - on: "Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"  
James, and John: "You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

**\*Blessing and Charge**

**\*Response**                 *Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain (v. 5)*                 No. 193  
                                          (See previous hymn)

**\*Postlude**                                 *Allegro in E Major*                                 Surzynski

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

*You are invited to share Christ's peace with those around you.*



***This Week's Floral Dedication***

*The flowers in the Sanctuary  
this week are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of the birth of  
Elizabeth Laurens Chapman,  
great-niece of Meredith McGill  
and Jerry Slaymaker.*

## Today's Worship Service Participants

Minister: Alan Bancroft

Music Director: Ed Yasick

Youth Choir Director: Julie Henry

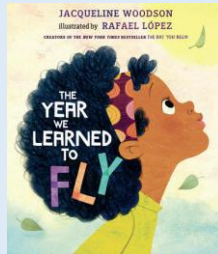
Choir: Chancel Choir, Youth Choir

Trumpet: Justin Dickson

Acolyte: Lydia Bullis

Lay Reader: Alice Williams

Time with Our Children: Jen Pierce



Ushers: Su Johnson, Beth Cleveland

Jessica Cadwallader, Ellen Govert

Tech: Ian Dunbar, Richard Wood

Slides: Beth Cleveland

CCLI No.: 3015474



### Dorcas and CPC

#### *Be The Hands February 2023*

#### 'Adopt a Shelf' Program

CPC is continuing to partner with Dorcas Ministries as a supporter of their 'Adopt a Shelf' program during 2023. This is an ongoing initiative of *Be The Hands*.

Thank you for your support to Dorcas Ministries Food Pantry throughout 2022!

The needs for February are cooking oil, dried beans and instant mashed potatoes. Three items or one or two, whatever suits your budget.

Please contact Audrey Sausman at 919-889-9121 if you have any questions.



## seeking: honest questions for deeper faith

him in the veil of night, he approaches a Samaritan woman at a well, he heals a man born without sight. In these stories, each person is seeking a new beginning, a different life, a deeper faith. What unfolds is an exchange filled with questions and exploration. Often, an unveiling occurs—assumptions are disrupted, a new perspective is revealed, mystery grows.

**The *Sanctified Art* team has crafted a Lenten series founded on questions.** Many of the weekly questions feel restorative (“Can these bones live?”). Some feel like a charge or challenge (“Who will you listen to?”). Some questions are hopeful and curious (“How do we begin again?”). These questions won’t necessarily lead to answers, but they can help us find clarity and a new perspective.

Like the characters in the Lenten scriptures, we are also seeking many things: clarity, connection, wonder, justice, balance. We are seeking our calling, the sacred, and how to live as a disciple. Throughout the turbulence of the past few years, many of us are asking big questions about our lives and our faith. We hope this series will help us unpack some of those big questions in ways that are honest and faithful. Throughout this season, we hope you will continually ask yourself: what am I seeking? What is God seeking? We pray that these questions will create a safe space to explore—to be drawn more deeply into the fullness of life, into the heart of God.

## A Lenten Invitation

This Lent, we invite you to engage in the spiritual practice of seeking using materials from *A Sanctified Art*. Be on the lookout for the devotional (printed and electronic), daily devotional cards, artwork adorning the worship space, and other ways to engage with the materials. Also included is children’s curriculum to be used during Sunday School and weekly children’s bulletins.

The lectionary for Year A offers many stories of Jesus encountering people who are seeking: Nicodemus comes to

# THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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<b>Sunday, February 19</b>	9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	The Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall) Faith Formation Classes (All Ages) Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online Congregational Meeting Rise Against Hunger (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Monday, February 20</b>	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting (FH Annex) GS Brownie Troop 1951 (Youth Area) GS Daisy Troop 271 (Youth Area) Cub Scout Pack 232 (FHF) Scout Troop 232G (Fellowship Hall) Personnel Team (Zoom)
<b>Tuesday, February 21</b>	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.  7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Triple F (100) Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner (Fellowship Hall)  Duke Health & Well-Being Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction Group (Youth Area) Scout Troop 232 (FHF) Budget & Finance Team (Zoom)
<b>Ash Wednesday, February 22</b>	11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Midday Service (Sanctuary) Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary) Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
<b>Thursday, February 23</b>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Buildings & Grounds Team (102) Cary Mindfulness Group (Parlor)
<b>Friday, February 24</b>	7:00 p.m.	Courage, Strength, & Hope (Library)
<b>Saturday, February 25</b>		
<b>Sunday, February 26</b>	9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	The Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall) Faith Formation Classes (All Ages) Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online Duane Hix Book Signing (Fellowship Hall)



**Shrove Tuesday  
Pancake Dinner**  
February 21,  
5:00 p.m.  
to 7:00 p.m.

**All you can eat!**

Our in-person Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is returning! It will be held on February 21 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Baskets will be available on the tables for donations to help cover the cost of the dinner.