First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day Transfiguration of the Lord

February 10, 2013

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Song: Sing 41 Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Fanfare"

Call to Worship

Beloved, we are God's children now;

what we will be has not yet been revealed.

What we do know is this:

when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

* Hymn 263 (PH) "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

- * Call to Confession
- * Prayer of Confession

God of compassion,

in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your Beloved Son; Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

- * Silent Confession
- * Assurance of Pardon
- * Passing of the Peace

* Gloria Patri (PH 579)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

9:00 a.m.

Proulx

1 John 3:2

First Lesson: Exodus 34:29-35 (OT, p. 81)

Psalter: Psalm 99 (Refrain from Sing 41)

A Time with Children

Anthem "My Jesus, I Love Thee" Arnold B. Sherma

Gospel Lesson: Luke 9:28-36 (NT. p. 69)

Sermon: "The Power of Fierce Beauty" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 306 (PH) "Fairest Lord Jesus"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (PH, p. 14)

Presentation of "God and Family" Badge to Ryan Flynn

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory "Flourish"

Wagner

- * Doxology (PH 592)
- * Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 451 (PH) "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High" arr. Johnson

* All who are able shall stand.

PH Presbyterian Hymnal

Sing Sing! A New Creation (green songbook)

The flowers this morning are given by Tudor and Patti Williams to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for His blessings and loving kindness to our family during the time we spent together in our home on the mountain in South Abington.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor William Carter
Director of Music Susan Kelly
Organist Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist Richard Cochrane
Ushers Tori Yankow, Lee Wirth



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.





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Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.