

Transfiguration Sunday

March 2, 2025

Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Dying he destroyed our death. Rising he restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Invitation

We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. You may partake at the table or take it back to your seats to partake there.

Gluten-free bread is available on the table.

Communion Song: "Behold the Lamb"
"Ave Verum Corpus"

LUYH 840
W.A. Mozart

*The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4

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Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul and forget not all his benefits—

who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the pit

and crowns you with love and compassion.

Sending

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Christ, We Climb with You the Mountain" LUYH 131:1-3

Postlude: "Sonata #5 Chorale" A. Guilmant

Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ♦ Organ/Piano: Lois Vander Zee ♦ Violin: Tim Rylaarsdam

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Hearing Assistance

A telecoil hearing-loop system sends a signal into the sanctuary. If your hearing aid is t-coil equipped, try switching to the t-coil receiver. An FM hearing assistance system is also available for ears without hearing aids. Consult the sound operator for assistance.



Luke 9:28-29

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 as bright as a flash of lightning.

Gathering

Prelude: "The Peace"

"How Bright Appears the Morning Star"

G. F. Handel

A. Mahnke

Welcome

*Call to Worship: Psalm 99:1-3

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Great is the Lord—

exalted among the nations.

Mighty is the Lord—

King of heaven and earth.

Holy is the Lord—

beyond our understanding.

Let us worship our God and King!

*Song: "The Mighty God with Power Speaks"

LUYH 9

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "Beautiful Savior"

LUYH 17:1,3,4

*Prayer of Acclamation

*Song: "Father, We Love You"

**1. Father, we love you, we worship and adore You,
glorify your name in all the earth,
glorify your name, glorify your name, glorify your name in all the earth.**

2. Jesus, we love you...

3. Spirit, we love you...

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Renewal

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (based on II Corinthians 3:17-18)

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Now the Lord is the Spirit,

and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

And all of us, with unveiled faces,

seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror,

**are being transformed into the same image
from one degree of glory to another,
for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.**

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and transformed!

Let us take hold of this forgiveness,

and live our lives in the Spirit of Jesus.

Song: "Spirit of the Living God"

LUYH 749

Invitation to Giving

Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are available, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.

Prayers for the Church and World

Word

Children In Worship Dismissal: "This Little Light of Mine"

LUYH 930:1

Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed especially for young children and can gather in the fellowship hall with the helpers. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Luke 9:28-36

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Message: "Christ Alone and With Us"

Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "In Christ Alone"

LUYH 770

Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

LUYH 538:1

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11