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SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024

Sanctuary, 11:00 a.m.



Ventzislav Piriankov, *Transfiguration*

GATHERING

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

I Am the Light

Terry Taylor

GREETING

Leah Brown

INVOCATION

Holy God, mighty and immortal,
you are beyond our knowing,
yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ,
whose compassion illumines the world.
Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ,
who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity,
the same Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 154

Christ Is the World's Light

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 50:1-6

Casey Callahan

The mighty one, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.
Our God comes and does not keep silence,
before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around him.
He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:
“Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”
The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge.

*SHARING PEACE

PROCLAIMING

*HYMN OF FAITH 71

Be Thou My Vision

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We welcome all guests worshiping with us today. Learning experiences for preschool children and infants are offered during the worship hour in the children's building. Large print bulletins and hymns, and enhanced hearing aids are available for use in this service. An usher can assist you with these and any other needs you may have.

Transfiguration Sunday celebrates the glorious revelation of God in Jesus Christ and Christ's manifestation as the fulfillment of the law and the prophets. Jesus' radiant appearance on the mountaintop evokes the devouring fire of the glory of the Lord at Mount Sinai. Here, as at Jesus' baptism, God claims him as a beloved child, in whom God is well pleased. In Jesus' transfiguration, we are assured that Jesus is the hope of the ages. Jesus is the One who fulfilled the Law given through Moses, the one dreamed of by the prophets, of whom Elijah is the greatest.

This morning's art is Ventsislav Piriankov's *Transfiguration*. Ventsislav Piriankov is a Bulgarian artist born in 1971 and living in Poland.

Leaders in worship include Deacon of the Week Jamie Gorsuch, the Junior Choir, and guest organist Timothy Wissler.

I Am the Light by Terry Taylor

I am the light, I am the true light. I am the light, the light of the world.

Those who choose to follow me will never walk in darkness.

Those who choose to follow me will never walk alone.

I am the light, I am the true light. I am the light, the light of the world.

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