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February 23, 2020
Transfiguration Sunday
Black History Month

** Please stand for these moments during the service if you are able to.*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP THE GOD OF SAVING GRACE

Prelude: Christ Upon the Mountain Peak - Brian Wren / Ron Klusmeier

*Introit: God of the Mountain Bryan and Ashitha Pradeepson

*Responsive Call to Worship:

Do you really not know...

that he is God of all in the heavens and on the earth?

Have you really not heard...

How God has brought princes to naught and oppressors to their knees?

Haven't you already been told...

that you're counted among the stars, and that you matter?

Do you not know, have you not heard?

We come to learn, to worship to be renewed, we come in hope.

*Hymn of Praise: Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus **# 456 Red**

Our Prayer of Adoration

Song Verse: "Be Still and Know That I am God" **# 64 Blue**

God of grace and wonder, you reveal your presence in radiant glory and gracious gentleness to this needy world.

On mountain tops and the lowly plains, in classrooms and hospital beds, in homes and in churches, on city streets and by flowing streams,

you visit us with your transforming spirit. Yours is the presence that frees us from fear; yours is the touch that transforms our doubts. Your voice speaks what is true.

We come before you in this time of worship to dwell in your goodness and offer you the praise you deserve in Christ's name. Amen. Amen.

WE ARE TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S GRACE

Our Prayer of Confession:

Song Refrain "I Am the Lord That Healeth Thee" **# 64 Blue**

God of mercy and forgiveness, we come to you, confessing those things that distract us from your presence.

Greed and pride lead us to think we can rely on our own strength.

Disappointments and anger linger, turning us from your mercy.

Other voices interrupt us so that we fail to hear your call to service.

Touch us again with the mystery of your grace.

Shape our will to yours, so we can dwell more closely with you and with one another in a fellowship of love and learning.

These things we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Song Verse "In Thee O Lord, I Put My Trust" **# 64 Blue**

Welcome and Announcements **(See Insert)**

I'm Gonna Sing - arr. by Audrey Snyder - the Intermediate Choir -

maracas - Josh Bernard

B.H.M Focus: Dame Elizabeth Anionwu Comfort Asumadu Sakyi

Musical Item: Why Me Lord (Medley) Bryan and Ashitha

GOD'S WORD CHANGES OUR LIVES

*Youth Hymn: My Hope is Built on Nothing less **# 349 Blue**

Youth Stories: "**Rosa Parks, Viola Desmond & Canada's 1st Black Hockey team**" Daniela & Zoe

The Scriptures:

Responsive Psalm 99 **Refrain # 1**

New Testament: Matthew 17:1-9 (Page)

Anthem: Go down, Moses - Traditional spiritual -music by Eric Wild

Soloist - Beulah Francis

Sermon: "Changed by God for God's Glory"

Hymn of Response: There is a Redeemer **# 358 Blue**

Prayers of God's People concluded with The Lord's Prayer

The giving of our Gifts in Tithes and Offering: I Fell on My Knees and

Cried, "Holy" - N.D. Washington / E. M. D. Cantwell

*Offertory Doxology:

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise Him All Creatures Here below

WE GO TO LIVE AS TRANSFORMED PEOPLE OF GOD

*Offertory Prayer

*Closing Hymn: Come We That Love The Lord **# 475 Red**

*Benediction:

*Choral Benediction: Praise God, Praise God.

Postlude: All God's Children Got Wings - Spiritual - arr. by V. Eville