

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**February 19, 2023
10:00am**

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

GATHERING

PRESERVICE MUSIC

“Be Thou My Vision”
“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”
“Shine, Jesus, Shine”
“Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”
“Alleluia”
“The Light of the World Is Jesus”
“Fairest Lord Jesus”
“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS

CHIMES

(The pouring of water invites us to remember and to celebrate our baptism into the body of Christ.)

PRELUDE

“Largo from The New World Symphony” (Dvorak)

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Please exchange these words with your immediate neighbors: “The peace of the Lord be with you.” “And also with you.”

CALL TO WORSHIP

God’s spirit dwells in us,
for we are God’s temple.
We belong to Christ,
and Christ belongs to God.
Praise the Lord!
Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN #347**

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”
(French Melody/Arr. Williams)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Almighty God, you make the sun rise on the evil and on the good, send rain on the righteousness and on the unrighteous. Give us grace to follow your example and show kindness toward friend and enemy, so we may live as your children who testify to your all-inclusive love. **Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRI #581**

“Glory Be to the Father” (Greatorex)

CALL TO CONFESSION

God declares to God’s beloved, you shall be holy, for I your God am holy. Trusting in divine mercy, we confess our faults before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, your law shows the way of righteousness, but we forsake your commandments. We have not provided for the poor or aided the disabled. We have not been truthful in our daily business; we have been unjust in our judgement of others. We have sought vengeance against our enemies; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us our sins and rouse us to sincere repentance. By the power of your Holy Spirit, free us to live as your holy people with Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, God who is just and merciful reproves our sinful ways, offers the grace of repentance, and frees us to live as God’s beloved children. Hear the Good News of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, by the power of your Spirit reveal to us your Word. Let us be a holy temple built on Christ, our sure foundation. **Amen.**

READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS

Psalm 2

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Exodus 24:12-18

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

2 Peter 1:16-21

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SOLO

“Oceans” “Where Feet May Fail”
(Australian Music Group, Hillsong United) (Jody's Bevers)

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospels if you are able)

***READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Matthew 17:1-9

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

***HYMN #450**

“Be Thou My Vision” (Irish Ballad/harm. Evans)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end, he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Let us give to God as God has so abundantly given to us.

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Be Thou My Vision” (Broughton)

***DOXOLOGY #606**

Genevan Psalter

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

Almighty God, by your grace, accept our offering. Make us joyful in giving that we may grow in likeness to your supreme gift, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***OUR 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.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN #693** *"The Gift of Love"* (English Folk Melody)
(February Hymn of the Month)

***MOMENT OF SILENCE TO PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH**

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE** *"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"*

*Please stand if you are able where asterisks are printed.
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