

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY | FINAL SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

The last Sunday before Ash Wednesday is traditionally designated for celebrating the transfiguration of Jesus. At the transfiguration the great glory of God in the person of Jesus Christ was made clear to Peter, James, and John (Mark 9:2-12). In this glory we see a fuller representation of Jesus' identity, and we glimpse the glory he would receive at the completion of his redemptive work. Transfiguration is the fourth celebration (after Christmas, Epiphany, and the Baptism of our Lord) that affirms the identity of Jesus as not only fully human but also fully divine. Together these celebrations prepare us for the journey toward the cross and empty tomb. The timing of this observance is important. Just as the transfiguration prepared Jesus for his passion and death, so our observance of his transfiguration prepares us for our Lenten journey in which we concentrate on his sufferings.

—*The Worship Sourcebook, 2nd ed., CRC Publications*

Ash Wednesday

Feb 17

Marks the beginning of Lent.

Season of Lent

Feb 17-April 2

The 40 days (not counting Sundays) from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday.

Palm Sunday

March 28

The Sunday before Easter and the first day of Holy Week.

Holy Week

March 28-April 3

The week leading up to Easter.

Maunder Thursday

Good Friday

Holy Saturday

April 1, 2, 3

The 3 days before Easter known as the "Triduum."

Easter Sunday

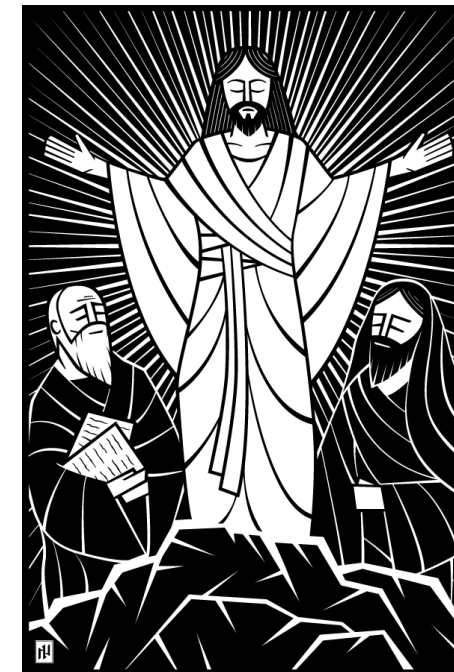
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WORSHIP GUIDE

Sunday, February 14, 2021

10:00 AM



TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

PREPARATION FOR 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.

1 John 3:2

CALL TO WORSHIP | based on Psalm 99:1-3

- › The Lord is Sovereign; let the people tremble in awe.
- » **God is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.**
- › The Lord is great in Zion and is high above all peoples.
- » **Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God, and worship God upon the holy mountain.**

OPEN UP THE HEAVENS

Andi Rozier, James McDonald, Jason Ingram, Meredith Andrews, Stu Gerrard, 2012, Word Music, LLC, Open Hands Music, Sony/ATV Timber Publishing, Stugio Music Publishing, Harvest Bible Chapel Publishing Designee, CCLI # 101544.

We've waited for this day,
We're gathered in Your name,
Calling out to You.
Your glory like a fire, awakening desire,
Will burn our hearts with truth.
You're the reason we're here,
You're the reason we're singing.

*Open up the heavens, we want to see You;
Open up the floodgates,
The mighty river flowing from Your heart
And filling every part of our praise.*

Your presence in this place,
Your glory on our face,
We're looking to the sky.
Descending like a cloud,
You're standing with us now;
Lord, unveil our eyes.
You're the reason we're here,
You're the reason we're singing.

Show us, show us Your glory,
Show us, show us Your power,
Show us, show us Your glory, Lord.

ARISE, SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

Words and Music by Jered McKenna, 2013. CCLI #101544

Arise, shine for your light has come
and the glory of God is on you.
Arise, see when the earth grows dark
that the Lord will arise upon you,
that the Lord will arise upon you.

*Nations will come to your light;
lift up your eyes and see.
We'll gather together and come to you,
and your love will be all that we know;
and your love will be all that we know.*

Arise, come to the open gates,
for the Father is welcoming you.
Fear not, for the Lord brings peace
and redemption to all who believe,
and redemption to all who believe.

The sun will not shine
'cause you'll be all the light that we need;
and violence will end,
all the wars that we wage will cease.
We will glorify your name;
We will glorify your name.

SCRIPTURE READING | Luke 9:28-36

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. They spoke about his exodus, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

JESUS, THERE'S NO ONE LIKE YOU

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There is no song we could sing
To honor the weight of Your glory.
There are no words we could speak
To capture the depth of Your beauty.

*Jesus, there's no one like You;
Jesus, we love You, ever adore You.
There's no one like You;
Jesus, we love You, ever adore You, Lord.*

There is no sinner beyond
The infinite stretch of Your mercy.
How can we thank You enough
For how You have loved us completely?

All we have,
All we need,
All we want is You.

PRAYER

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
through his life, death, and resurrection—
the same Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

SERMON

Scripture: Acts 26:1-32

Title: "Sharing My Story"

Series: Intentional Outreach #5

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

Author: Frances Ridley Havergal (1874). Music: Henri A.C. Malan; harm. Lowell Mason

Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in endless praise,
let them flow in endless praise.

Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use
every power as thou shalt choose,
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee.