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*All are welcomed to this service of worship. We pray that you experience God's love, Christ's grace, and the communion of the Holy Spirit. If you are visiting with us, please use one of the "Guest" cards in the pew rack to let us know you have been here. So that our members may greet you by name, you are invited to use the name tag attached to that card.*

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SUNDAY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

FEBRUARY 19, 2012

GATHERING HYMN "Be Unto Your Name" (alphabetical in supplement)  
LITANY FOR THE DAY from Psalm 50

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 covenant with me by sacrifice!"

**The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge.**

\*HYMN #263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

CORPORATE CONFESSION

(from Call to Worship)

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.**

**You are far beyond our understanding; your glory is more than we can comprehend. In our weakness, we render you in terms we can grasp and, in our sinfulness, make you too small; we restrict your wisdom and mercy to what we can explain.**

**Forgive us. Open our eyes to your infinite splendor and make us more faithful, that we may follow, in trust, wherever you lead.**

KYRIE (#574)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI (#579)

Glory be to the Father,

and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

*\*All who are able may stand.*

Unless otherwise noted, we will sing all verses of each hymn.

\*THE GIFT OF PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And Also with you!**

FIRST READING

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

“Majesty and Glory”

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

(Children 4, 5, and 6 years old not staying for worship may go to Jr. Church)

SECOND READING

Mark 9:2-9

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON TEXT

“. . . the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.”

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

the Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of  
the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended  
into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on  
the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and  
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the  
forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEEPENING DISCIPLESHIP

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

(Book of Occasional Services of the PCUSA)

There are different ways of serving God,

**but it is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through each person in a unique way,

**but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.**

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

**Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.**

Today we install to the office of Deacon: Debbie Elkins, Rita Engle, and Annette Pitts.

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? ***I do.***

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? ***I do.***

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as they are expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture

leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? ***I do and I will.***

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions? ***I will.***

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? ***I will.***

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? ***I will.***

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? ***I do.***

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? ***I will.***

Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? ***I will.***

Do we, the members of the church, accept these women as deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? ***We do.***

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us in serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? ***We do.***

Let us pray: Eternal God, we give you thanks for your steadfast faithfulness to us. In every age you have called forth leaders to serve you and equipped them with your gifts. Among your people Israel, you anointed prophets, priests, and rulers. You called pastors and teachers, bishops, elders, and deacons to build up your church. With Moses, the seventy elders bore the burdens of your people, ministering in the power of your Spirit. Alongside the apostles, deacons cared for all in need and guarded the community's peace. In the church, deacons, elders, and pastors serve together, so that your whole people might be equipped for ministry, and built up into the full unity of Christ.

**For your servants in every age, O God, and for the church of Jesus Christ, we give you all thanks and praise.**

God of grace, pour out your Holy Spirit on these women and men, that they may be your faithful servants in the church. Give them prudence and sound judgment, wisdom and courage to order the life of the church in obedience to your Word. Nourish them in the life of the Holy Spirit, that they may exercise their ministry with compassion and humility. Guide them in governance in this congregation and in every body of the church where they may serve that they may be servant leaders following Christ who came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life to set others free. Give them joy in their walk of faith and a sure sense of your abiding presence for their work of ministry. We ask it in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

You are once more installed as deacons in the church of Jesus Christ and for this congregation.. Be faithful and true in your ministry so that your whole life will bear witness to the crucified and risen Christ.

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

\*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

(from When We Gather)

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Redeeming God, you do not hide your radiance, neither hold back your Word. You come to us in love, fresh as the morning; we are sustained by your mercy and renewed through your grace. You have sent us your Spirit to freshen our day. All that we are we owe to you. Accept our gifts and bless our endeavors, so that all we do may accord with your will. We ask it in Jesus' name, praying as he taught:

**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. Amen.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Please remember the following persons in your prayers)

Ellen Ash	Glinda Carnall	Betty Deihl	Val Krumrine	Denny Robles
Mabel Balk	Marilyn Bell	Rosalie Couch	Bill Hilgedag	Whitney Jeffrey
Nellie Kershner	Paul Kershner	Irma Mattern	Kyle McCarthy	Stacy Shelburne
Jim Smith	Jill Spencer	Caren Springer	Margaret Seese	Mike Truskolaski
Greg Wiley	Jim Zaleta			
Nate Keller	John Manning	Brett Plummer	Isaac Sands	
Leah Sands	Michael Stohler	Adam Strader		

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

\*HYMN #142

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE