

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD  
FEBRUARY 19, 2023

### GATHERING

#### ORGAN PRELUDE

When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart awakening cries:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

May Jesus Christ be Praised!

#### WELCOME

#### SILENT MEDITATION

#### CHORAL INTROIT

This is my Son, my Chosen One.  
Listen!

-Luke 9:35

Anthem for Transfiguration

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us draw near to our awesome God.

**We bring our praise and adoration.**

**We bring ourselves, our memories, and our hopes,  
in expectation of meeting with our Lord,  
whose presence is all around us.**

In Jesus, God is with us.

Let us worship God.

## HYMN 267 | STANDING

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we see your beauty,  
but fail to take care of the beauty  
of your world.

Forgive us for our neglect  
and carelessness.

Lord, we see your beauty,  
but fail to see the beauty  
in every human being.  
Forgive us for our ignorance and prejudice.

Lord, we see your beauty,  
but fail to see the beauty  
in ourselves.  
Forgive us for our self-hatred and despair.

*Silence is kept for person confession.*

**Amen.**

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

RESPONSE

Jesus, be the Center



- 1. Je - sus, be\_\_ the cen - ter, be\_\_ my source,
- 2. Je - sus, be\_\_ the cen - ter, be\_\_ my hope,\_
- 3. Je - sus, be\_\_ my vi - sion, be\_\_ my path,\_
- 4. Je - sus, be\_\_ the cen - ter, be\_\_ my source,



- \_\_ be my light, \_\_ Je - SUS. \_\_ to verse 2
- \_\_ be my song, \_\_ Je - SUS. \_\_ to refrain
- \_\_ be my guide, \_\_ Je - SUS. \_\_ to verse 4
- \_\_ be my light, \_\_ Je - SUS. \_\_ to refrain



**REFRAIN** Be\_\_ the fire\_\_ in my heart. \_\_ Be the wind



\_\_ in these sails. \_\_ Be\_\_ the rea - son that I live,



\_\_ Je - sus, \_\_ Je - sus. \_\_

LISTENING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE

2 Peter 1:16-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## CELLO MEDITATION

Beautiful Savior

Beautiful Savior, Ruler of creation,  
O thou of God to earth come down,  
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,  
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
robed in the blooming garb of spring.  
Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer,  
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,  
and all the twinkling, starry host.  
Jesus shines brighter; Jesus shines purer,  
than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
now and forevermore be thine!

## GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Children are dismissed after the scripture readings for Sunday School (K-6).*

*Children may be picked up from their classrooms at 11:00.*

## SERMON

Rev. Paul Gilmore

# RESPONDING

## MUSICAL OFFERING

He Is My All  
Bryan Wlas, soloist

## PROFESSION OF FAITH | STANDING

from the United Church of Canada

We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.  
We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.  
We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.  
We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God.

## SHARING THE PEACE | STANDING

The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.  
Peace, salaam, shalom

## MOMENT FOR FELLOWSHIP

Ward Wilson

Mike Ray

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of glory,  
hear our prayer.

## THE 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.  
Amen.

## SENDING

**HYMN 305** | STANDING

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** | STANDING

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

# DUST + GLORY

## **ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22 / 8-9AM AND 4-5PM**

Each year, Christians set aside the 40 days of Lent to reflect, pray, and prepare for the celebration of Easter. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (Feb 22 this year). On Ash Wednesday, our heads are smudged with ashes made from the palms of last Palm Sunday. The *Book of Common Worship* reminds us that "Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent with a public act of confession. Acknowledging that we have all sinned...we repent and return to our loving creator. Acutely aware of our failure and frailty, we express our utter reliance on God's saving grace."

**Ashes will be distributed in the roundabout outside the church office between 8-9am on 4-5pm on February 22. Drive through anytime to begin your Lenten journey!**

## **LENTEN DEVOTIONALS**

Our devotionals for Lent are once again from the Church of England. Copies of *Dust and Glory* are available for you to pick up today. Check your weekly email for information about how to download the app for daily devotions sent to your phone.

## **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS—WEDNESDAYS IN MARCH @6PM**

You won't have to make dinner on the Wednesdays of Lent! Join us each Wednesday in March at 6pm for a simple soup supper, a simple prayer, and fellowship with friends from WPC.

## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

*Information about weekly Bible studies and small groups can be found in your weekly email or at [winnpres.org](http://winnpres.org). Sign up at [winnpres.org](http://winnpres.org) to receive our weekly email.*

### **MEN'S SMALL GROUP (CONFERENCE B)**

Saturdays @ 8:30am

### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (CONFERENCE A)**

Saturdays @ 9:30am

### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (ZOOM)**

Tuesdays @ 7am

### **BIBLE STUDY (CONFERENCE B)**

Wednesdays @ 11am

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **OFFERING**

You can financially support the ministry of WPC in one of the following ways:

- Scan this QR code.
- Place your offering in the collection box.
- Give online at [winnpres.org/give-online](http://winnpres.org/give-online).

## **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: NEXT SUNDAY**

Our annual meeting will be next Sunday, following worship. Hard copies of the annual report are available today. Digital copies can be found in your weekly email and on the church website.

### **DINNER FOR 80: FEB 25 @ 6PM**

This year's Dinner for 80 will be on Saturday, February 25. This is always a fun evening of meeting new friends and getting reacquainted with people you may have not seen in a while. Once you've signed up, you will be asked to bring a salad, wine, bread, or dessert to your host's home. Hosts provide the main dish. There is a sign-up on the coffee hour table.

## **SERVING TODAY**

Worship Leaders: Paul Gilmore Geoff Duffy  
Greeters: Matt Baker  
Lectors: Sherri Lewis,  
Musicians: Daniel Rausch, Alasia Williams,  
Bryan Wlas, Warren Oja

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