



“It is good
for us to
be here.”

MARK 9:5

**Covenant Presbyterian Church
Sunday, February 14, 2021
Transfiguration of the Lord**

Prelude

Impromptu Op. 90 #3
Nina Kouznetsov, piano

Franz Schubert

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Ratisbon

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Reading from the Scripture

Psalm 27

NRSV

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh— my adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!

“Come,” my heart says, “seek his face!” Your face, LORD, do I seek.

Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help.

Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

If my father and mother forsake me, the LORD will take me up.
 Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.
 Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence.
 I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.
 Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

Musical Selection

Holy Ground

Geron Davis, arr. Lloyd Larson

*When I walked through the door I sensed His presence, and I knew this was a place where love abounds;
 For this is a temple, Jehovah God abides here, and we are standing in His presence on holy ground.
 We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around. Let us praise Jesus now;
 we are standing in His presence on holy ground.*

*In His presence there is joy beyond measure, and at His feet peace of mind can still be found. If you have a need I
 know He has the answer. Just reach out and claim it, for you are standing on holy ground*

*We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around. Let us praise Jesus now;
 we are standing in His presence on holy ground.*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

We are standing in His presence on holy ground.

Catherine Carter & Simone Santarsiero, sopranos

Children's Message

Reading from the Scripture

Mark 9: 2-9

NRSV

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Sermon

"What's Love Got To Do With It"

Rev. Dr. Carol Ann Fleming

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Musical Selection

The Lord is My Light

Rachel Mohlman

*The Lord is my light; then why should I fear? By day and by night his presence is near.
 He is my salvation from sorrow and sin; This blessed assurance the Spirit doth bring.
 The Lord is my light; tho clouds may arise, Faith, stronger than sight, looks up thru the skies
 Where Jesus forever in glory doth reign. Then how can I ever in darkness remain?
 The Lord is my light, my joy and my song. By day and by night He leads me, He leads me along.
 The Lord is my light; the Lord is my strength. I know in His might I'll conquer at length.
 My weakness in mercy He covers with pow'r, And, walking by faith, I am blest ev'ry hour.
 The Lord is my light, my all and in all. There is in His sight no darkness at all.
 He is my Redeemer, my Savior, and King. With Saints and with angels his praises I'll sing.*

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Pastoral Prayer and Prayers of the People

Benediction and Blessing

Postlude