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TODAY'S THEME

Resilience

March 2, 2025



"The Transfiguration (St.Lukes)" by Kelly Latimore

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Quiet Meditation

"The Lord is more constant and far more extravagant than it seems to imply. Wherever you turn your eyes the world can shine like transfiguration. You don't have to bring a thing to it except a little willingness to see. Only, who could have the courage to see it?"

– Marilynne Robinson



TO CHECK IN

Enter to Worship – Depart To Serve

*Gathering Hymn

"O Lord, Our Lord"

Hymnal #613

Welcome, Time of Quiet Prayer and Centering Breath

Opening Chant (#544)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Scripture

Luke 9:28-36 (NRSVUE)

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P: Thanks be to God!

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Prayer of Humility

L: Let us pray.

All: Transfigured God,

it's easy to live with our eyes veiled.

Too often, we hide

from the hard realities within and around us.

We shield Your light of Love,

instead of sharing it.

Something deep within hardens our hearts,

leading to inertia and unfreedom.

But there is a deeper longing within.

We hunger for the healing and renewal

You reveal in Your Son.

Unveil our eyes and soften our hearts.

With Your shining love,

light a path of healing for us

that we may share it with others.

By this, may all know the freedom of new life

you revealed in Jesus The Transfigured Christ.

Hear us now as we offer you our silent confessions...

Prayer of Humility Response (#447) *We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. (Repeat)*

Assurance of God's Love

L. Friends: Believe the Good News of the Gospel

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*Congregational Response (#606)

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

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Sermon

"Climbing Mountains of Faith: The Hard, Holy Journey to Transfiguration"

Rev. A. David Paul

Musical Meditation

"He Leadeth Me"

~ Gilmore, Bradbury

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord our God.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Prayer

Communion Song:

Heal us, Lord. Heal us, Lord.

On this thirsty ground, may your love flow down.

Come and heal our hearts, O Lord.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

*Presentation of Gifts

Announcements, Minutes for Mission, Concerns and Celebrations

*Hymn

"Jesus, Take Us To The Mountain"

Hymnal #193

*Blessing and Benediction

*Response

God be with you, God be with you,

God be with you 'til we meet again.

*Postlude

Serving This Week and Next Week

- ♣ 8:30 a.m. Greeters this week: Jane & Wils Cooley
- ♣ 11:00 a.m. Greeters this week: Wallace & Barb Christy
- ♣ 10:00 a.m. Greeters next week: Jennifer & Tim Richart

Coffee Hour

Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship.

- ♣ This Week: Nancy Marchese
- ♣ Next Week: Kay Tilton

Prayer Ministers

Every Sunday after worship service, prayer ministers are available at the back of the sanctuary to offer confidential prayers.

- ♣ 8:30 a.m. Service: Denee Stevenson
- ♣ 11:00 a.m. Service: Nancy Marchese

* Additional pages with Announcements and other information available upon request. Please see your greeters.

Transfiguration Sunday

Lectionary Texts

Exodus 34:29-35 • Psalm 99 • 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 • **Luke 9:28-36**, (37-43a)

Theme

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Calvin 2Gether:

1. **FIND:** someone you don't know as well as others and introduce yourself, or discuss with your family around the dinner table.
2. **DISCUSS:** *How can we pay attention to what God is doing – especially when so much of the news is difficult to watch?*
3. **PRAYER COVENANT:** to pray for each other daily, by name until you meet again (the prayer to the right is offered as a suggestion).

Calvin's 'Men's Room' Prayer

Holy God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit –
help me to be grounded in you
so that your grace can flow
through everything I do.
Guide me with your wisdom
so that I can place you at my center
and live a healthy life,
balancing faith, family, friendship, career, and me.
Bless me so that in all I do
I can hold tightly to you in faith,
live in your hope,
and reach out in your love.
In Christ's name I pray. Amen.

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Prayer Concerns

Please offer God prayers for the different ministries & activities of Calvin Church

Especially pray for

- * Spiritual Nurture Ministry Team and Calvin Church Staff
- * Caroline Baker, who graduated from seminary and is discerning next steps

Prayers for the World

- * For Calvin Church's partnership with Oti Presbytery – Ghana
- * For first responders and front line medical workers
- * Our congressmen, senators, governor and president
- * Josh Heikkila, our missionary in Ghana
- * For people across the world who are victims of terrorism
- * For Syria refugees and for the Syrian conflict
- * The people of Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, and their liaison, Ron Cotner
- * Ukraine, Palestine and Israel during this time of war
- * Ellen Smith, our mission co-worker based in the States, serving in Russia, Belarus, Ukraine and Poland
- * All those affected in the south by Hurricanes Helene and Milton
- * All those affected by the wildfires in California

Please pray for these members of Calvin Church

- ~ *Bob and ChrisAnn Goossen* thank you for your prayers for ChrisAnn's mother, Mary Koepke. They appreciate your prayers as they mourn her passing on February 20
- ~ *David English*, whose mother, June English, recently passed away
- ~ *Bob Van Ingen*, continued prayers
- ~ *Vickie and Tom Baker*, continued prayers
- ~ *Ken Weaver*, for continued healing
- ~ *Wayne Brinda*, for continued healing

If you would like to include someone in these weekly prayers, please contact the church office at 724-452-7560, office.admin@calvinchurchzelle.org or place a note in the offering plate.