

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

Transfiguration Sunday

Sunday, February 26, 2017 @ 10 AM – Rev. Paul Grenier



For Prayer & Contemplation

"I charge you before God... that you follow me no further than you have seen me follow the Lord Jesus Christ. If God reveals anything to you by any other instrument of His, be as ready to receive it as you were to receive any truth by my ministry, for I am verily persuaded the Lord hath more truth yet to break forth out of His Holy Word. For my part, I cannot sufficiently bewail the condition of those reformed churches which... will go, at present, no further than the instruments of their reformation. The Lutherans cannot be drawn to go beyond what Luther saw; whatever part of His will our God had revealed to Calvin, they will rather die than embrace it; and the Calvinists, you see, stick fast where they were left by that great man of God, who yet saw not all things. This is a misery much to be lamented..."

-Rev. John Robinson, to the Pilgrims on the Mayflower

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud" - arr. Near

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 2)

One: Friends, we live in troubled times! The nations are in an uproar.
All: The people are divided; they mutter in anxiety and speak in anger.
One: But as a church we are united! We will neither fear nor rage!
All: For our Lord whose throne is in heaven is laughing, because nothing can surpass God's Grace.
One: Let us announce the decree of the Lord!
All: God said, "You are my children; ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession."
One: Be warned of those who trust in worldly wealth and power. Be wise and submit to the Lord with fear and trembling.
All: The wicked shall perish, but happy are those who take refuge in the Lord!

*Hymn No. 11 "Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud"

Prayer of Renewal (adapted from RCL Collect)

Lord Jesus Christ, you made disciples of men and women, transforming their hearts and banishing their fear. O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Hymn No. 584 "Glory, Glory, Glory"
"Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high! Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high! And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased. And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased."

Passing of Peace

Anthem Tyler Bell Choir – "Jubilance" - McChesney



Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.
Adults: God be with you there.
Children: God be with you here.

Scripture Matthew 17:1-9 (NT 18-19, LP 22-23)

Sermon "The Transformed & Transforming Church!" -Rev. Paul Grenier

Presentation of Tithes/Offering

Offertory "Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory" - arr. Albrecht

*Doxology No. 606
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.

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

Lord, we offer our earthly wages in the hopes that you will transform them into spiritual blessings as you have transformed our hearts with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Minute for Mission

The Prayers of the People

Lynda Ford, the family of Helen Taylor, Evelyn Dedinas, Sharon Conley, Shirley Murphy, Douglas Hoffman, Michael Allen, John Tignor, Myles Golden, Patricia Collins, Joyce Stewart, Phyllis Bullock-Beaufait, the family of the Rev. Dr. Kate Killebrew, Rev. Keith Reed, Dolores Cheesman and family, the family of Debbie Rose, the family of Kay Euler, the family of Helen Fitzpatrick, Ken Swain, Bobbi Wilkins, Helena Roberts, the family of Eric King, Joe Carmichael, Bill McFarland, Fred & Doris Oltmann, Carol Owens, the family of Kevin & Liz Gianfortune, Colleen Printy, Gary Wriggins, Cathy Russo, Debby Guarni, Jackie Kummer, Jennette Roesly, Marie Roberts, Deborah McLaverty, Robert Kressly, Nic Albadine, Dot Clay, Rachel Ledden-Albadine, Betzaida Plaza, Lorraine Kaltreider, Renee Farrell, Glenn Raudenbush, Erin Fitzpatrick, Montana Lovelace-LaPierre

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.

*Hymn No. 190 "Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory"

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 540 "Farewell, Good Friends!"
"Farewell, good friends! Farewell, good friends! Shalom, shalom. Till we meet again, till we meet again, shalom, shalom."

Postlude "Go, My Children, With My Blessing" - arr. Dahl
Linda Richardson, D chime

*Please stand as you are able.

Please be advised that our worship service is filmed from the balcony. Though the camera's focus is primarily on the chancel, there are wide shots that may include parts of the congregation sitting near the front.

Please promptly pick your children up from Sunday School at the conclusion of our worship service, and please join us for coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall – all are welcome!



Happy Birthday to You

February 26 *Noah Tamaska*
 February 28 *Caleb Tamaska*
 February 28 *Robin Montgomery*
 March 1 *John Polhamus*
 March 1 *Julie Weikart*
 March 1 *Sarah Carson*
 March 2 *Janie Forshay*
 March 3 *Laurel Contarino*
 March 4 *John Foster*
 March 5 *Christine Washkevich*



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Liturgist	Suzanne Carson
Greeter	Judy Reed
Ushers	Ron Griffith, Barb Griffith, Karen Daly, Linda Waller
Tellers	Glenn Stevick, Steve Langlois, Karen Daly
Officer of the Month	Jeff Downing



Sanctuary Flowers

Given by the Vignola Family in celebration of the arrival of Emmett John Vignola, born February 10, 2017



Music Notes

Today’s prelude is Gerald Near’s contemporary arrangement of a Welsh hymn tune, “Aberystwyth,” composed by Joseph Parry in 1876. The offertory combines two tunes; “Geneva,” composed by George Henry Day in 1940, and “Jesus Loves Me,” composed by William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868). The postlude is David Dahl’s 2013 setting of another traditional Welsh melody, “Ar hyd y nos.” We thank the Tyler Bell Choir and Linda Richardson for sharing special music with us this morning.

This Week’s Calendar

February 26 to March 5

Sunday 26	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice
Monday 27	
Tuesday 28	7:15 PM Stephen Ministry – Up Kitchen
Wednesday 1	Ash Wednesday 4-6 PM Blessing & Receiving Ashes – Sanctuary 7 PM PNC – Memorial Lounge
Thursday 2	9 AM Weekday Preschool Multicultural Day 7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday 3	1 PM World Day of Prayer Service – Church of the Good Shepherd, 315 Highland Terrace
Saturday 4	
Sunday 5	First Sunday in Lent Boston College Stay Begins – Social Hall 8:30 AM Deacons – Memorial Lounge 10 AM Worship/Communion/ Baptism of Theodore McIlhenney 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice 6 PM Youth Group – Off Site



Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM
Communion on the first Sunday of the month
Sunday School every week, 10:20-11:05 AM

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