

## St. John's at Worship Transfiguration of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements *(please pass the fellowship roll)*

Introit "Thaxted" from *The Planets* Holst

Scripture Reading Matthew 17:1 – 8 (pg. 18, NT)

\*Call to Worship

Leader: On this Transfiguration Sunday, we remember that Jesus and three of his disciples went up on a mountain to pray...

**People: While they were there, Jesus was transformed!  
The glory of God was revealed,  
and they understood who he was.**

Leader: In the same way, *we* have gathered *here* to behold the glory of God, so that *we* might understand who he is and be transformed ourselves.

**People: Let your glory shine on us, Lord, as we worship you!**

\*Hymn 64 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

\*Prayer of Invocation and 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.**

Unison Prayer of Confession

**You call us to be holy, as *you* are holy,  
and reflect a different way of living and being in the world:  
to care for the poor and the hungry, the sick and the suffering;  
to make a place for those who do not belong;  
to stand up against injustice and oppression,  
and speak up for those who have no voices;  
to be compassionate in the face of indifference,  
and merciful in the face of judgment;  
to forgive as we have been forgiven and love as we are loved.  
And we do...sometimes...when it is easy or convenient.  
For the times that we fall short, we seek your forgiveness,  
that your grace would lead us to greater love for our neighbor,  
because when we fail to love our neighbor, we fail to love you.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri

**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.**

Scripture Reading Matthew 17:9 – 13 (pg. 19, NT) Dave Dalrymple

Cherub Choir "Do Lord" Debbie Ealer, Director

Children's Time Rev. Joyner  
*At this time Pre-K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade leave for Sunday School until 10:45.*

Anthem "We Are Convinced" Hayes

Scripture Reading Matthew 17:14 – 21 (pg. 19, NT)

Sermon TRANSFORMED Rev. Marshall  
*At the end of the sermon, there will be a moment of silent reflection and prayer.*

\*Affirmation of Faith A Modern Affirmation

**We believe in God the Father,  
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,  
whose mercy is over all His works,  
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,  
Son of God and Son of man,  
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,  
the ground of our hope,  
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit  
as the divine presence in our lives,  
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance  
of the truth of Christ,  
and find strength and help in time of need.  
We believe that this faith should manifest itself  
in the service of love  
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,  
to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth.  
Amen.**

Offering (Ushers will also collect blue prayer request cards at the time of the offering.)

Offertory "If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee" Neumark

\*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 (If you need to sit for the prayer, please feel free.)

\*Hymn 435 (INSERT) "We All Are One in Mission"

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response "Believe" Hopson

\*Postlude "Songs and Hymns of the Church Number 3"

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning, and we hope that you experience the love of Jesus Christ here with us! If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the ushers located at each of the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. Our greeter, Jennifer Roberts, will be available in the back of the sanctuary after worship to answer any questions you might have about St. John's. We are glad that you are here, and hope you will worship with us again soon!

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

**Director of Music** Iris Blanco-Urgelles  
**Greeter** Jennifer Roberts  
**Flowers** Flowers are given today by Jim & Sylvia Louise Ryland in memory of their parents, John & Virginia Richardson and James R. & Betsy Ryland  
**Refreshments** Carla Chieffo  
**Devon Brass** Mark Ator, Jeff Estabrook, Frank Mercurio, Paul Steege  
**Cherub Choir** James Adams, Ryan Crill, Sarah Crill, Luke Ealer, Ellie Fisher, Brandon Marshall, Emily Marshall, Ryan Marshall

**ASH WEDNESDAY LENTEN LUNCHEON & COMMUNION SERVICE**

This Wednesday the women of St. John's will gather to mark the beginning of the Lenten Season. The Lenten Luncheon is an annual tradition where we gather in friendship, share a delicious lunch, hear a thought provoking message, and celebrate the Lord's Supper. This year worship will be led by our own Rev. Ridgley Joyner! We will begin at 11:30 AM and conclude around 1:00. We encourage you to invite your sister, mother, daughter, friend, neighbor, or co-worker. All are welcome! Childcare will be provided upon request. You can sign up at coffee hour, or contact Nancy Crawford or Kathy Johnson.

**ALL-CHURCH ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**

All members of the church are invited to join us in the sanctuary for worship **Wednesday from 5:30–6 PM**. This will be a time to center ourselves for the season of Lent, preparing our hearts and minds for the death and resurrection of Christ. What does it mean for *us* to die and be reborn with him? You are encouraged to bring a friend and then stay for dinner at Supper at St. John's at 6 PM.

**BLANKET DRIVE**

Please consider a contribution to the annual Women's Fellowship Blankets+ drive for Church World Service. Donations will be taken using the envelope included in your bulletin during the offering in worship, or at coffee hour. All around the world, Church World Services helps impoverished communities with the basic tools they need to sustain their families. Your gifts provide warm blankets, hygiene kits, clean-up buckets, seeds and tools for farming, and food for those in need. Checks may be made payable to St. John's, with "Women's Fellowship" in the memo.

**MILITARY CARE PACKAGES**

We are putting together care packages for two troops connected to our congregation. A list of requested items will be coming soon. The collection will run through the end of the month. Tables will be set up for writing notes/valentines in the coming weeks. The youth will be packing the boxes on February 25, and we will mail them by the beginning of March. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions!

### AN UPDATE ON PATRICK'S DOCTORAL WORK – TODAY!

Last month Patrick started working on a Doctor of Ministry (DMin) in Missional Leadership at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Join us in the Carriage House after worship (11 AM) to learn more about what he studied in those first two weeks, what the rest of the program looks like, and how we can be a part of this process with him!

### TEXAS MISSION OPPORTUNITY

In partnership with local churches and the First Presbyterian Church of Houston, St. John's has been invited to participate in three mission trips to Houston to repair homes damaged by Hurricane Harvey. Teams will be going on the following dates: April 21–29, June 23–30, and July 1–8. Each team needs people with skills in dry wall, carpentry, and electrical work, plus others ready to assist and learn these skills. Also needed are cooks and good listeners to sit, pray, and talk with homeowners and their children. The teams will stay in a home owned by First Presbyterian. The estimated cost per person is \$800 (airfare, rental vehicles, food, and contribution to materials). St. John's will contribute towards this cost for our volunteers. The idea for these trips grew out of a Mission Conference that took place in September. We hope that working together on projects such as this will result in stronger ties among our local churches and positively impact our larger community. Most importantly, we will be demonstrating God's love at work! If you are interested or want more information, contact Christine Markle, Nancy Higgins or Susanne Engheta.

### Journeying through Lent at St. John's

Lent is a season of preparation for the death and resurrection of Christ. This year we are offering a number of ways to help you do that.

#### Set your intentions

Begin the Lenten season with worship this Wednesday:

- Women's Luncheon & Communion Service (11:30 AM–1:00 PM)
- Church-wide Ash Wednesday Worship (5:30–6 PM)

#### Dig into the Word

Join us on Sundays as Patrick preaches through a series on the journey that Jesus takes to Jerusalem in Luke's gospel. What does it look like for us to take up our cross and follow him there?

#### Devote Yourself to God

We are offering two devotionals to guide you through the Lenten season:

- A weekly devotional for families to use together. Printed copies will be available on Wednesday and next Sunday.
- A daily devotional that you can download online at [https://www.pts.edu/devotional\\_1](https://www.pts.edu/devotional_1) or receive via email at <https://www.pts.edu/email> (check the box for "Devotionals: Advent & Lent"). A few printed copies will be available.

#### Pray

There will be prayer vigils in the sanctuary on Wednesdays (11 AM–1 PM and 4–6 PM). Sign up for a 20-minute time slot to sit in silence, pray, and reflect on the provided scripture and questions.

### ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES – TODAY!

Our next monthly concert will be **today from 5–6 PM**, and will focus on Opera Favorites! These concerts are free of charge and open to the community. Each month's concert will focus on a different theme, style of music, or composer, along with different instruments and vocalists. Please bring a friend and join us for an evening of amazing music!

### ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

<b>Sun, Feb 11</b>	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	11:00 am	Parent Meeting (Youth Room)
	4:00 pm	MS Youth Group
	4:45 pm	HS Youth Group
<b>Mon, Feb 12</b>	5:00 pm	Concert Series
	7:00 pm	Session Meeting (Kean Room)
<b>Wed, Feb 14</b>	11:30 am	Women's Lenten Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 pm	Cherub Choir Practice (Room behind kitchen)
	5:30 pm	Ash Wednesday worship (Sanctuary)
	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's
	7:00 pm	Confirmation Class

Patrick and Ridgley are out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. Lara is out on Saturdays and Sundays. If you email or call on those days, you may not get a response until they are back in the office. **If you have a pastoral emergency after hours or on a Saturday, you can call 610-764-6436.**



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

*The wisdom given at the lofty peak,  
included the instructions,  
"It's not yours to keep."*

– MaeAnn Jasa

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