St. John's at Worship Transfiguration of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements (please pass the fellowship roll)

Scripture Reading

Luke 9:28–36 (pg. 69)

*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

Holy God, we confess how hard it is to trust you fully.

We put our hope in human promises and worldly gain,

and find ourselves defeated and lost when things fall apart.

You love us more fully than anything we could experience in this world, but we do not seek you,

we do not hold on to you,

and we look to our own means of assurance and security.

Forgive us and call us back to you,

that we may put our trust in you and not be afraid.

May we hear your voice as clearly

as the disciples did on the day of the Transfiguration.

May we rise up and not be afraid in the name of Jesus,

who loves us and forgives us, we pray.

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 Exodus 34:29–35 (pg. 81) Wanda Odom

As Pre-K-4th grade leaves for Sunday School, we send them with this liturgy:

astor: Now we go our separate ways to worship and learn about God.

Cong: May God be with you there!
Children: May God be with you here!

Anthem "What a Friend We Have in Jesus/Tell It to Jesus" McDonald

Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2 (pg. 180)

Sermon WAFFLES, SPAGHETTI, AND THE SPIRITUAL LIFE Rev. Marshall

*Hymn **623, vv. 1–3** "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee"

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Traditional)

Invitation to the Table Great Prayer of Thanksgiving Communion of the People Prayer after Communion

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

Offertory *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 103, vv. 1, 3, 4 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*Postlude

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music Iris Blanco-Urgelles

Greeter Mimi Wright

Ushers *Laurie Cato and the Irizarry Family*

Flowers Given by Marie Cantafio in memory of her beloved

husband, Ralph, and her beloved daughter, Gemma.

Guest Musicians Jeff Estabrook (trumpet), Frank Mercurio (trumpet),

Kevin Walker (drums)

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 downstairs in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Our greeter, Mimi Wright, 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!

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S

Join us every Wednesday through March 27 for Supper at St. John's! We begin at 6:00 PM with a delicious church-cooked meal, followed by a choice of classes from 7–8 PM. Childcare is always available.

ST. JOHN'S GOT TALENT

St. John's is hosting a talent show! **Friday, March 29** is going to be a fun evening of potluck dinner and displays of talent. All members, young and young at heart, are invited to show off their God given gifts. We can accommodate performers and will also have tables to display any arts and handicrafts. If you are a musician, dancer, painter, knitter, crafter, magician, ventriloquist, stand-up comic, singer, good speller, or can do mental math while standing on your head, sign up for this event! Please contact Susanne Engheta for more information.

CARRIAGE CLUB – APRIL 12

Carriage Club will meet Friday, April 12 at Noon. Following lunch, newly retired 6ABC WPVI Action News Reporter (and St. John's own!) Vernon Odom will talk to us about "50 years of daily reporting and how TV news has changed due to technical advancement." Childcare will be available with 7 days' notice. Reservations, which are greatly appreciated, may be made by responding to the forthcoming e-mail invitation or by contacting Virginia Holt.

NORTH CAROLINA MISSION TRIP

In partnership with Westminster Presbyterian Church, we have been invited to participate in two mission trips to repair homes in North Carolina damaged by recent hurricanes. Teams of 20 people (18 years and older) will be driving down **April 7–13 and May 5–11.** Housing will be provided by First Presbyterian of Wilmington, NC. Work projects will be managed by Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry (WARM). No experience needed and cost is minimal. For more information, see handouts in Fellowship Hall or contact Christine Markle. If you are interested in going, please let Christine know as soon as possible, as members from several area churches are invited.

THANK YOU FROM THE DEACONS

The Deacons wish to thank both the youth and congregation for their help with our military package project. Thanks to the generosity of our congregation, youth group packed 2 very large and heavy packages on Sunday. These were sent abroad on Monday and will be greatly appreciated when they are received by the troops. Again many thanks for your thoughtfulness and efforts to spread cheer.

LENTEN LUNCHEON

On Wednesday from 11:30 AM to 1 PM, 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, hear a thought-provoking message and share communion. Our guest speaker, Courtenay Willcox, will give a message on "Peering into the Darkness." A member of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Courtenay is in her final year of seminary and is the former Moderator of the Presbytery of Philadelphia. We hope you will join us and bring your friends, or co-workers! Sign up at coffee hour, or contact Marianne or Lee Walsh.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

If you would like a daily devotional to guide you through the season of Lent, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (where Patrick is working on his doctorate) has one available. You can download it as a PDF at **www.pts.edu/devotional** or sign up to receive each day's devotion via email.



Sunday, March 3 (4-6 PM)

Youth in grades 5–12 are invited to the Irizarry's home (18 Sturbridge Lane, Chesterbrook) for an all-youth game night! Bring your favorite board/card game!

Sunday, March 10

Middle School: 4:00–5:15 PM High School: 4:45 – 6:00 PM

Youth Group T-Shirts are in! Pick yours up today!

SAVE THE DATE!

There are a few Christian Ed. events coming up that we want to make sure you get on your calendar:

Devon Horse Show Parking: Thursday, May 23 – Saturday, June 1 **Vacation Bible School**: Monday, August 12 – Friday, August 16

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Mar 3	8:00 am	Deacons Meeting (Carr. House)
,	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
		Communion (Traditional)
Wed, Mar 6	Ash Wednesday	
	9:00 am	Prayer Group
	11:30 am	Women's Lenten Luncheon
		and Worship Service
	5:30 pm	Cherub Choir
	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's
Sun, Mar 10	First Sunday in Lent	
	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting (Kean Room)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
		Baptism of Henry Churchill
Mon, Mar 11	7:00 pm	Session Meeting (Kean Room)

Patrick and Ridgley are out of the office on Friday and Saturday. Lara is out on Saturday and Sunday. 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 484-604-0499.



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

"Listen to your life.
See it for the fathomless mystery that it is.
In the boredom and pain of it
no less than in the excitement and gladness:
touch, taste, smell your way
to the holy and hidden heart of it,
because in the last analysis
all moments are key moments,
and life itself is grace."

- Fredrick Buechner