



## Worship of God in Christ February 27, 2022



"The Transfiguration" by Augustin Kolawole Olayinka

# Transfiguration Sunday

Marking of the Hour

Barbara Moore

*We mark the hour, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ,  
and centering us in the embrace of the Holy Spirit.*

Opening Words

Will Cooke

Prelude

Barbara Moore

“Let The Lord of Glory Enter Your Heart – Alleluia!” (Whiting)

Lighting the Candles

*We light these candles to welcome the Spirit, for they represent how Jesus is the  
Light of the world which guides us through life.*

Opening the Bible

*We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to us through the Holy Word.*

Call to Worship

Rev. Val Fisk

Leader: It is easy to stand here in the valley of our comfort.

**People: We know what to expect and what is expected of us.**

Leader: But Christ calls us to the mountaintop to receive a new vision.

**People: We are not sure we are ready for that.**

Leader: Place your hope and trust in Christ, for He is your guide.

**People: Let us open our hearts to Christ, ready for the vision he places  
before us. Amen.**

\*Hymn – “Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory” (stanzas 1 & 3)

\*Invocation

Rev. Will Brown

Greeting

Rev. Brown

*Please take a moment to pass and sign the red booklets found in each row  
so that we have a record of your presence with us today.*

Children’s Sermon

Erin Brown

\*Hymn – “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” (stanzas 1 & 4)

Old Testament Lesson – Psalm 99

Lily Gregg

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Morning Prayer and Blessing

Rev. Fisk

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on our Facebook page and at [universitybaptist.org/give](http://universitybaptist.org/give)*

\*Doxology

Gospel Lesson – Luke 9:28-36

Jay James

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Anthem – “We Shall Overcome” (arr. Love)

Jubilate, Sanctuary Choir,  
Charlottesville High School Choir

Sermon – “A Different Kind of Mountaintop”

Dr. Matthew Tennant

Meditation

Barbara Moore

Invitation

Dr. Tennant

*If you are interested in joining University Baptist Church or speaking  
with a minister, please come forward as we sing our final hymn.*

\*Hymn – “O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair” (stanzas 1 & 5)

\*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

\*Postlude – “Fugue in G Major” (Bach)

Barbara Moore

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

# Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Capo 3: (Dm)

(Gm)

(A7)

(Dm)

Fm

B<sup>b</sup>m

C7

Fm



★ 1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo - ry, heav - en's voice, the  
 2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la - tion, they shall gain and  
 ★ 3 Lord, trans-fig - ure our per - cep - tion with the pur - est

(Gm)

(A7)

(Dm)

(Gm)

(A7)

B<sup>b</sup>m

C7

Fm

B<sup>b</sup>m

C7



daz - zling light; Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish;  
 keep its truth, not by build - ing on the moun - tain  
 light that shines, and re - cast our life's in - ten - tions

(Dm)

(A7) (Dm)

(D)

(Bm)

Fm

C7

Fm

F

Dm



Christ a - lone com - mands the height! Pe - ter, James, and  
 an - y shrine or sa - cred booth, but by fol - low -  
 to the shape of your de - signs, till we seek no

(Em)

(A7)

(D)

(Bm)

(Em)

(A7) (D)

Gm

C7

F

Dm

Gm

C7

F



John fall si - lent, turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise down - ward  
 ing the Sav - ior through the val - ley to the cross and by  
 oth - er glo - ry than what lies past Cal - vary's hill and our

(Bm)

(Em)

(A7)

(D)

(Bm)

(D) (A7) (D)

Dm

Gm

C7

F

Dm

F

C7

F



toward the shad - owed val - ley where their Lord has fixed his eyes.  
 test - ing faith's re - sil - ience through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.  
 liv - ing and our dy - ing and our ris - ing by your will.

The first two stanzas of this 20th-century Transfiguration hymn guide singers through a contemplation of the disciples' experience of that event. The final stanza becomes a corporate prayer for enlightenment and for a renewed sense of commitment to doing God's will.

TEXT: Thomas H. Troeger, 1985

MUSIC: George Henry Day, 1940

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GENEVA

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(alternate tune: EBENEZER)

# Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

★ 1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.  
 ★ 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:  
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.  
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;  
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

## Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people

here below; praise Holy Spirit ever more;

praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988  
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551  
Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg

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# O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

Capo 3: (Am) (G) (Am) (C) (D) (Em)  
 Cm B<sup>b</sup> Cm E<sup>b</sup> F Gm

★ 1 O won - drous sight, O vi - sion fair  
 2 From age to age the tale de - clare,  
 3 The law and proph - ets there have place,  
 4 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray  
 ★ 5 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high

(Am) (Dm) (Am) (Em) (Am)  
 Cm Fm Cm Gm Cm

of glo - ry that the church shall share,  
 how with the three dis - ci - ples there,  
 two cho - sen wit - ness - es of grace;  
 Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day  
 by this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,

(G) (Dm) (Em) (G) (Am)  
 B<sup>b</sup> Fm Gm B<sup>b</sup> Cm

which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,  
 where Mo - ses and E - li - jah meet,  
 the Fa - ther's voice from out the cloud  
 what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove  
 for which in joy - ful strains we raise

(Em) (Dm) (F) (G) (Am)  
 Gm Fm A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm

where bright - er than the sun he glows!  
 the Lord holds con - verse high and sweet.  
 pro - claims his on - ly Son a - loud.  
 who joy in God with per - fect love.  
 the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This translation of a 15th-century Latin devotional text is set here to a majestic 15th-century tune celebrating the victory of an English king; they combine to evoke the awe and wonder of that moment of revelation the three disciples experienced in Christ's Transfiguration.

# WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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