

Transfiguration of the Lord • February 11, 2024

Glorify God, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ, and Meet Human Needs

GATHERING

God of glory, I greet you at the dawning of this day. Let my life proclaim Christ Jesus and the good news of the gospel from the rising of the sun to its setting; to the glory of your name. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE (11 A.M.)

How Great Thou Art

P. Basler

Dr. Paul Basler, horn

* Call to Worship

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed;

perplexed, but not driven to despair;

persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;

always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible though us.

* Hymn 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of all glory, beauty, and grace, we have tried to hide from you, to hide our faces, to hide our sin, yet you have never hidden your love for us. We have tried to search for you, in temples, in clouds, on mountaintops, yet you have already revealed yourself to us in the face of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, and transform us so that our lives may shine with your glory, beauty, and grace; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Now, O Lord, transform us as we continue our confession in silence.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* ACT OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

Hymn 581

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.

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 5:12-15 (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

OT pg. 162

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM (11 A.M.)

Walking With God

P. Basler

Chancel Choir; Dr. Paul Basler, horn; Shichu Xie, conductor

O! for a closer walk with God, a calm and a heavenly frame; a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb! Where is the blessedness I knew first I saw the Lord? Where is the soul refreshing view of Jesus and his word? What peaceful hours I once enjoyed! How sweet their memory still! But they have left an aching void, the world can never fill. Return, O holy Dove, return. Messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast. The dearest idol I have known, whate'er that idol be; help me to tear it from thy throne, and worship only thee. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (11 A.M.)

(Afterward, children in kindergarten through 2nd grade will be dismissed to Kids-4-God.)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Corinthians 4:7-12 (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

NT pg. 180

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Jars of Clay

Rev. Mark Hults

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONDING

* Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (11 A.M.)

Alleluia

P. Basler

Chancel Choir; Dr. Paul Basler, horn; Lucas Bradshaw, Dr. Chip Birkner, percussion

* Doxology Hymn 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.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

* 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.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Gluten-Free Bread)

PRAYER

SENDING

HYMN 377 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

* BENEDICTION

* Postlude (11 a.m.)

Grand March

K. McChesney

Jubilate Ringers; Dr. Paul Basler, horn

As we close the service, please sit for this special postlude. May this be time to meditate on the words that have been spoken and sung this morning.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Mark Hults, Evelyn Lewis, Dick Rauber, Scott Stuart

ELDER ON DUTY: Dick Rauber

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC & ORGANIST: Mitch Rorick

8:30 A.M. ORGANIST: Gavan McVey Chancel Choir, Jubilate Ringers

CHANCEL CHOIR ACCOMPANIST: Tiffany Fung

CHAPEL USHER: Robert Chamberlain; SANCTUARY USHERS: Fleetwood Fleming, Maralyn Foote, Perry Foote, Andy

Greer, Ken Mears

VIDEO TEAM: Marin Best, Owen Best, Troy Bleeker, Oliver Dowling; SOUND: Frank Counts

THE FLOWERS IN WORSHIP are given to the glory of God, in memory of Fred Sivia, and in honor of Lorraine Barber for her birthday with love from her family.

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Thank you for joining us in worship today. We pray that you experience Christ's presence in our midst and that His presence will sustain you in the week ahead.

Paul Basler is Professor of Music at the University of Florida where he has been on the faculty since 1993. Prior to his appointment at UF, he served as the Fulbright Senior Lecturer in Music at Kenyatta University in Nairobi, Kenya, taught at Western Carolina University, and was the North Carolina Visiting Artist in Residence at Caldwell Community College. Basler is a frequent guest performer, lecturer, and composer at national and international music festivals, horn society workshops, and educational institutions, and is on the faculty at the prestigious Kendall Betts Horn Camp. He has been a member of the Brevard, Charleston, Valdosta, Greenville, and Asheville Symphonies, and continues to maintain a busy performing schedule throughout the United States and abroad. Basler has received American Cultural Affairs Specialist Grants from the U.S. Department of State and for ten years served as Visiting Artist with the Dominican Republic's Ministry of Culture and National Conservatory of Music.

Basler's compositions have been performed throughout

the world and have received performances at Carnegie Hall, the Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles, the Festival Internacional de Música de Cantonigròs, Chicago's Orchestra Hall, the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod, the Kennedy Center, the Sydney Opera House, Lincoln Center, and by the Shanghai Symphony Orchestra. His music is published by Carl Fischer, Colla Voce Music, jamesnaigus.com, Walton Music, Hinshaw Music, WaveFront Music, ALRY Publications, Veritas Musica Publications, and the IHS Press.

Basler received his B.M. degree from Florida State University, M.M., M.A. and D.M.A. degrees from Stony Brook University and has garnered teaching awards from the University of Florida, Western Carolina University, the Dominican Republic's Ministry of Culture, and the Kenyan Office of the President's Permanent Music Commission. Basler's horn teachers have included William Purvis, William Capps, and Barry Benjamin, and his composition teachers have been John Boda, John Downey, Bülent Arel, John Lessard, and Billy Jim Layton.

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FPC Weekly Figures

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In-Person Attendance 2/4		225
Weekly Budget Requirement		\$35,061
Received Week of 2/4/24		\$52,102
Weekly Offering	\$23,929	
Designated Offerings	\$642	
Other Revenue		
Preschool	\$27,531	
FPC Fiscal Year: July 2023-June 2024		
YTD Budget Requirements		\$1,121,938
YTD Received		\$1,136,762
YTD Expenses		\$981,442
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Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

TEXT: Irish poem; trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912, alt. MUSIC: Irish ballad; harm. David Evans, 1927 Music Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press

SLANE 10.10.10.10

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 5:12-15 (NRSV)

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work – you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Corinthians 4:7-12 (NRSV)

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

377 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light





The author/composer of this unrhymed hymn regards it as a meditation and prayer deeply rooted in many Scriptures, most connected with the theme of light: Genesis 1:17; Psalm 139:12; Isaiah 60:19; Malachi 4:2; John 14:8; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:1–2; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 21:23.

TEXT and MUSIC: Kathleen Thomerson, 1966 Text and Music © 1970, 1975 Celebration

HOUSTON 10.7.10.8 with refrain

GLORIFY GOD

1stpc Music Lunch Series: Join us Tuesdays in February at 12:15 p.m. for 25-minute concerts with guest musicians followed by lunch. Bring your own lunch or purchase one for \$5. Tuesday, February 13 features pianist Dr. Jasmin Arakawa and pieces from Hadyn and Schumann. Lunch menu: chicken salad and egg salad sandwiches, SweetBerries gorgonzola salad, chips, Montreat blueberry pie, water, and lemonade.

Ash Wednesday worship will be held in the sanctuary on February 14 at 6:30 p.m. led by our Confirmation students, Cherub Choir, and Junior Choir. The entire church family is invited to join LOGOS for dinner at 5:45 p.m. The meal cost is \$5 per person/\$3 per preschoolaged child. Email Bev Vloedman to RSVP for dinner at dvloedman@aol.com.

Piano Recital: Monday, February 12 at 7:20 p.m., Tiffany Fung, our Chancel Choir Accompanist, will present a piano recital featuring preludes by Auerbach, Kapralova, and Chopin. Studying under the tutelage of Dr. Jasmin Arakawa, Tiffany is giving her final DMA recital. The concert will be held in room 101 of the UF Music Building. Free admission.

Make Disciples of Jesus Christ

Nursery Care (6 weeks old through pre-kindergarten) is available on Sundays from 10:45 a.m. through the end of the 11 a.m. worship service. Email Jenna Mueller at jdmueller2009@gmail.com with questions or to sign up. Families, please find the sign-in cart upstairs in the Christian Education building by room 204.

Children's Worship Guides are located in the narthex, and Gordon Hall. Pick one up before the service to help your child participate in worship and return the bags to the baskets after the service.

Kids-4-God: Children (K through 2nd) will gather in Room 217 after the Time for Young Disciples to engage with their faith through the end of the service. Families will reunite with their children in Gordon Hall following the worship service. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Evelyn Lewis at citytr122@gmail.com.

LOGOS: (Ages 3 through high school) Gather this Wednesday, February 14 at 3:30 p.m. for LOGOS, which includes worship arts, Bible time, recreation, and fellowship for children and youth with family time dinner. The meal is at 5:45 p.m. this week to allow time before worship. Email Bev Vloedman with questions or to RSVP for dinner at dvloedman@aol.com.

Youth Summer Camps 2024: Reserve your spot for camp today! A \$100 deposit is due by Wednesday, March 20. Questions? Contact Fred Lundy.

<u>The Great Escape</u> (entering 6th-9th) July 16-21 at Southwind in Ocklawaha, FL. Total Cost: \$475
<u>Fun in the Son</u> (entering 9th- graduates) June 23-28 in St. Simons Island, GA. Total Cost: \$525

College Café: All college students are invited to join us in

the Serving Room for lunch following 11 a.m. worship. Thank you to those providing today's meal! If you are interested in serving a meal to the college students, please contact Scott Stuart.

Multiply Sunday Class: Meet upstairs in <u>room 201</u> on the second floor of the Education Wing at <u>9:30 a.m.</u> as we continue our study of Hebrews.

Gordon Hoover Sunday School: Meet in the Church Library at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Enter through the Mary Gate or the sanctuary. All are welcome! Email Perry Foote at palbertfoote@gmail.com with questions.

February 11 1 Corinthians 13 Perry Foote February 18 1 Corinthians 14 Don McGarity

Easter in the Everyday: We are recommending this Lent devotional from Christianity Today. There are readings from Ash Wednesday through Pentecost on humility, hope, and love. Digital copies can be purchased at the Christianity Today store: ctmagazine.myshopify.com and print copies can be purchased on Amazon.

MEET HUMAN NEEDS

Let Us Remember in Prayer and Correspondence: Marilyn Ast, Melda Bassett, Jayne Fox, Carol Hayes-Christiansen, Kay Koons, Elizabeth Miller, and Marjorie Pedrick. Our men and women in the services: Ashley Dace, Matt Gowdy, Brian Hill, and Dan Williams; and first responders: Nick Gonzalez and Paul Samala.

The Souper Bowl of Caring is today, Sunday, February 11 and our youth invite you to join us for lunch! With many different varieties of soup to sample, you can try one or five! Financial and canned good donations for Gainesville Community Ministries will be gladly accepted. Current food needs include canned meat, canned fruit, and pasta sauce. We hope you will help us help those who minister to the homeless and hungry. Join us in Gordon Hall following 11 a.m. worship. No reservation needed.

College Scholarship Application forms are available in the church office or by email at business@1stpc.org. Submit the application, transcripts, and two letters of recommendation by Friday, March 15.

The third Love in Action concert will be held during 11 a.m. worship on April 14. In preparation, the Local Missions Committee is asking you to join our Love in Action Challenge: participate in at least one activity to share God's love with those in need in our community. We will have more information and suggestions in the coming weeks.

Tune in to Cox Channel 11 **now from 9-10 a.m.** for our televised broadcast **cc** or MyTV 28.2 for over the air broadcasts

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