

GATHERING

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We do not proclaim ourselves;

We proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as servants for Jesus' sake.

The God who said,

“Out of darkness the light shall shine!”

is the same God who has shone in our hearts

to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Let us worship God.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah; and in the voice from the cloud you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us, with Christ, heirs of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

*HYMN #474

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 2:1-12 (p. 332 Old Testament)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50:1-6

The Lord, God of gods, has spoken and has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God shines forth in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; before God there is consuming flame, and round about a raging storm.

God calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgment of the chosen people.

“Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”

Let the heavens declare the rightness of God's cause; for it is God who is judge.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 9:2-9 (p. 44 New Testament)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

SERMON

*HYMN (see insert)

Sing of God Made Manifest

SALZBURG

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (see insert)

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Magnify the Lord

J. Paige

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER

(see insert)

SENDING

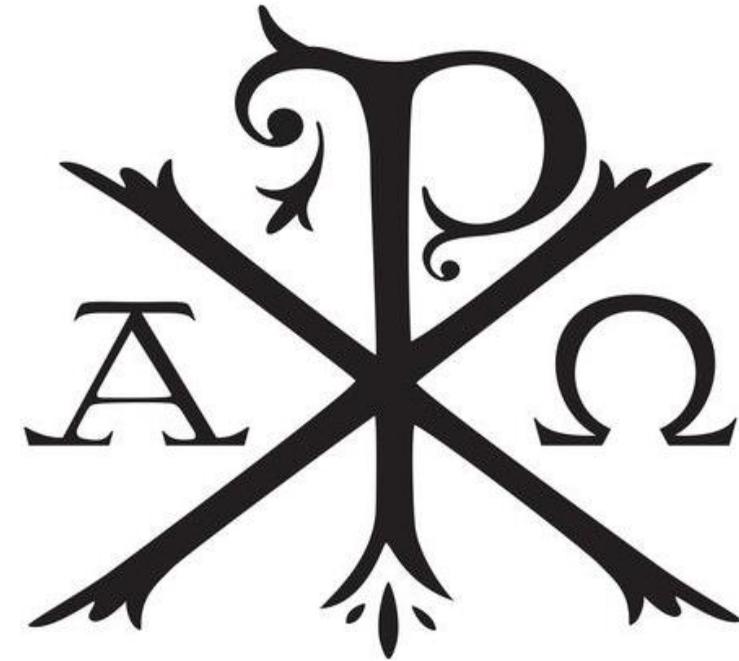
*HYMN #481

Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show

LLANFAIR

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



**ORDER OF WORSHIP
TRANSFIGURATION**

February 11, 2018
Presbyterian Church in Needham