



# The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

February 11, 2024

10:30 a.m.

## Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday

THE HEAVENS  
DECLARE HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ...  
PSALM 50:6, NRSV

*"The Mighty one, God, the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to where it sets." Psalm 50:1*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

#### Prelude

#### Welcome and Church Life Notes

#### Introit

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world and all who live in it,

**People: for he founded it on the seas, and established it on the waters.**

Leader: Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?

**People: The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol, or swear by a false God.**

Leader: Lift up your heads, you gates; Lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**People: Who is he, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty, he is the King of glory.**

#### \*Hymn

*"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"*

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#### Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess that we do not trust you fully. We put our hope in worldly gain and in human promises and find ourselves defeated when things fall apart. Forgive us. Call us back to you that we may put our trust in you and not be afraid. In the name of Jesus, who loves us and offers us forgiveness, we pray. Amen.**

*(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)*

#### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The good news in Christ is when we face ourselves and God, with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow and the courage to continue the journey of faith. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel, that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

#### \*Choral Response

*"Gloria Patri"*

#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, amen.*

#### \*Sharing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**Anthem**

*"Peace Like a River"*

performed by Tom & Susie Little

### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Oh Lord, on this Sunday of Transfiguration, we pray that your light would pour over us, as you did to your servants at the foot of the mountain. Send your spirit to show us your story as we dare to proclaim your word. In Jesus' blessed name. Amen.**

### **Old Testament Reading – 2 Kings 2:1-12**

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.'

Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.'

Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading – Mark 9:2-9**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

*"What We Learn Through Transfiguration"*

Pulpit Guest Ron Galley

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**\*Hymn**

*“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

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**\*Affirmation of Faith – The First Catechism**

Leader: Why do we celebrate Transfiguration Sunday?

**People: For the glorious revelation of God in Jesus Christ and the manifestation as the fulfillment of the law and the prophets.**

**Presentation of Gifts & Offerings**

**Call to the Offering**

Leader: It is written, “this is my son, my chosen, listen to him,”—that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Offerings may be made online at <https://fpcdelhi.org/offering/> or by USPS mail service.

**Offertory**

**\*Choral Response**

*“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

**#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 Dedication**

**Oh God, you are beyond words and description; your love is beyond description and explanation. Prepare our hearts to be ready to receive you. Change us, we pray, that our lives may reflect the glory of your Transfiguration. Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer**

... “forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors”

**\*Closing Hymn**

*“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”*

**#41**

**\*Charge to the Congregation**

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

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**Thought for the Day:** *“Christ leads us there because of our common destiny as partners in this mission of God. Christ leads us down the mountain and into the desert, because the true transfiguration, the true shining forth of God in all God's glory happens when we follow him there together.”*

*—Rev. Michael D. Kinman*

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Leading us in worship this morning:  
Pulpit Guest Ron Galley, Worship Leader  
Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim  
Billy Meredith, Music Director  
Ed Furgol, Liturgist

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Welcome to worship. May we always follow God's call to listen to his beloved Son.

*(Prayer)* Holy One, help us recognize you, whether we glimpse your bright glory or hear your voice amid the clouds that sometimes come with life.

Your **tithes and offerings** may be made online via PayPal, click the donate button at <https://fpcdelhi.org/offering>, or by regular USPS mail (4 Clinton Street, Delhi, NY 13753).

Our **mission focus for February** is the CWS Tools and Blankets program.

February is the month of love. Pastor Jamie is offering the opportunity for you and your loved one to **renew your marriage vows during worship on Sunday, February 25**. Following the service there will be a special celebration to rejoice together in our love for God and for one another. The Fellowship committee will be hosting a ham dinner! Please join us, whether you renewed your vows or not. Feel free to dress up fancy for this reception! (Not required, but hey—when else do you get to wear those old bridesmaid dresses? 😊)

The last Sunday of every month is a **BOUNTIFUL GIVING SUNDAY**. The Delhi Food Pantry is accepting **non-perishable food items**. You can also donate via <https://fpcdelhi.org/content/offering> or give cash or check donations designated for the food bank. Please make checks out to First Presbyterian Church. Checks may also be mailed via regular mail to the church at 4 Clinton Street, Delhi NY 13753.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Alex Cantwell and Cullen LaFever. The Trustees responsible for counting on February 18 are Ed Goff and Tom Little.

**Devotional booklets** (Upper Room and Daily Bread) are available outside the office and in the new narthex. Please take one for your daily devotions!



**THOUGHTS ON GIVING** “Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” - 1 Corinthians 10:31. Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If he’s not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other “gods” (like our pride, ego, money and possessions) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, “I’m I going this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?”

**STEWARDSHIP PRAYER:** That everything we do is for the glory of God.

The **Per Capita** amount for 2024 has been set at \$45.90 per member.

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 2-4-2024</i>	30 - 25 in sanctuary + approx. 5 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,759.08*
General amount given week of 2-4-2024	\$905.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$8,795.40
General amount given YTD as of 2-4-2024	\$9,591.55
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$336.54
Fuel Fund given week of 2-4-2024	\$0.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$1,682.70
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 2-4-2024	\$225.00
Kirk Receipts 1-28-24 to 2-3-24	\$1,339.54
Mission giving week of 2-4-2024	\$255.00
Mission giving YTD as of 2-4-2024	\$360.00
Apportionment Needed 2024	\$6,930.90
Apportionment received YTD as of 2-4-2024	\$367.55

\*General amount needed each week is total expenses minus budgeted savings transfers and fuel expenses.

<b>SUNDAY</b> February 11	<b>Pastor Jamie Away 1/29 to 2/15</b> <b>9:45 am Sunday School</b> <b>10:30 am Worship</b>
<b>MONDAY</b> February 12	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations</b> <b>9:00 am Kirk Work Day</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> February 13	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> February 14	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations</b> <b>10:30 am Gentle Yoga (Chapel)</b> <b>5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> February 15	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations</b> <b>9:00 am Kirk Work Day</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> February 16	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations</b> <b>9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open</b> <b>10:30 am Adult Ballet Class (Chapel)</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> February 17	<b>9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open</b> <b>9:30 am Yoga</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> February 18	<b>10:30 am Worship</b>