TRANSFIGURATION

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

THEME: A plan was made for our salvation. Thanks be to God.

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

WE CONFESS OUR SINS...

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and magnify your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Knowing that God is faithful and just to forgive, we now confess our sins.

Silence for Reflection

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son, Jesus, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE "Red Book" 234 (twice through) This is the Day

(Men) This is the day,
(Women) This is the day
(Men) That the Lord hath made,
(Women) That the Lord hath made.
(Men) We will rejoice,
(Women) We will rejoice
(Men) And be glad in it,
(Women) And be glad in it,
(All) This is the day that the Lord hath made,
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
(Men) This is the day,
(Women) This is the day
(All) That the Lord hath made.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray: Almighty God, on the mountain you showed your glory in the transfiguration of your Son. Give us the vision to see beyond the turmoil of our world and to behold the king in all his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

The First Lesson: Exodus 24:8-18

God reveals His power and glory to Moses

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

The Second Lesson: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Peter testifies that he saw the glory of God on the mountain

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

CHOIR ANTHEM Holy and Mighty By Pepper Choplin

The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 17:1-9

While Peter, James and John fall asleep.......God's glory is revealed

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG "Red Book" 74 Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty; And we lift our hearts before You as a Token of our love, Holy, holy, holy holy.

Gracious Father, Gracious Father, We're so blest to be Your Children, Gracious Father; And we lift our heads before You as a Token of our love, Gracious Father, Gracious Father.

Precious Jesus, Precious Jesus, We're so glad that You've redeemed Us, Precious Jesus; And we lift our hands before You as a Token of our love, Precious Jesus, Precious Jesus.

Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit, Come and fill our hearts a New, Holy Spirit; And we lift our voice before You as a Token of our love, Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, And we lift our hearts before You as a Token of our love, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

SERMON "There is no hitting rewind"

AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

OFFERINGS

The offerings gathered are a sign of our whole lives Offered to God in humble gratitude for his greatest of all Offerings, his Son offered for our salvation.

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

(after each prayer)
P: Lord in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you!

C: And also with you!

P: Lift up your hearts!

C: We lift them to the Lord!

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

WORDS OF CONSECRATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONGS

"Green Book" 518

Beautiful Savior

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, Truly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be thine!

Amassing Grace

CLOSING BLESSING

CLOSING SONG "Red Book" 115 Jesus Name Above All Names

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord, Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

Jesus, loving shepherd
Vine of the branches, Son of God
Prince of Peace, Wonderful counselor
Lord of the universe, Light of the world.

Jesus, Way of salvation, King of kings, Lord of Lords, The way the truth, and the Life, Mighty creator, my Savior and friend.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

POST-SERVICE MUSIC