

# St. George's, Cadboro Bay 10AM Order of Worship – Sunday, February 14, 2021 – Transfiguration Sunday

Preacher and Presider: Rev. Canon Jeannine Friesen

#### Welcome

# **Collect of the Day** (Canon Jeannine)

Almighty God, on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

# Opening Hymn – CP#167 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Thy glory fills the night;
thy face and garments, like the sun,
shine with unborrowed light.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, thy beauty to behold where Moses and Elijah stand, thy messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past promise of things to be, we hail thy body glorified, and our redemption see!

Before we taste of death, we see thy kingdom come:

O might we hold the vision bright and make this hill our home!

'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
but, since thou bidst us leave the mount,
come with us to the plain.

Kids' Talk – Leslie Flynn

**First Reading** 2 KINGS 2:1-12 (Joy Carroll)
A READING FROM THE SECOND BOOK OF KINGS

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church: Thanks be to God

#### Sung Alleluia

# **Gospel Reading** MARK 9:2-9 (Lawrence Saracuse)

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

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 any more, 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.

The Gospel of Christ:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Sung Alleluia

**Homily** (Canon Jeannine)

Musical Interlude

**Prayers** (Margaret Smart)

**Lord's Prayer Sung** 

# **Closing Prayer and Blessing (Canon Jeannine)**

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
May we reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know
his power to change and save.
We ask this in his name.
Amen.

And may God's peace which passes all understanding be in your hearts and minds this day, and may the blessing of our ever-loving bless God who creates, redeems and sustains us be amongst you this day and every day.

# Closing Hymn - #505 - Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father; thine own may I be, thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Riches I heed not, nor the world's empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, when victory is won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

**Dismissal** (Canon Jeannine)
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord **All: Thanks be to God.**