

Transfiguration Sunday
2018

February 11,

*Please silence all cell phones.
stand as able.*

**Please*

PREPARATION

Silent

*Elijah said to him, "Elisha, tarry here, I pray you; 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." - II Kings 2:4
And after six days 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...." - Mark 9:2*

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements (Please sign friendship
pads)

Ringling the Bell

Introit *There's a Spirit of Love in This Place*

*Call to Worship

Come up to the top of the mountain,
to worship the Lord our God.

**But it's a long and hard climb. The wind is
strong,
and it's cold.**

Come anyway. There's something you can only see from up
there.

**But the couch is soft, the fire warm and the
television
entertaining.**

Come and seek the Lord. Come apart from the others.

**But there's so much to do right down here where
we are.**

Come, let us leave the familiar and the comfortable,
and journey upward.

**But we don't know all the dangers, and we might
get hurt.**

Come, says the Lord, and follow me.

Okay then, let us trust the Lord our God enough
to
worship Him.

***Hymn 267** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

MADRID

CONFESSION AND PARDON

*Unison Prayer of Confession

**Lord, where we live here on Long Island, we have
hills but they are not very high. We can climb them
easily, and the view at the top is okay, but not really
spectacular. But we know there are real mountains
to be climbed, if only we would take the time and
make the effort. The views from our hilltops are
soothing. But the views from the tops of the
mountains are breathtaking. And invigorating. And
life-changing. Lord, we confess our reluctance to
leave the low spots of our familiar daily routines.
Lift us up, Lord, where we can dare to look out upon
the depths of our own life and powers of love. Where
we can see beyond our own security and be
transformed by the power of your love within us. In
Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon

***Response of Praise No. 581** *Gloria Patri*

*The Exchange of Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you. **P:** And also with you.

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

**Children's Sermon and the Lord's Prayer
Scout Sunday**

*The Congregation sings Jesus Loves Me! vs. 1
(Children and Youth are excused for Church School)*

Anthem

It Is Well With My Soul

Postlude

BECK

Reading from the Old Testament

II Kings

2:1-12

Reading from the New Testament

Mark

9:2-9

L: This is the Word of the Lord. P: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

The View from the Mountaintop

Rev. John

Kloepfer

***Hymn 190**

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

GENEVA

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Recognition of New Church Member

Dennis Kingwell

**Ordination and Installation of New Elders and
Deacons**

Thanking God through the Offering

Offertory *As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought*

***Doxology No. 606** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings
Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn 744**

Arise, Your Light Is Come

FESTAL SONG

***Charge and Benediction**

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SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10 A.M.

CHURCH SCHOOL FOLLOWING CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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Welcome . Include . Involve