

# THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Transfiguration of the Lord

January 15, 2012

### THE PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

### +CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Isaiah 61)

*L- The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon us, because the LORD has anointed us;*

**P-The Lord has sent us to bring good news to the oppressed,**

*L: to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives,*

**P: and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,**

*L- For LORD loves justice, God hates robbery and wrongdoing*

**All- We will greatly rejoice in the LORD, our whole being shall exult in God.**

### +HYMN OF PRAISE 461 God Is Here!

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious and ever loving God, you have made of one blood all peoples and nations, yet we still live in a world that divides us into races, classes, and

creeds. For any giving in to the racism that still lingers within us, forgive us. For our going about our own affairs and paying no attention to those still victimized by racism, sexism, or any other form of prejudice, forgive us. Renew our hearts, minds and souls, so that with the apostle Paul, we might regard no one from a human point of view, but instead, see everyone through the eyes of Christ.

## SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

L- *There are no walls that Christ cannot tear down, and no sin but one (that of the unrepentant heart) which he cannot forgive.*

P- **God's arms remain open to us always, ever ready to embrace us in the wideness and wildness of his mercy to welcome us home again.**

L- *In the name of Christ who makes all things new,*

P- **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

## PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## ANTHEM

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord God, open our hearts and minds to your written word, that we might understand your will; and understanding, might rise up and follow your Son, who is your Living Word. AMEN

## A LESSON FROM THE Old Testament Amos 5:14-15; 21-24

A LESSON FROM THE New Testament 1 Corinthians 5:14-21

THE SERMON Seeing Through the Eyes of Christ Dr. Edward McNulty

+HYMN (STF) 2223 They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

THE SERVICE OF GIVING

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION OFFERTORY SIGNING THE FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

The Lord's Prayer

THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

L: *There are different gifts,*

P: **But it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

L: *There are different ways of serving God,*

P: but it is the same Lord who is served.

L: *God works through different persons in different ways,*

P: But it is the same God who achieves his purposes through them all.

L: *Each one is given a gift by the Spirit,*

P: To use it for the common good.  
L: *Together we are the body of Christ,*  
P: And individually members of him.

**PRESENTATION of CANDIDATES for ORDINATION and INSTALLATION**

**The Constitutional Questions**

**The Promise of the Congregation**

**The Laying on of Hands**

*(As candidates kneel all who have served as deacons or elders may come forward to share in the laying on of hands.)*

**The Declaration of Installation and Prayer**

**All: God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ. Trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ the Lord of all. Amen**

+HYMN (STF) 2242 Walk With Me

**THE CHARGE**

**THE BENEDICTION**

**THE POSTLUDE**