

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Transfiguration Sunday

*The Worship of God begins with the Opening Voluntary.
As you enter, pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.*

March 3, 2019 Eleven o'clock in the morning

*Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.
— Psalm 99:9*

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES Jessica Thorne and Matt Rooney

VOLUNTARY *All Glory be to God on High* Johann Gottfried Walther
Organ

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High Agincourt Hymn
Setting by Philip L. Roberts

Chancel Bell Choir
Charles Todd, director

INTROIT Simon Lole

Spirit of God enfold me,
Spirit of God wash me,
Spirit of God fire me,
Spirit of God love me.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 144 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!* HYFRYDOL

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Daniel Ingram

Minister: The Lord reigns over this world!

Congregation: May all of God's people and the earth itself tremble in wonder and awe.

Minister: The Lord is exalted over the nations!

Congregation: Let all people see that evil ways lead to destruction, but the ways of God lead to life.

Praise the great name of the Lord!

Minister: The glory of the Lord was seen on the mountain, clothed in mystery.

Congregation: Help us, O Lord, to behold your might and radiance, declare your worthiness of praise, and follow where you lead.

Minister: May the Lord be with you and guide you.

Congregation: The Lord also be with you.

*INVOCATION AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

ANTHEM *Arise and Shine!* John R. Paradowski

Arise and shine! Your light has come to all who dwell in darkness.
Arise and shine, for in our midst the light of Christ is with us.

We who walked in dark of night have seen a great light.
A star has shown our Lord was born; the dawn on this new day.

Jesus stood on the mountain peak: transfigured Lord.
Where brighter than the sun he glowed; to him we raise our song.

Crusader and Youth Choirs
Chancel Bell Choir
David Gulick, piano

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 34:29-35 (pp.71-72) Christie Lessels

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI Hymn 579

**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.**

*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 9:28-36 (p. 843)

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord.

Congregation: Praise be to you, O Christ.

*HYMN OF DEVOTION 73 *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory* GENEVA

*OFFERTORY SENTENCES Sandy Rooney

ANTHEM AT OFFERTORY *Nunc dimittis in F major* Harold W. Friedell

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
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.

River Road Camerata and Chancel Choir
David Gulick, organ

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS Doxology, Hymn 592

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Children in grades 1-2 may meet Mrs. Sandy Rooney
at the front of the Sanctuary, on the pulpit side, to continue worship in the chapel.*

SERMON *From the Mountain to the Valley* Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lord Jesus Christ, God's glory and love shone through you on the mountain and you revealed that glory and love through your words and deeds; through your life of humble service. We hear again these wonderful words of God, "You are my Son, the Beloved, listen to him!" We confess our failure to listen to you, admitting that our attitudes conceal—rather than reveal—your glory and your love. Cleanse our lives of wrong attitudes of mind and heart, so that we reveal your glory in all we do, say, and are. This we pray in your name and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (in unison)

Eternal God, you have loved us and welcomed us with mercy and grace beyond what we could ever earn or deserve. For this welcome and forgiveness, we give you thanks. With deep gratitude we sing to you:

SANCTUS (*sung by all*) William Mathias

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus, composed by William Mathias. It consists of five staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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THE BLESSING AND BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE BLESSING AND GIVING OF THE CUP

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

If you desire to become a member of River Road Church, you are invited to come forward to the chancel steps at this time, and our pastor will meet you.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 229 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*BENEDICTION

EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

VOLUNTARY *Offertoire sur les grands jeux (from Mass for the Parishes)*
François Couperin

** Please stand, if you are able*

WELCOME TO RIVER ROAD CHURCH! Our congregation is an open fellowship gladly receiving those who wish to share in its life and community by request for baptism, statement, or transfer from another church. If you desire to become a member, you are invited to come forward directly after the sermon, during the *Time of Reflection and Response*, or speak with a minister at any time.

TODAY IS KNOWN AS TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY and is the final Sunday in the season of Epiphany. This season calls attention to the words and deeds of Jesus' earthly ministry by which his divine sonship is made manifest. As we consider the Transfiguration of the Lord, we find Christ's divine sonship is reaffirmed. The liturgical color for today is white, recalling Jesus' appearance in glorious splendor.

THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP is our opportunity to welcome you to worship. During this time, please sign the register in the maroon binder as it is passed along the row. If you are our guest today, please include contact information so we may welcome you.

TO ENHANCE WORSHIP FOR CHILDREN, age-appropriate children's bulletins and worship bags are in the narthex (foyer at the back of the Sanctuary).

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of Dr. Ryan Emerson Nelson on his birthday by his parents, Ray and Ralph Nelson.

THE RECEPTION AFTER WORSHIP is held in the Fellowship Hall. It is hosted by deacons Janet Ahl, Cynthia Lantz, Mary Murphy, and Ray Nelson. Everyone is invited to attend.

CONGRATULATIONS to Catharine and Cory Broadnax upon the birth of their daughter, Eden Avery, on February 24, and to big sister and brother Teddy and P.J.

The Fellowship Fund

The Fellowship Fund is a special collection for RRCB members and other individuals in crisis in our community, and is sustained by ongoing gifts outside of the annual budget. It is quietly administered by the Board of Deacons, with the support of the church staff, after a screening process. Please consider making a generous gift to the Fellowship Fund. Your gifts throughout the year are important in making this ministry possible. *Specialty marked blue envelopes are always in the pew racks.* In 2018, we assisted over 400 families with over \$68,000 in payments toward rent; electric, water, gas bills; background checks for employment; CARITAS furniture bank; and transportation tickets.

Youth Fundraiser & Shrove Tuesday Party Tuesday, March 5, 5:45-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Families and adults of all ages are invited to a pancake supper to support the Youth Mission Trip to Lumberton, NC in June. The youth will serve pancakes, bacon, and fruit for dinner, and the cost is \$5 per person (\$20 family max). After dinner everyone will celebrate with activities including mask making, fake tattoos, a cake walk, coloring, and a photobooth. RSVP online at rrcb.org/shrovetuesday or call the church office. If you would like to donate food, please contact Marnie Fisher-Ingram (marnie@rrcb.org).

Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event Saturday, March 9, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall

We will pack over 10,000 nutritiously sound meals for distribution through the Rise Against Hunger network. The meals we packed last March were sent to Haiti in May! This is a great opportunity for children 5 and older to participate alongside adults and youth in a mission project. Please visit rrcb.org/rah to sign your family up for this event. We are in need of 8-10 individuals to help unload the RAH truck at 7:30 a.m. Please contact Chris Mactuck if you are able to assist. Please contact Sandy Rooney if you need childcare for your child under 5.

Bring a lunch for a time of fellowship after packing meals!

After Rise Against Hunger, we will gather as a church family, share a meal, and enjoy a time of fellowship. Bring a brown bag lunch and the church will provide drinks. We will talk about the impact this mission project has on the world.

Sun, March 3	Reception , 12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall River Road Camerata , 4:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room Chancel Bell Choir , 5:00 p.m., Bell Room Youth Choir , 5:00 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room Crusader Choir , 6:00 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room Youth Snack Supper , 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall Youth Program , 6:15 p.m., Youth Area Board of Missions , 7:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Mon, March 4	Women's Bible Study: Joyful Hearts , 9:30 a.m., LC 102 Board of Deacons , 7:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Tues, March 5	Men's Fellowship Breakfast , 7:00 a.m., Reception Room Shrove Tuesday Supper & Party , 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall Evening Bridge , 7:30 p.m., LC 102
Wed, March 6	Men's Group: The Huddle , 8:00 a.m., Reception Room Stephen Ministry , 4:30 p.m., Parlor Wednesday Night Dinner , 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall Crusader/Carol Choir , 5:45 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room Cherub Choir , 6:00 p.m., UC 232 TFC: Ash Wednesday Service , 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary TFC-Kids , 6:30 p.m., UC 228
Thurs, March 7	FIXERS , 8:00 a.m., Reception Room Yoga , 5:45 p.m., Assembly Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal , 7:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
Fri, March 8	FLO (For Ladies Only) Luncheon , 12:00 p.m., Crab Louie's Lenten Adult Event: "Listening for God," 6:00 p.m., St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Sat, March 9	Rise Against Hunger , 9:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall High School Hangout , 6:00 p.m., Marnie's house

Thoughtful Faith Community — Wednesday, March 6, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Dinner, 5:30-6:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Menu: Salsa Verde Pork OR Potato & Kale Enchiladas, Cilantro Rice Pilaf, Smoky Roasted Carrots, Piña Colada Cake | **Kids Entrée:** Beef Tacos

Crusader Choir /Carol Choir, 5:45-6:30 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room: 1st – 5th grades
Cherub Choir, 6:00-6:30 p.m., UC 232: preschool & kindergarten

TFC-Multi-generational, 6:30-7:00 p.m., Sanctuary: Ash Wednesday Service
We prepare for the pivotal church season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday Service of Worship. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, the season of spiritual renewal leading up to Easter. The season of Lent focuses upon repentance for sin and preparation for sharing in the death and resurrection of Christ. On Ash Wednesday, we express sorrow for the ways in which we as Christians have not lived into the fullness of our calling, and we recognize our humanity through the receiving of ashes. The service will include the imposition of ashes for those who wish to receive them. Youth will attend this service, and children will join their families at the time to receive ashes.

TFC-Kids, 6:30-7:00 p.m., UC 228: Ash Wednesday Learning

E. Carl Freeman Concert Series Harpichord Recital — Daniel Sañez Sunday, March 10 at 2:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Harpichordist Daniel Sañez will perform works by Louis and François Couperin, Frescobaldi, Froberger, Scarlatti, and Bach. He is Director of Music and Liturgy for the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond, VA. Mr. Sañez holds degrees from Boston College and Oberlin Conservatory. He was also a Fulbright Fellowship recipient, allowing him to study organ at famed St. Thomas Church in Leipzig, Germany, where Bach served as music director for twenty-seven years.



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