

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP ON FEBRUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2022.**

***Keswick & Ravenshoe Pastoral Charge***

Minister: Rev. Calin Lau                      VAM: Rev. Dianne Graves  
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VU – Voices United Hymnbook              MV – More Voices

***TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY***

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Land Acknowledgement**

**Announcements**

**Pass the Peace**

Peace be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Lighting of the Christ candle**

We light this candle as a symbol of the light of Christ, which cannot be held back by distance, which shines in each one of us, no matter where we are.

**Singing of the Lord's Prayer VU 960**

**Call to Worship**

We come into this ordinary place expecting the extraordinary: community in the hands and hearts of everyday people, spirits lifted in the words and music of weekly worship, and nourishment in broken bread and shared cup (chimes)

A way is made through the wilderness of our souls; valleys lifted and mountains brought low, for Spirit to come alive within us again (chimes)

A voice assures us, "You are my beloved ones" and we are called to be Christ's community, proclaiming that now is the time of God's favour (chimes)

Let us worship in the glory of God.

**Hymn: MV 145 Draw the Circle Wide**

**Gathering Prayer (*unison*)**

**Through clouds of wonderment, of uncertainty, of anxiety, sometimes, we hear your voice, O God, proclaiming the presence of Spirit in the midst of our day-to-day living. We pause and become mindful. We pause and listen to the voice within and around. We pause and worship the astounding glory of your presence. Amen.**

**Responsive Scripture: Psalm 99 VU 819**

**Hymn: MV 1 Let Us Build a House (v. 1, 4, 5)**

**Scripture Reading:** Exodus 34: 29-35 (NRSV)     *Wayne Butcher*  
Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

This is the Word of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Reflection "Holy Mystery"**

Hymn: MV 144 Like a Healing Stream

We Give and Receive our Offering

We give this offering as a symbol of our faithfulness in return.

Offertory Hymn: VU 579 The Church is Wherever (v. 2)

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

We have been awakened to the glory of God shining around us in gifts both great and small. Thankful for God's faithful presence.

May it bring healing where there is brokenness, comfort where there is chaos, and justice wherever there is a need. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Hymn: MV 97 Listen, God Is Calling (3x)

**\*Commissioning and Blessing**

This season closes. Another begins with its own journey, leading to a cross, and through that cross to new life.

But there is much we must encounter before we reach that empty tomb. Take these hopes, birthed in the memory of God's tender, firm voice proclaiming that, wherever we are, we are in the presence of the Christ. Amen.

Hymn: VU 429 May the Blessing of God Be Upon You

Postlude

Announcements:

The Boutique will be re-opening Tues., Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> with a Bag Sale on Sat., Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> (9-Noon). Hours will be Tues. 3 - 6; Wed. 10 - Noon; Fri. 10 - Noon; Sat. 10 - Noon. If you wish to volunteer, please call Lila Juhos or the office. Starting Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be sending out (via email & mail) "Pages for Lent". Watch for it & enjoy!

# *Keswick & Ravenshoe United Church Transfiguration Sunday*



*February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

*Rev. Calin Lau*