



Last Sunday after the Epiphany

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## Transfiguration Sunday



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*Auditoire de Calvin, March 2 2025*

*Sunday of the Transfiguration*

**Prelude** *Prelude in D minor (BWV 539)*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

**Introit** *Christ upon the mountain peak*

Brian Wren (b. 1936)

**Welcome**

**Call to worship**

*How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
which doth all beings keep!*

*Thy knowledge is the only line  
to sound so vast a deep.*

*Thou art a sea without a shore,  
a sun without a sphere;*

*thy time is now and evermore,  
thy place is everywhere.*

**CH4 135** *O Laughing Light*

**Prayer and Lord's prayer**

**Talk with children**

**CH4 443** *He is Lord!*

**New Testament** *Luke 9:28–43a*

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking about his exodus, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep, but as they awoke they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah," not realizing what he was saying. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here." While he was being brought forward, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

### **Offering**

**Music** *Chorale Prelude on "Vater unser im Himmelreich (BWV 737). JS Bach*

**CH4 807** (as the offering is brought forward)  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

### **Prayer of dedication**

Your hands, Lord, like your heart are always open, ready to embrace, keen to bless. The table you lay groans with good things; the cup you fill overflows; ...and this not for the expected guests But for the last and the least, for those to whom the world has shown no generosity. Make my hands and my heart, my table and my wallet, well-worn, like yours, with love. Amen.

*(More than Words)*

**CH4 355** You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd

### **Sermon**

#### **Hymn**

1 How shall I sing that majesty  
which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
thy throne, O God most high;  
ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
thy praise; but who am I?

2 Thy brightness unto them appears,  
whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
a sound of God comes to my ears,  
but they behold thy face.

They sing, because thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
for where heaven is but once begun  
there alleluias be.

3 Enlighten with faith's light my heart,  
in flame it with love's fire;  
then shall I sing and bear a part  
with that celestial choir.

I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,  
with all my fire and light;  
yet when thou dost accept their gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.

4 How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
which doth all beings keep!

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to sound so vast a deep.

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a sun without a sphere;

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**Solo** *How beautiful are the feet* (The Messiah)  
George Friedrich Handel (1685–1759)

### **The Lord's Supper**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the**

**Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Prayers for others**

**CH4 132** *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

**Blessing (CH4 786)**

*May the God of peace go with us*

**Benediction & threefold Amen**

**Postlude** *Threnody*. Peter B Billington

*Welcoming elder* Rosaleen Walker  
*Ushers* Amy Petty, Vivien Liu  
*Reader* Rosaleen Walker  
*Organ* Peter Billington  
*Soprano* Vivien Liu  
*Choir* Peter Tulloch

**Flower rota** If you would like to donate flowers on a particular date (or dates!), please email Rosemary Hill ([hillrosemary@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hillrosemary@yahoo.co.uk)) or fill in your name on the sheet in the Salle.

**Partage. The Geneva food bank**

Collection on the first Sunday of each month. A list of suitable items can be found at the back of the church. Crates are available in the Salle for your donations. See [bit.ly/47Ln0sT](https://bit.ly/47Ln0sT) (type into browser or click on link) Thank you!

**March 2, 19h**, Gospel Concert  
Emmanuel Episcopal Church

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Annual Congregational Meeting, June 1



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