



# The Setauket Presbyterian Church

*“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”*

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

Transfiguration Sunday

February 15, 2015

9:30 AM

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### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*We use this time to make the transition between “getting here” and “being here”.*

*Take these few minutes to find the still, deep places within you, where God’s Spirit dwells.*

*February is Black History Month, and in the church it’s a time to explore and celebrate the African heritage of the Christian faith, down through the centuries.*

**Prelude** *Moment Musicaux no. 2*

Schubert

**Ringing of the Steeple Bell**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit** *Keep the Sabbath Day*

John Ness Beck

**\* Call to Worship**

From seashore to mountain top, from lonely place to hillside, from touching lepers to touching glory, this has been the reign of God.

**From the Jordan to the present, from the beginning to here, from the Galilee to this place, let us gather in the transfigured light of God.**

**\* Hymn 405** *Praise God for This Holy Ground*

HEYMONYSTRAAT

### PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

**Holy Lord, we are not always ready to meet you. Your Glory is too bright and your mission is too hard. We often doubt instead of showing faith, we act confused instead of following, we thrill with the mountain top experience, and all but lose our vision when we return to the plain. We do not listen to your voice: forgive us Lord. We are not ready for your Glory: prepare us Lord.**

*(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection) Amen.*

**Assurance of God’s Grace**

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

**For his sake our sins are forgiven. In him the veil of God’s glory is lifted and we are transformed from one degree of glory to another. By the power of the Holy Spirit showing the mercy of God we are now engaged in the ministry that brings glory to the Creator, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen**

**\* Gloria**

an African-American spiritual

- 1. *Glory, glory, hallelujah! since I laid my burden down, Glory, glory, hallelujah! since I laid my burden down.***
- 2. *I feel better, so much better, since I laid my burden down, Feel like shouting, “Hallelujah!” since I laid my burden down.***

### WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

## HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 288 Spirit of the Living God

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...*

First Reading Exodus 34:29-35

Anthem *Behold Now, Praise the Lord*

Everett Titcomb

Second Reading Luke 9:28-36

THE SERMON Reflecting God's Light

Ruling Elder Marie Zupka-Ludder

\* HYMN 666 *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright*

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

## THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

(Please sign the Friendship Rosters found at the end of the pew, noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

\* Doxology: Hymn 605

from Ghana

*Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;  
praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One.  
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.  
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.*

\* Prayer of Dedication

God of great wonders, we join with you in the joy of giving. You give us life and breath; you fill the world with beauty, our hands with bounty, and our hearts with the desire to give. Accept these gifts, and ourselves in your service. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* HYMN 190 *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory*

GENEVA

\* CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *Free at Last*

arr. Cleveland and Nix

POSTLUDE *Moment Musicaux No. 1*

Schubert

*\*please rise in body or in spirit; unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

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### NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Worship Service and the Rev. Mary Speers preaching; Childcare (ages 1 - 3)

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade)

11:00 Children's Choir in the Preschool Room

11:00 Adult Education Class in the Parlor

11:00 Child Protection Policy Training in the Jr./Sr. High Room

1:00 North Shore Chamber Choir meeting in the Jr./Sr. High Room

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