FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM

Transfiguration Sunday
Contemporary Service
February 27, 2022

GATHERING SONG

House of the Lord — **Phil Wickham**

Verse 1
We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God He holds the victory yeah

Chorus 1
There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

Interlude
Oh oh oh
We shout out Your praise

Verse 2
We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

Bridge
('Cause) We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

Interlude
There is joy in this house oh yeah
There is joy there is joy
And we won't be quiet
We're gonna shout out Your praise

Chorus 2
There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
We're gonna shout out Your praise
There is joy
There is joy surely in this place
We won't be quiet
We shout Your praise

Ending
We shout out Your praise
There is joy in this house
There is joy in this house today
We shout out Your praise
We shout out Your praise

Living Hope **Phil Wickham**

Verse 1
How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 2
Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus
Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 3
Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me (REPEAT)
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

Ending
Jesus Christ my living hope
Oh God You are my living hope

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PASSING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE

Build My Life **Brett Younker**

Verse 1
Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Verse 2
Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Chorus
Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge
I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Peace, you come to us in Jesus of Nazareth and ask us to follow; yet we go our own way. Your voice calls us to listen; yet we insist on speaking. You invite us to join with Peter, James, and John on the mountain of Transfiguration; yet we deny the wonders you have worked in our own lives. You ask us to acknowledge and share our wealth; yet we refuse to recognize and relieve the poverty around us. You bless our lives with boundless love; yet we fail to witness to that love and we keep others from knowing you. Forgive us, we pray. Transform us by your Spirit and your Word into the image of Christ, the hands and feet of Jesus.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

INTERLUDE

Come Lord Jesus, Quickly Come (V1-Ch/V2-Ch) **Nathan Jess**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING	Psalm 99 from Nan Merrill's *Psalms for Praying*	Liz Mountain
SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 9:28-36	The Rev. Lindsey Altvater Clifton
SERMON	"The Sound of Silence"	The Rev. Lindsey Altvater Clifton

SONG OF PRAISE

God Is Here **Israel Houghton**

Verse 1
Open our eyes Lord we want to see You
Open our hearts Lord we want to know You
Open our ears Lord we need to hear You
Jesus be revealed
Jesus be revealed

Chorus
God is here God is here
God is here He is able
We draw near to see Jesus face to face
God is here God is here
God is here He is faithful
We draw near to see Jesus
Oh Jesus be revealed

Interlude
Oh oh oh oh oh oh

Verse 2
Open the gates Lord reveal Your glory
Open the nations establish Your Kingdom
Open the Heavens pour out Your Spirit
Jesus be revealed
Jesus be revealed

Chorus
God is here God is here
God is here He is able
We draw near to see Jesus face to face
God is here God is here
God is here He is faithful
We draw near to see Jesus
Oh Jesus be revealed

Interlude
Oh oh oh oh oh oh

Bridge
Holy we cry holy
Hallelujah God is here
Holy we cry holy
Hallelujah God is here
(REPEAT)

Chorus
God is here God is here
God is here He is able
We draw near to see Jesus face to face
God is here God is here
God is here He is faithful
We draw near to see Jesus
Oh Jesus be revealed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING SONG

Majestic **Lincoln Brewster**

Verse 1
O Lord our Lord
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth
O Lord our Lord
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth

Chorus 1
The heavens declare Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You
The mountains they bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth
And I'll give my praise to You

Bridge
I will worship You
I will worship You
I will worship You
I will worship You

We will worship You
We will worship You

Chorus 2
The heavens declare Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You
The mountains they bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth and I'll sing
The heavens declare Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You
The mountains they bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth
And I'll give my praise to You

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
(Reprise)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The church office will reopen beginning tomorrow, February 28, for its regular schedule of Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. The South entrance door will also be open during that time. We encourage you to make appointments with office staff, some of whom are still working remotely for part of their schedules.

- On Wednesday (March 2) at 7 p.m. we will offer an Ash Wednesday service, both in person in Fellowship Hall and via Facebook livestream.