

Transfiguration Sunday – February 10, 2013

Music Prelude		Glenda Teachey
Call To Worship	“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”	#349
Welcome & Announcements		
*Procession	“Take Time to Be Holy”	#395
*Lighting of the Altar Candles		
Praises & Prayer Requests		
Hymn of Preparation	“Thy Word Is a Lamp”	#601
Liturgy of the Word:		
New Testament	1 Corinthians 14:12-20	Barb Cook
Psalms	Psalm 17:1-6, 14-15 <i>(Responsively)</i>	
Special Music	“No Want Shall I Know”	Rockland Choir
*Gospel	Luke 4:14-32	Pastor Bill Faupel

*L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
P: Thanks be to God.*

Message: “Rejection at Nazareth” Pastor Bill Faupel

This morning’s Gospel reading reminds me of an experience I had early in my ministry. I had just been student pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Sharpsburg, Kentucky, a few weeks when Sunday fell on July 4th. In my sermon that Sunday, I allowed that I was very thankful that the Colonists had won the revolutionary war, but that had I been living then, I would have undoubtedly sided with the Tories and went on to explain why. After service I was met at the back door by several angry ladies who promptly informed me that they were all members of the D.A.R. (Daughters of the American Revolution)! Gratefully, I survived that uncertain start and went on to pastor that congregation for five years. For the past several Sundays, we have witnessed our Lord’s baptism at the Jordan river in southern Judea and then followed him as he traveled to Galilee in northern Israel. Today he reaches his destination, his home town of Nazareth. Coming home he is asked to speak at his local synagogue. Today’s gospel is laid out in two sections. In the first, he stands as he reads from the lectionary—a passage from Isaiah. The hometown congregation glowed with pride at this hometown boy made good. Then he sat down and began to preach. By the time he was finished, they were so angry that they dragged him out of the synagogue and tried to throw him over a cliff! As we will see in today’s homily, his sermon embodied his agenda of his ministry and the congregation’s response encapsulates how his ministry would be received.

***Affirmation of Faith** #888

***Please stand as you are able**

Liturgy of the Table:		
+Holy Communion		
<i>+Everyone is welcome to take Holy Communion who has accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. Please receive the bread from the server in your cupped hands, and either dip it into the chalice before eating or take an individual cup from the third server.</i>		
*Closing Hymn	“O Jesus, I Have Promised”	#396
*Blessing		Pastor Bill Faupel
*Benedictory Response	“God Will Take Care of You” V2	#130
Postlude		Glenda Teachey

Next Sunday’s Scriptures:

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91; Romans 10:5-13; Luke 4:1-13

To our Guests, thank you for visiting us today. Please fill out a visitor’s card located in the pews and place it in the offering plate, or see an usher or the Pastor. Join us in the Overflow Room for a “Meet & Greet” after the service...

We welcome you to worship with us again!



***“Truly I tell you,” he continued,
“no prophet is accepted in his hometown.”***
(Luke 4:24)

***Please stand as you are able**