

ORDER OF SERVICE  
14 February 2021 – Tannum Sands  
Transfiguration

GATHER			
Call to Worship			Rev Allan Smith
Hymn/Song	Fairest Lord Jesus	TIS 203	
Prayer of Invocation			Rev Allan Smith
Praise Time (10 min)	Here I am to worship	SCE[3] 1406/CCLI 3266032	
	The heavens shall declare	SCE 480/P&W 537/ TIS 746/CCLI 904033	
Welcome & Visitors candles, Celebrations, Green Cards			Rev Allan Smith
Prayer: Adoration, Confession, Declaration of Forgiveness			Rev Allan Smith
Passing the Peace			
Children's' Talk			
Song	Salvation belongs to our God	P&W 443/SCE 620/CCLI 24092	
HEAR THE WORD			
Bible Readings	2 Kings 2:1-12; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:1-9		;
Message	<i>Worshipping upon the mountain</i>		Rev Allan Smith
Song (Optional)	Our God reigns [How lovely on the mountains]	P&W /SIS 201/ SCE 189/CCLI 8458	
RESPOND			
Affirmation of Faith	Nicene Creed		
Offering Dedication			
Notices & Concerns of the Church	Rev Allan Smith		
Prayers of the People	Rev Allan Smith		
Communion Song	This is my body	SIS 284/CCLI 19241	
Communion	Rev Allan Smith & Elders		
Song (after Communion)	Christ be our light	ATO 313/AOV[2] 3	
BLESS			
Mission/Benediction	Rev Allan Smith		
Benediction/Going Out Song			

Preaching	Rev Allan Smith
Worship Introduction	Rev Allan Smith
Notices of the Church & Prayers of the People	Rev Allan Smith
Bible Readings	
Song Selector	Rev Allan Smith
Piano	
Backup Singers	
Guitar	
Sound System	
Data Operator	
Power Point Producer	
Offering Collectors	
Communion Bread	

**Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.**

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 50:1-6*)

God, the LORD God, has spoken;

**his summons covers all the earth,  
like the sun from its rising to its setting.**

God has shone forth from Zion;

**perfect in its beauty**

The LORD God comes and will not be silent;

**consuming fire goes before the LORD  
who is surrounded by raging storm.**

The LORD God calls upon the heavens above

**and the earth, so that he might judge his people.**

Gather to be my faithful ones;

**the ones that make covenant with me by sacrifice.**

The heavens declare God's righteousness

**and proclaim, "God, the LORD God, is judge."**

Let us worship God.

SONG [Fairest Lord Jesus](#)

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of love and of justice, God of holiness and of mercy, God of thunder and of the still small voice within, we pray you to shine forth upon us today. Bestow upon us a double portion of your Spirit and help us to hear your word and perceive the marvels you are performing. Grant that we may see beyond the turmoil of our world and behold your anointed one in all his glory. Touch us and lift us into the light and peace of your presence. Strengthen us for your service as we worship you. We ask it in Christ's name. Amen.

SONGS [Here I am to worship](#)

[The heavens shall declare](#)

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Glory of all creation: as the sun nudges us out of bed each morning,  
so you gently lift the veil of doubts and fears from our hearts  
that we might see your joy.

At the setting of the sun, you do not leave us alone,  
but you sit with us through the night,  
sharing stories of hope. And we do not lose heart.

Joyous Face of God: on the peaks of promise, we discover your grace,  
sparkling with gentle delight as it comes to rest within our weary lives.  
In the valleys of despair, as we trudge long, our burdens dragging behind us,  
we turn to discover you putting them on your shoulders,  
the gentleness of your compassion lighting the way to the kingdom.  
And we do not lose heart.

Listening Spirit: in the hard times, which life may offer,  
you are there with us, hearing not only our struggles,

but the hopes singing silently in our souls.  
In the barren seasons through which we may walk,  
we find you ahead of us, planting the seeds of joy,  
which will once more blossom in the springtime of God's love.  
And we do not lose heart.

God in Community, Holy in One,  
we lift our hearts, our hopes, our voices  
as we pray. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we have betrayed the Good News by turning inward,  
serving ourselves first. We have not taken up our cross and we have been too quick  
to build up worldly possessions for ourselves.

Forgive us for not helping to reveal Christ to the world. Forgive us for not living  
into Christ's example and serving those in need before serving ourselves.

Draw us back to the way of Christ, so that we might know the reign of God is  
drawing near. Amen.

#### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Though we were blinded by sin,  
God's saving light has been beamed into our hearts  
that we might see the radiant mercy of God  
in the face of Jesus Christ.

Brothers and sisters in Christ,  
Be at peace.  
Your sins are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

SONG     [Salvation belongs to our God](#)

#### BIBLE READINGS

[2 Kings 2:1-12](#)

[2 Corinthians 4:3-6](#)

[Mark 9:2-9](#)

SERMON   [Worshipping upon the mountain](#)     [sermon.mp3](#)

#### OFFERING AND PRAYER

May our lives and our gifts be used to reveal your glory, Lord God, in ways that  
proclaim Jesus as your chosen and beloved Son, in ways that show that we have  
listened to him. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Living God, you have called men and women around the world to bear witness to your loving grace. Empower us all with a double share of your spirit so we may survive the challenges of doubt, mistrust and disbelief. Like Elijah and Elisha, help us to press on through fire and whirlwind until we are reunited with you in eternity. (2 Kings 2:1-12)

Mighty God, creator of the Earth and all its people, do not keep silent when floods ravage the land, when governments destroy the lives of their citizens, or when prejudice and fear separate your beloved children. Gather and embrace the hurting, lost and lonely. Grant leaders the wisdom to rule according to your will. Let us see your face in each person you have created. (Psalm 50:1-6)

God of glory, we pray that your will may be revealed to us. Help us to see the light of the gospel in the glory of Christ, the image of God. Do not let this world's temptations distract us away from your plan for our lives. Be present with us each day. (2 Cor. 4:3-6)

God of shadows and dazzling brightness, be with us in the valleys of despair, grief and doubt. Look with compassion on those who journey through sickness in body, mind or spirit.

This morning, we pray especially for...

To all of these, and to those who care for them, we ask you to grant wholeness, strength and courage. Lift them to the mountaintop of your love. (Mark 9:2-9)

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG [This is my body](#)

SONG [Christ be our light](#)

## WORD OF MISSION AND BLESSING

Go now, and speak of what you have seen of God's glory.  
Do not cling to the holy moments  
when heaven overshadows you,  
but as the Lord lives, listen to Christ and follow him  
from the places of revelation  
to the places of mission.

And may the grace...

HOLY COMMUNION: Epiphany 6 Year B—Transfiguration

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God,  
for your transfiguring light has overcome us  
and is restoring within us the image of your glory.

When you created the universe you said,  
“Let light shine out of darkness,”  
and the heavens lit up in testimony to your justice.  
Through the law and prophets your light has shone forth,  
and your Word has never fallen silent.

On a high mountain you pulled back the veil of heaven  
and, as Moses and Elijah passed on their mantles  
to the one in whom your saving Word is fulfilled,  
you allowed the incomparable glory of your Son  
to be seen by his terrified disciples.

He was killed by those who would not listen to you,  
but after you raised him from the dead,  
you sent the winds of heaven upon us  
with an extravagant outpouring of your Holy Spirit.

And so we praise you...

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WORD OF MISSION AND BENEDICTION

And may the grace...