

# Grey Street United Church

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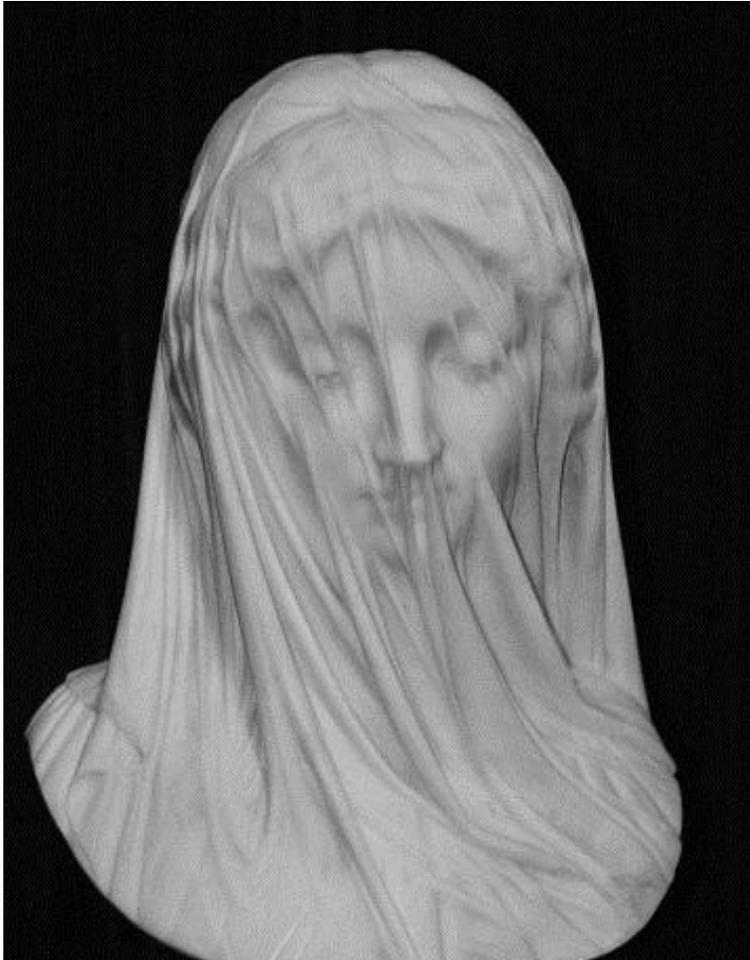
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**Transfiguration Sunday**

*\* Stand as you are able. Words in **bold** spoken by all.*

\*GATHERING SONG: – “Good Mornin’ Sunday”

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH:

CHRIST CANDLE LIGHTING:

As we gather in worship, we light this Christ candle.

**Jesus Christ with us.**

OPENING PRAYER and LORD’S PRAYER (*spoken*):

ANTHEM: – “Transfigure Us, O Lord”

SCRIPTURE READING:

Exodus 34:29-35 – *Moses is radiant as he comes down the mountain*

Luke 9:28-36, 37-43 – *Jesus transfigured on the mountain*

2 Corinthians 3:12—4:1 – *We are bold in our hope*

May God bless our understanding of these readings of Holy Scripture...

**AMEN**

MESSAGE: - *Seek God’s Face*

\*HYMN: - MV 142 “Oh A Song Must Rise”

OFFERING:

*During this time, feel free to light a candle in prayer.*

\*OFFERING HYMN: VU 541 “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

\*OFFERATORY PRAYER:

PRAYER INTROIT: MV 222 "May The Peace Of God Be Your Peace"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

\*HYMN: VU 510 "We Have This Ministry"

GRACE:

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Exodus 34:29-35 (*New International Version*)

### *The Radiant Face of Moses*

<sup>29</sup>When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

<sup>33</sup>When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. <sup>34</sup>But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

Luke 9:28-43 (*New International Version*)

### *The Transfiguration*

<sup>28</sup>About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. <sup>30</sup>Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. <sup>31</sup>They spoke about

his departure,[a] which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. <sup>33</sup>As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

<sup>34</sup>While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

### *Jesus Heals a Demon-Possessed Boy*

<sup>37</sup>The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. <sup>38</sup>A man in the crowd called out, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. <sup>39</sup>A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. <sup>40</sup>I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not."

<sup>41</sup>"You unbelieving and perverse generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here."

<sup>42</sup>Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father. <sup>43</sup>And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.

2 Corinthians 3:12—4:1 (*New International Version*)

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. <sup>13</sup>We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup>Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. <sup>16</sup>But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate[a] the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

<sup>4</sup> <sup>1</sup>Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart.