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\* Ἐν ἀρχῇ ἦν ὁ λόγος \* In the beginning was the Word \* Au commencement était la Parole \* An toiseach bha am Focal \* Al principio, c'era colui che è "la Parola" \*

**Transfiguration \* indicates standing if able 11 February 2024**

### CELEBRATING TRANS -DAY

**Port Wallis United Church  
is an Affirming Congregation  
that openly welcomes you as a child of God,  
made in God's Image, and loved by God.**

**WELCOME / BIENVENUE / FAILTE / PJILA'DIK**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND**

**CALL TO WORSHIP \***

God is calling us to transfigure the world!

**God calls us to imagine what can be!**

God is calling us to transfigure ourselves!

**God calls us to imagine what can be!**

God blesses those who are transfigured,  
who are in the process of transfiguration,  
or who dream of being transfigured!

**God calls us to imagine what can be!**

Amen! Let us worship God!

**HYMN # 138 (MV) MY LOVE COLOURS OUTSIDE LINES \***

**PRAYER OF APPROACH and THE LORD'S PRAYER \***

God of metamorphosis, bringing creation into the fullness You  
have planned for it and dreamed that it may be, transfiguring all  
until we are at peace. Hold us in your re-creative hands,  
re-molding us and reviving us to be the person You created.  
All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who taught us to pray before You saying,

**Our Father..... Notre Père..... Ar n-Athair.... 주님의 기도**

**Onze Vader... Vater unser... Padre nuestro... Baba Yetu...**

**主の祈り 主禱文 اَبَانَا Isä meidän Πάτερ ἡμῶν**

**HYMN # 171 (MV) CHRIST HAS NO BODY NOW BUT  
YOURS \***

**LEARNING TIME and PRAYER**

In peace, dear God, I come to You through Jesus Christ who makes me new  
And while I run or play or rest, be with those whom I love best,  
Guide me in your Holy Way, as You walk with me each day, Amen.

**HYMN # 365 (VU) JESUS LOVES ME \***

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

**First Testament Lesson: 2 Kings 2: 1 - 12**

**Responsive Psalm 50**

*The Choir will sing the response through first and then we will join them for  
the second sing through and every time thereafter.*

***Righteous and Holy is the LORD!***

***God sees all!***

The Mighty One, the LORD, the Ruler of the Universe  
**speaks and summons all the inhabitants of the earth!**

From the rising of the sun to the setting of the same.

From Zion, the City of God, perfect in beauty,  
**the Light of God's Presence shines forth.**

Our God comes and will not be silent;  
**a purifying flame from God devours evil,  
and around God a tempest rages.**

***Righteous and Holy is the LORD!***

***God sees all!***

The LORD summons the hosts of heaven above,  
and all the nations of the earth, saying,

**I will judge the people.**

“Gather to me a consecrated people,  
**who made a covenant with me.”**

And the Heavenly Host proclaim God's righteousness,

**“The LORD is a God of justice!”**

“Listen, my people, and I will speak;  
**Listen to my judgements, O Israel!**

***Righteous and Holy is the LORD!***

***God sees all!***

I am God, your God.

**I bring no charges against you concerning your sacrifices or concerning your burnt offerings, which are ever before me.**

**I have no need of a bull from your stall or of goats from your pens, for every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.**

**I know every bird in the mountains, and the insects in the fields are mine. If I were hungry I would not tell you, for the world is mine, and all that is in it.**

***Righteous and Holy is the LORD!  
God sees all!***

Does God eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats?

**“Sacrifice thank offerings to God instead.”**

Fulfill your vows to the Most High,  
**and call on God in the day of trouble;**

God promises us

**“I will deliver you, and you will honour me.”**

***Righteous and Holy is the LORD!  
God sees all!***

But to the wicked person, God says:

**“What right have you to recite my laws or take my covenant on your lips?  
You hate my instruction and cast my words behind you.  
When you see a thief, you join with him;  
you throw in your lot with adulterers.  
You use your mouth for evil  
and harness your tongue to deceit.  
You sit and testify against your brother  
and slander your own mother’s son.**

***Righteous and Holy is the LORD!  
God sees all!***

When you did these things and I kept silent,

you thought I was exactly like you.

**But I now arraign you & set my accusations before you.**  
“Consider this, you who forget God,  
with no one to rescue you:

**Those who sacrifice thank offerings honor me,  
and to the blameless I will show my salvation.”**

***Righteous and Holy is the LORD!  
God sees all!***

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end, Amen.**

**Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4: 3 – 6**

**ANTHEM**

**Gospel: Mark 9: 2 – 9 \***

**REFLECTION ON THE LESSONS**

**HYMN # 85 (MV) TAKE, O TAKE ME AS I AM \***

*Our offerings will be received as we sing this hymn*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**HYMN # 104 (VU) WE HAVE COME \***

**COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION \***

**CHORAL PARTING PRAYER (MV # 214) \***

May God’s sheltering wings, Her gathering wings protect you,  
May God’s nurturing arms, His cradling arms, sustain you,  
And hold you in Their love! And hold you in God’s love.

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**MUSICAL POSTLUDE**

***The bulletins are dedicated to the Glory of God and in honour of  
Marilyn Archibald as she celebrates her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday! Her  
examples of faithfulness, humour, positivity, and love are  
ongoing. With love and gratitude from her family.***