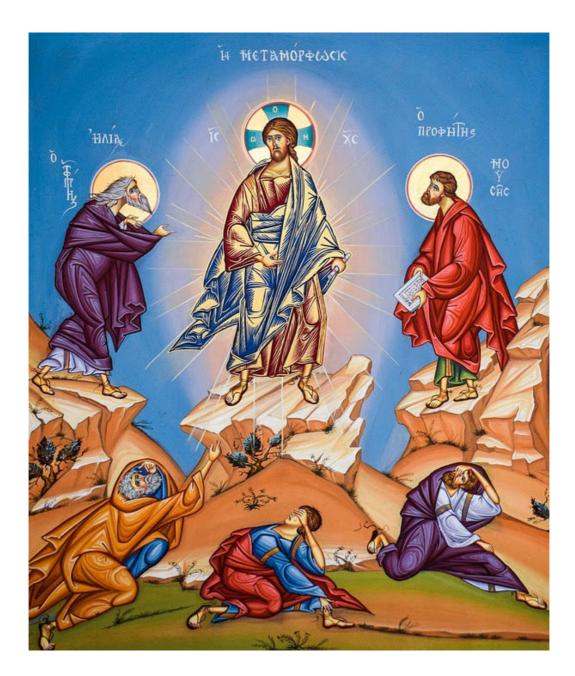
ransfiguration



St Aidan's Uniting Church 11th February 2024

Prayers

Transformation is not easy, loving God, and we make excuses or delay changes simply because it is too hard or too challenging or brings up too many "what ifs" for us to cope.

When we hear your call and turn away,

Christ, our friend, forgive us.

When we see your glory and keep it as something external, **Christ, our friend, forgive us.**

When we resist changes because it is not what we know and so stop others from experiencing your love, **Christ, our friend**, forgive us

forgive us.

Help us to see and experience not only with our eyes but with our hearts as well the transformation that you offer in our lives and all lives. **Amen.**

Words of Assurance

God loves the whole world and calls the whole world into relationship. You are also loved and called – and when we repent we are drawn closer into that relationship. Know that you are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Intercession

Transforming God, we pray for the many needs of people who look for transformation in their lives and in lives around them.

We pray for those who need the transformation in their lives or in their society so they can meet their physical needs or the physical needs of their families.

We pray for those who needs society to transform so they can be accepted with their difference rather than being excluded

because of their race, gender, disability, or sexuality.

We pray for those who need transformation in their emotional or mental health.

We pray for those who look for spiritual transformation and need to know they are loved and accepted just as they are.

We also pray for those who support others whether they are agents of transformation or friends to those in need. We pray for a world that is transformed until your love is shared everywhere and all people may know your hope. Amen.

Benediction & Blessing

Go out to share God's peace and love knowing God will transform you and responding to the call to share that love with others.