



Sunday, February 27, 2022

Transfiguration of Our Lord

**Prelude:** "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" arr. by Richard Wienhorst

### **Welcome to Worship and Announcements**

#### **\*Confession and Forgiveness:**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P To you, O God,

C **all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

P By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of + Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

C **Amen.**



1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;  
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold  
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,  
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;  
5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;



your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.  
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.  
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.  
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858–1933, alt.

Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, *The Church Psalter and Hymn Book*, 1854

**\*Greeting:**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

**\*Prayer of the Day:**

**All Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Kids Word:** Pastor Jerry O'Neal

## Our first reading is from Exodus 34:29-35

*Moses' face shone with the reflected glory of God after he received the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.*

<sup>29</sup>Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

L      Word of God. Word of life.                      C      **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 99:** (Read responsively between Lector and Congregation.)

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king; let the people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD, great in Zion,  
is high above all peoples.**

<sup>3</sup>Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;  
God is the Holy One.

<sup>4</sup>**O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

<sup>5</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool;  
God is the Holy One.

<sup>6</sup>**Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon  
your name, O LORD, they called upon you, and you answered them,**

<sup>7</sup>you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;  
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

<sup>8</sup>**O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;  
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

<sup>9</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill;  
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

## Our second reading is from 2 Corinthians 3:12--4:2

*In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.*

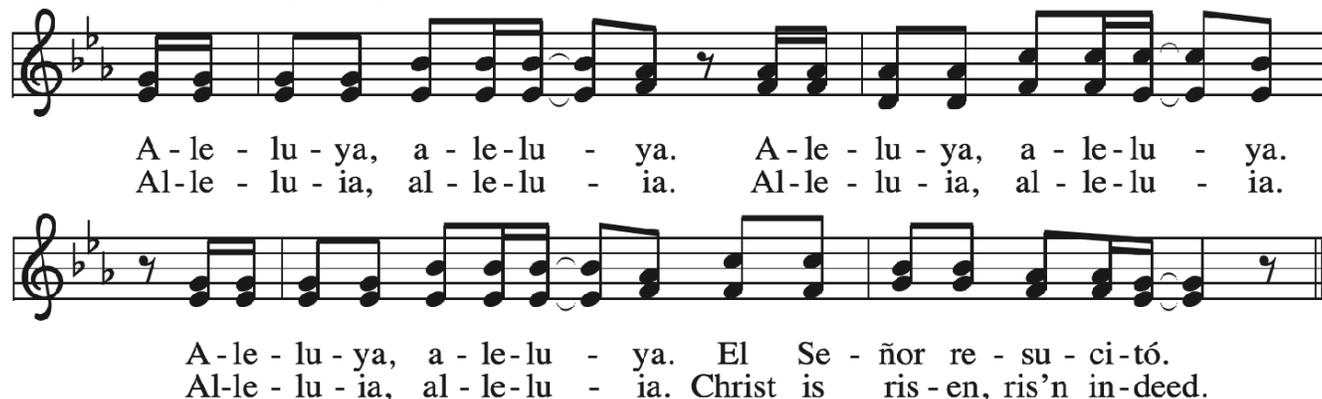
<sup>12</sup>Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup>but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

\*Please stand as you are able.

<sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

L Word of God. Word of life. C Thanks be to God.

**\*Gospel Acclamation:** (setting 11 in ACS)



A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris'n in - deed.

**\*Gospel Reading: Luke 9:28-43a**

*The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.*

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.  
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

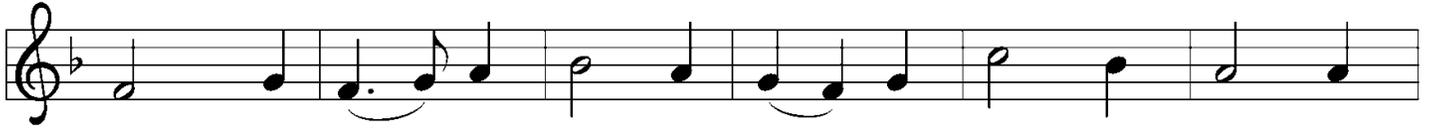
<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

<sup>37</sup>On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup>Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. <sup>39</sup>Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. <sup>40</sup>I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." <sup>41</sup>Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." <sup>42</sup>While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. <sup>43a</sup>And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon:** Pr. Jerry O'Neal

\*Please stand as you are able.



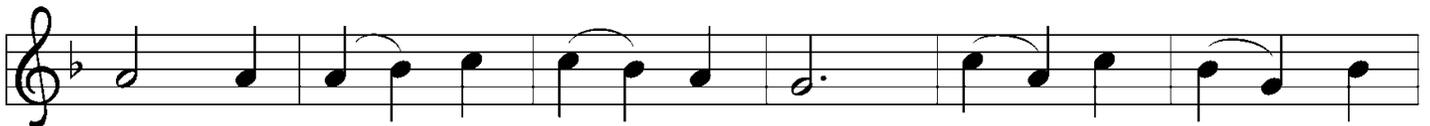
1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

**\*Apostles' Creed:**

**P&C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*Prayers:** (Congregation's response in bold type.)

L For our prayers today, I will conclude each petition with "God of grace," and your response is, "**hear our prayer .**"

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

*A brief silence.*

Transform us by your greatness, O God. Send us down the mountain to share joy with all people. Make us agents of change, confident that your hope will vanquish despair and your goodness will conquer evil. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

The mountains and valleys sing your praise. Dazzle us with your presence in every landscape: bluffs built by ancient glaciers, canyons carved by flowing rivers, flat horizons with uninterrupted views, and sands shaped by ocean tides. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

You love justice and establish equity. Strengthen leaders of local governments, community nonprofits, and grassroots campaigns. Bless them with gifts of integrity, creativity, and sound conscience. Build up safe and joyful communities where all people may thrive. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Heal those who are in distress especially to those we now name either aloud or in the silence of our hearts (pause). Give patience to those waiting for answers. Grant hope to those who have reached the limits of treatment. Give compassionate hearts to those who accompany loved ones through illness and uncertainty. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Today we shout alleluia from the mountaintop; this week we enter the wilderness of Lent. Bless all who prepare and lead us in worship during this change of season: pastors, deacons, musicians, and all who contribute to our worship life. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

You have called us by name and we are yours. Comfort all who are grieving the loss of Pr. Creighton Leptak at St. Paul Lutheran Church Crossroads. Surround his family, friends and all who knew him with your love and compassion. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

\*Please stand as you are able.

Blessed are they who listened to Christ's voice in this life and now rest with him. Transform us from glory into glory, and give us your peace, that we do not lose heart. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

**\*Sharing the Peace:**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

**Offering:**

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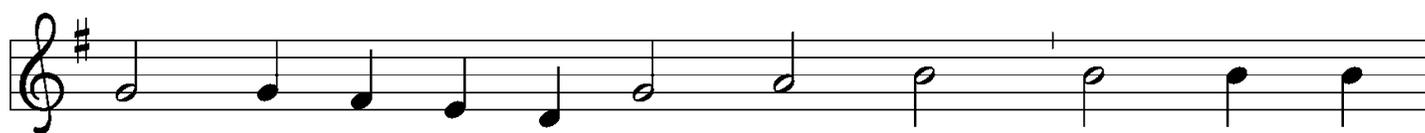
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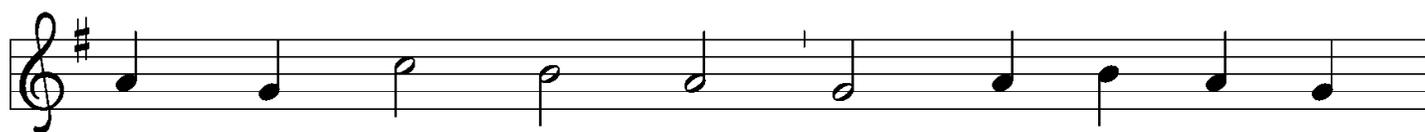
**Offering Anthem:** "Potsdam"/"How Good Lord, to Be Here" arr. by Hugo Gehrke

HTLC Choir

**\*Offertory Hymn:** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" ELW 884



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all



crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye



heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*Offering Prayer:**

L Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

**\*Words of Institution** (Spanish, then English)

P La noche en que fue entregado,  
nuestro Señor Jesús tomó pan y dio gracias;  
lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos, diciendo:  
Tomen y coman; esto es mi cuerpo, dado por ustedes.  
Hagan esto en memoria mía.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

De igual manera, después de haber cenado, tomó la copa,  
dio gracias y la dio a beber a todos, diciendo:  
Esta copa es el nuevo pacto en mi sangre,  
derramada por ustedes y por todo el mundo para el perdón del pecado.  
Hagan esto en memoria mía.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**\*Lord's Prayer:**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. (Lord's Prayer)

All **Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

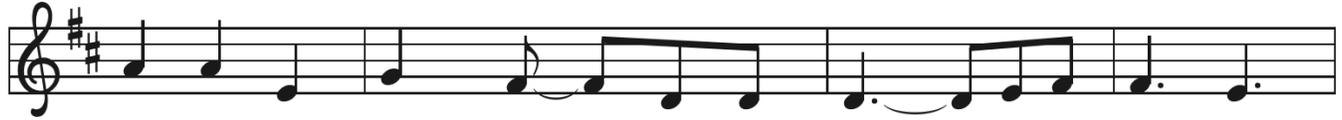
**\*Invitation to Communion:**

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Communion Hymn: "Lamb of God" (setting 11 ACS)



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -  
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.  
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -  
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



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sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



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O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no -  
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -



so - tros, ten pie - dad de no - so - stros.  
on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.



Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.  
Grant us your peace. A - men.

**Distribution:**

*This is the Table of Grace for all who belong to Christ and seek his gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. We extend to you all that we have in the Lord Jesus and invite you to his Holy Supper. Those communing with us who haven't been baptized and desire God's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation in Holy Baptism are invited to talk to the Pastor. We invite you to come forward, receive the bread in your hand, and take a cup from the tray and take them back to your seat. After all have been served, we will consume Communion together. White grape juice is offered as an alternative to wine and are in the cups in the center of the tray.*

**Communion Hymn: "Alleluia, Song of Gladness" ELW 318**

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- 1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that can - not die;
- 2 Al - le - lu - ia you are sound - ing, true Je - ru - sa - lem and free;
- 3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while here be - low;
- 4 In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless - ed Trin - i - ty,



al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choirs on high;  
 al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju - bi - lee;  
 al - le - lu - ia our trans - ges - sions make us for a while for - go;  
 at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith - ful saints on high;



in the house of God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
 here by Bab - y - lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - iles still are we.  
 for the sol - emn time is com - ing when our tears for sin shall flow.  
 there to you for - ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

**\*Post Communion Blessing:**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
All **Amen.**

**\*Post Communion Prayer:**

L We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

**\*Sending Call and Response:**

L God's work!

C **Our hands!**

L God's love!

C **Our hearts!**

L God's story!

C **Our voices!**

**\*Benediction:**

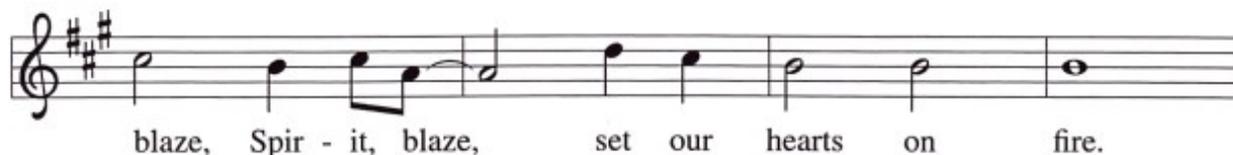
P "Barocha" - Michael Card

C **Amen.**

*Refrain*



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;



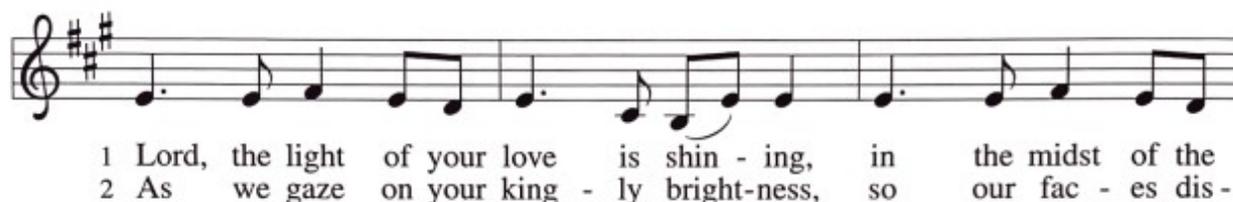
blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.



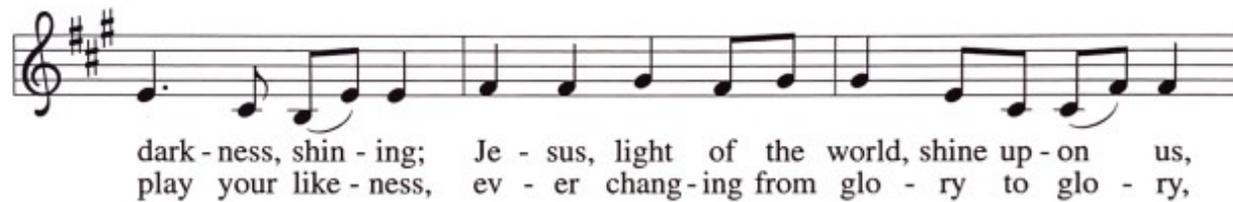
Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;



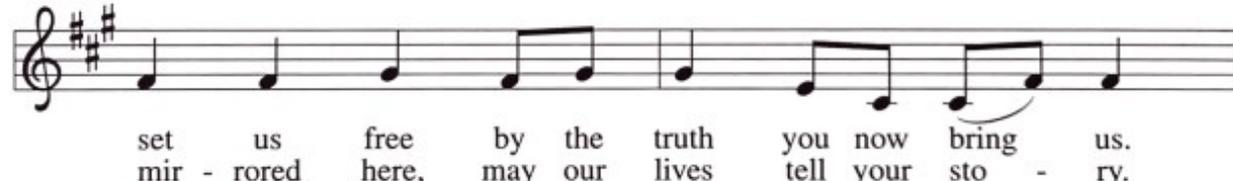
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!



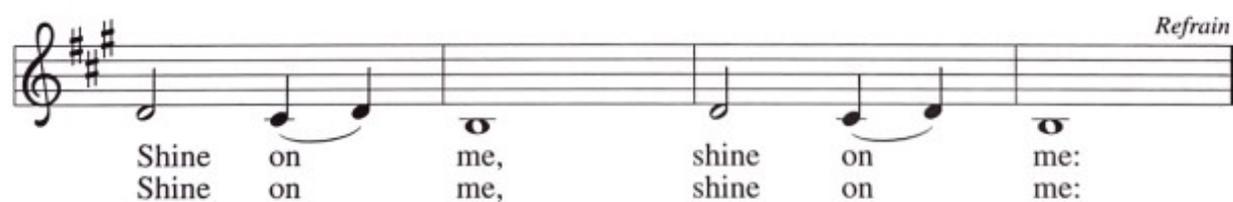
1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the  
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



*Refrain*

Shine on on me, shine on on me:  
Shine on on me, shine on on me:

**\*Dismissal:**

L Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

**Announcements for February 27, 2022**

**Birthdays and Anniversaries for February 27-March 5, 2022:**

Birthdays:

March 4 - Dorothy Ashby

March 5 - Autumn Smith

Anniversaries:

March 1 - Paul and Laura Adamson

March 5 - Mike and Sue Metzcar

**This week's Prayers:** Please keep the following people in your prayers:

The congregation of St. Paul Lutheran Church Crossroads and Pr. Creighton's family and friends

Arlene Murphy, Mike Metzcar's sister

Jessica Cummings

Dan Haynes

For all who are sick and suffering

Roberta Debolt

Sue Metzcar

John Paul Metzcar

Liam, 2 year-old great grandson of Nancy Brown

Stephanie and Rich Thompson's daughter's and families (Tina & Jeff and Renee & Richard)

Tim Stanley, friend of Toni Rowray

Dennis Dail, Jan Segedy's brother

Carl Finchum Jr., Virginia Finchum's son

Mary Broughton

For all who are suffering with Covid and especially the doctors, nurses and medical technicians who are working hard to help those patients heal. The frontline workers need to be remembered. Their work is far from over and they have been at it since the beginning of the pandemic.

**Flowers at the Altar:**

The bouquet of flowers is given to the glory of God.

*(If you would like to purchase a \$10 flower arrangement to decorate the altar, please fill out the flower chart on the closet door in the lobby/narthex and make sure to fill out a slip and put the slip in the envelope with your check or money and put it in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Thank you.)*

**Bible Study, Monday Mornings at 10:00am:**

You are invited to join us on Monday mornings at 10:00am in-person or on Zoom (the link is below). Each week we study the lectionary for the upcoming Sunday service. We look forward to seeing you there!

Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/6616571423?pwd=b3NqMldPTXkxS0RuOXZ3RVNabC9rUT09>

\*Please stand as you are able.

**Serving in Worship Today:**

**Lay Worship, Lector and Communion Assistant:** Ann Santoni

**Acolyte:** Micah Smith

**Usher:** John Huff and Gary Santoni

**Greeter:**

**Altar Guild:** Diane Scholer

**Sign Up to Help with Sunday School:**

Please consider helping with Sunday School. There is a sign up poster in the lobby. We need 5 teachers and 15 aides. Thank you!

**Step Aerobics is back!**

Saturdays, beginning on March 5, at 9:30 in Room 105 at Church, get some free exercise with Amy Cridder doing step aerobics for 50 minutes. Boosted participants only.

**Offering Cards and Envelopes:**

There is a supply of offering cards and envelopes on the devotions shelf outside the sanctuary and on the table outside the church office that you can pick up at your convenience. Please put your giving number on your check or offering card to help with the counting process. If you need to know your giving number, please contact Jenni in the church office. If you would like us to mail you a supply of cards and envelopes, please contact the church office.

**2021 Thrivent Choice Dollars Designations Due by March 2022:**

Thrivent members have until March 2022 to designate their Thrivent Choice Dollars. You need to log in at Thrivent.com and go to Membership Overview. Then you can designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to the non-profit of your choice. If you have any questions, please contact Jan Segedy, Janis.segedy@thrivent.com.

**Sleeping Mats For The Homeless:**

Are you working on a sleeping mat? Are you saving single use grocery bags? I hope so. The group going to Back Bay Mission will deliver the mats on April 24 in Biloxi, Mississippi. Please complete your mat and bring it to Holy Trinity by Sunday, April 24th. You can drop off your flattened grocery bags until March 22. Text or email me if you need help finishing a mat. There is still time to make one too. Many thanks to all of you who have contributed to this "behind the scenes" outreach ministry. Blessings, Becki Bergs beckerbergs@gmail.com 765-808-4642

**Can You Be A Driver For Our New Neighbors?**

Have you been wanting to help the 40+ Afghan refugees who have settled in Muncie? You could sign up to be an occasional driver. Because they don't have cars or drivers licenses yet, they need rides to doctors appointments, English classes, sewing circle, and soccer games. Contact the Volunteer Chair of MARRC (Muncie Afghan Refugee Resettlement Committee) Heather Hunt at [hunt@bsu.edu](mailto:hunt@bsu.edu) to get your name on the list. You'll get the address and time via email. Thanks for helping our new neighbors.

**Lenten Mid-Week Study:**

Beginning March 9 at 7pm, we will be gathering with our brothers and sisters from nearby congregations for our annual midweek Lenten study. This year we will be reading the book "Being Christian: Baptism, Bible, Eucharist, Prayer" by Rowan Williams. Williams is a former Archbishop of Canterbury and has written several excellent books on the Christian life. You can get a copy of Williams' book through Amazon or other online retailers. We will send you the Zoom link to the study once it becomes available. I hope you will join us! Shalom, Pastor Jerry