

# Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 27, 2022

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

God of love, your Christ stands radiant among us,  
and in his light we see anew.  
He is the pillar of fire for our Way, the light for our path.  
We open our hearts to your Spirit,  
that we might hear your living Word in our worship and in our lives  
and be transformed  
from one degree of glory to another by your grace. Amen.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Come, Christians, Join to Sing David Marvel, Organist

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Vince Leseney

God of glory, you create us with light.  
You fashion us out of glory, and it shines in our faces.

**We worship you in awe, and we seek your presence among us.** Christ,  
you are the glory of God, the light of the world. You are the fulfillment of the law  
and prophets.

**We turn to you to teach us, to heal us, to re-make us, so that we will  
again shine with the glory of your image.**

Holy Spirit, you are the light of grace within us. Each of us is a pillar of fire, shining  
with the power of your love.

**Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, and transform us from one degree of glory to  
another, by your grace. Alleluia!**

\*SONG OF PRAISE Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise Hymnal, No. 12

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Holy Lord,  
we confess that we do not always seek the light of your way.  
We are satisfied to dwell in darkness,  
holding fast to the comforts of material fortune.  
We ignore the needs of others,  
and selfishly look the other way  
when our neighbors are oppressed.  
In your merciful way,  
help us to establish your equity in the world.  
Move us to protect creation and ensure equality,  
that all of our siblings may have a share of your abundance  
and the safety of your peace,  
and that the light of your face may shine upon all creation.**  
*(Time of silent reflection)*

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory Be to the Father

Hymnal, No. 581

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Solange Bobga Akinmolayan

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 34:29-35

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The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalms 99

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth quake!

**The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.**

Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!

**Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!

**Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.**

He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.

**O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:28-36

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The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Transfigured

Melissa Gill

\*SONG OF FAITH

Here, O Our Lord, We See You

Hymnal, No. 517

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**In Jesus of Nazareth,  
true humanity was realized once for all.  
Jesus, a Palestinian Jew,  
lived among his own people  
and shared their needs, temptations,  
joys, and sorrows.  
He expressed the love of God  
in word and deed  
and became a brother  
to all kinds of sinful men and women.  
But his complete obedience  
led him into conflict with his people.  
His life and teaching judged their goodness,**

**religious aspirations, and national hopes.  
Many rejected him and demanded his death.  
In giving himself freely for them,  
he took upon himself the judgment  
under which everyone stands convicted.  
God raised him from the dead,  
vindicating him as Messiah and Lord.  
The victim of sin became victor,  
and won the victory over sin and death for all.**  
*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.08*

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response...O God of grace, **ble<sup>s</sup>s us with peace.**  
The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Dona Nobis Pacem

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

\*DEDICATION PRAYER

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining

Hymnal, No. 192

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

\*POSTLUDE

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

**Lectionary Readings** for March 6: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

We are truly grateful for you joining us today, in person or via live streaming. This is new for us all, and we thank you for your patience with this new way. We will be adapting and changing as we work together to worship with devotion and safety protocols. If you have comments or suggestions, please let the pastor or a worship committee member know.

The Food & Shelter item of the month for **February is cereal**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table

**Hearing-assistance** devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.

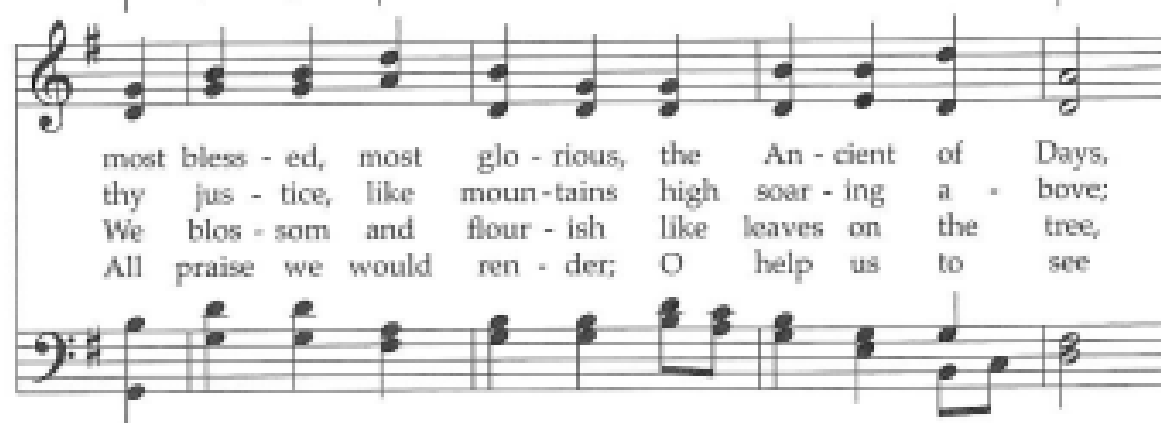
# Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12



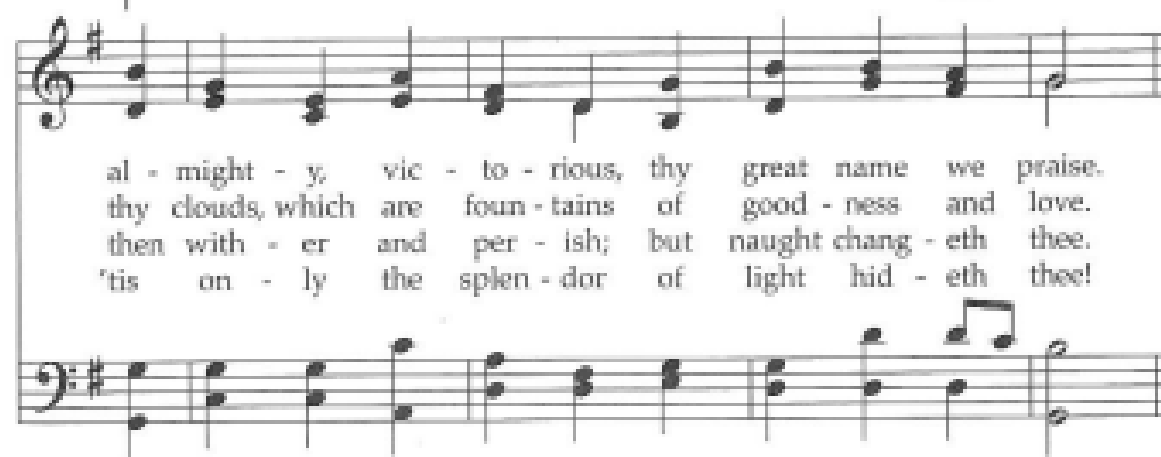
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:  
In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.  
Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

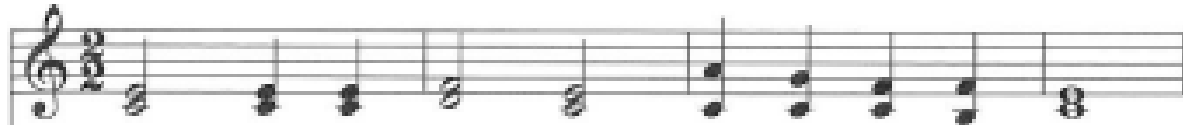


most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;  
We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

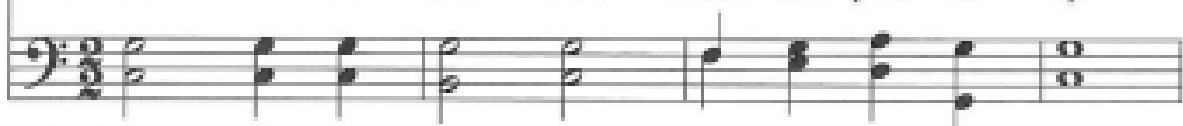


al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

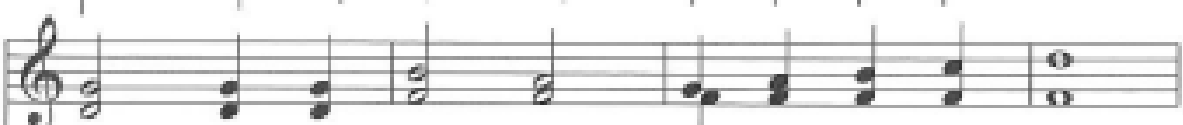
# Here, O Our Lord, We See You 517



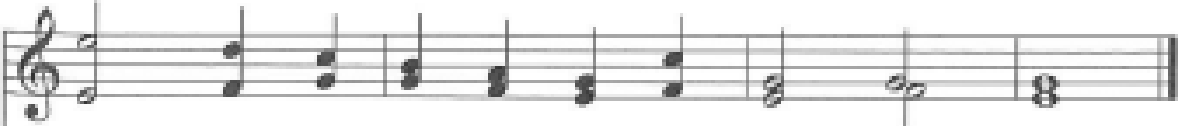
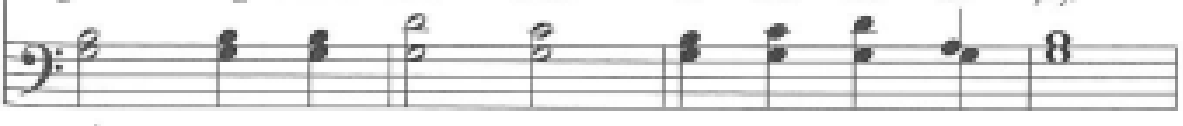
1 Here, O our Lord, we see you face to face.  
 2 Here would we feed up - on the bread of God,  
 3 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;  
 4 Too soon we rise; the sym - bols dis - ap - pear.  
 5 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,



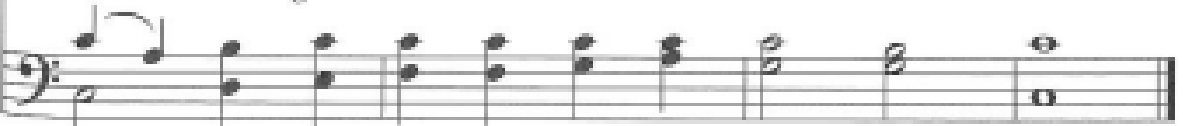
Here would we touch and han - dle things un - seen,  
 here drink with you the roy - al cup of heaven;  
 this is the heaven - ly ta - ble for us spread.  
 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;  
 yet, pass - ing, points to that glad feast a - bove,



here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,  
 here would we lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
 Here let us feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long  
 the bread and wine re - move, but you are here,  
 giv - ing sweet fore - taste of the fes - tal joy,



and all our wea - ri - ness up - on you lean.  
 and taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.  
 the fel - low - ship of liv - ing wine and bread.  
 near - er than ev - er, still our shield and sun.  
 the Lamb's great brid - al feast of bliss and love.



# 192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

## Shine, Jesus, Shine

Capo 2: (G) (C) (G) (D) (G)  
A D A E A

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the  
2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence, from the  
3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our

(C) (G) (D) (C) (D)  
D A E D E

midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the  
shad - ows in - to your ra - diancy; by the blood I may  
fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang - ing from

(Bm7) (Em7) (C) (D) (Bm7)  
C#m7 F#m7 D E C#m7

World, shine up - on us; set us free by the truth you now  
en - ter your bright-ness. Search me; try me; con - sume all my  
glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your

(Em7) (F) (Dsus)(D) (F) (Dsus)(D)  
F#m7 G Esus E G Esus E

bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.  
dark - ness. Shine on me; shine on me.  
sto - ry. Shine on me; shine on me.

Refrain (G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)  
A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

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

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (Am/G) (F) (D7sus) (D7)  
A E F#m D A Bm Bm/A G E7sus E7

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

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)  
A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

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

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)  
A E F#m D A Bm E7 A

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.