

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 19, 2023

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*God of majesty and might,
you have blessed us with revelations of your glory.
Give us the gift of faith,
that we may hear your voice for ourselves
and see Jesus Christ revealed to us
that we may stand on our own without fear. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Psalm

Gordon Young

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The day has dawned,
the morning star rises in our hearts.

We witness the glory of Christ!

God speaks to us in cloud and flame,
in mysterious words and dazzling visions.

We witness the glory of Christ!

The Lord loves justice and equity,
and is exalted over all the people.

We witness the glory of Christ!

Praise the Lord!

*SONG OF PRAISE

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Hymnal, No. 190

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Magnificent God,
we cannot stand before the glory of your presence.
You shine with divine light,
and we are overwhelmed by your goodness.
Lift us in your mercy,
release us from our fear,
and fill us with your Spirit,
that we might reflect your light
and share your love,
for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.**
(Time of silent reflection)

We are forgiven, again and again,
by this glorious God.

What a wonder! Alleluia!

*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

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Charlotte Lovett

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 24:12-18

Page No. 62

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 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.

ANTHEM

We Sing Glory to God

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 17:1-9

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Up a High Mountain

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Hymnal, No. 192

*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:... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain Hymnal, No. 193

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE Postlude on Unser Herrscher John Wigal

*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 February 26: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

The Food & Shelter items of the month for February **are reusable flatware and coffee mugs. 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.**

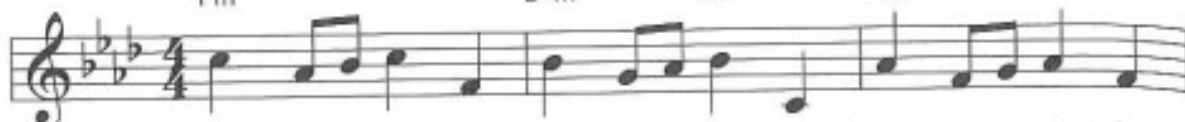
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190 Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Capo 3: (Dm)

(Gm) (A7) (Dm)

Fm B^bm C7 Fm



1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo - ry, heav - en's voice, the
 2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la - tion, they shall gain and
 3 Lord, trans - fig - ure our per - cep - tion with the pur - est

(Gm) (A7) (Dm) (Gm) (A7)
 B^bm C7 Fm B^bm C7



daz - zling light; Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish;
 keep its truth, not by build - ing on the moun - tain
 light that shines, and re - cast our life's in - ten - tions

(Dm) (A7) (Dm) (D) (Bm)
 Fm C7 Fm F Dm



Christ a - lone com - mands the height! Pe - ter, James, and
 an - y shrine or sa - cred booth, but by fol - low -
 to the shape of your de - signs, till we seek no

(Em) (A7) (D) (Bm) (Em) (A7) (D)
 Gm C7 F Dm Gm C7 F



John fall si - lent, turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise down - ward
 ing the Sav - ior through the val - ley to the cross and by
 oth - er glo - ry than what lies past Cal - vary's hill and our

(Bm) (Em) (A7) (D) (Bm) (D) (A7) (D)
 Dm Gm C7 F Dm F C7 F



toward the shad - owed val - ley where their Lord has fixed his eyes.
 test - ing faith's re - sil - ience through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.
 liv - ing and our dy - ing and our ris - ing by your will.

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 - diance; 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.

193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

1 Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain, where, with Pe - ter,
2 What do you want us to see there, that your close com -
3 What do you want us to hear there, that your dear dis -
4 Take us to that oth - er moun - tain where we see you
5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, ris - en and as -

James, and John, we are daz - zled by your glo - ry,
pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there
ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en
glo - ri - fied, where you shout - ed "It is fin - ished!"
cend - ed Lord, can - not help but tell the sto - ry,

light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us
fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like
says of the In - car - nate Word, "Lis - ten, lis - ten,
where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -
all that we have seen and heard; say with Pe - ter,

for the night by the vi - sion of that sight.
ours you go, matched to meet our dead - liest foe.
ev - ery - one: this is my be - lov - ed Son."
tur - i - on: "Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"
James, and John: "You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.