

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD
FEBRUARY 27, 2022

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INTRODUCTION

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God’s glory in the word and in the supper and who are being “transformed into the same image” by God’s Spirit.

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We exist to proclaim the message of salvation in Christ through joyful worship, quality education and loving service

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand as you are able

P This is the day that the Lord has made:

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps 118:24)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

C Amen.

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

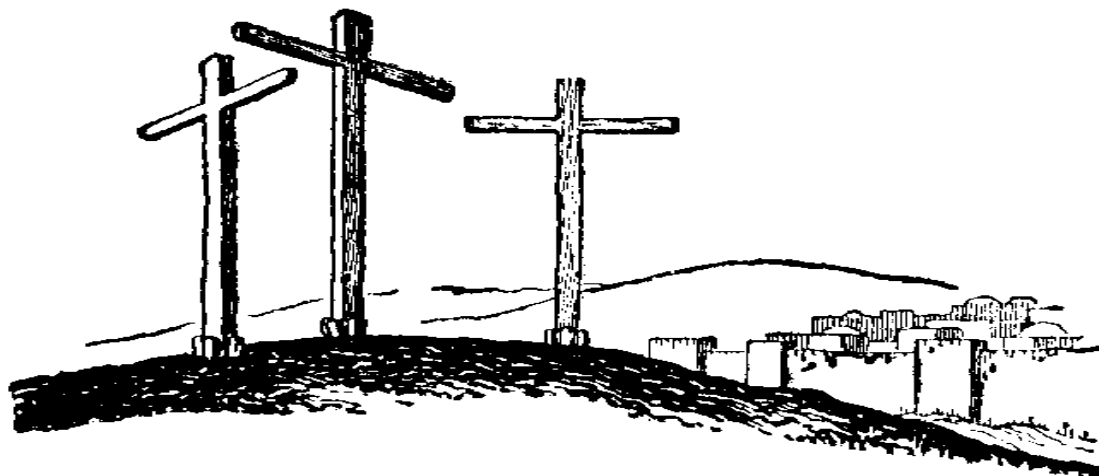
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P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

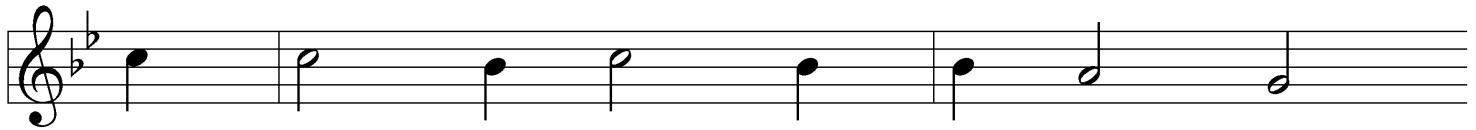
P Rejoice in this good news: In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C Amen.

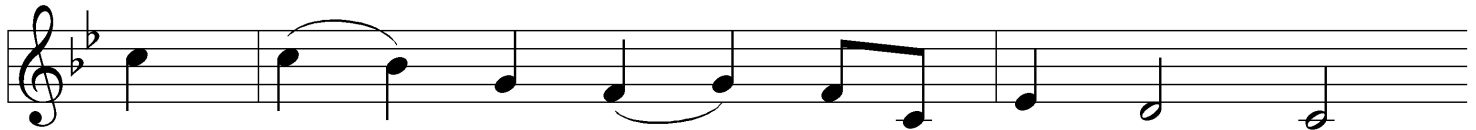


GATHERING HYMN

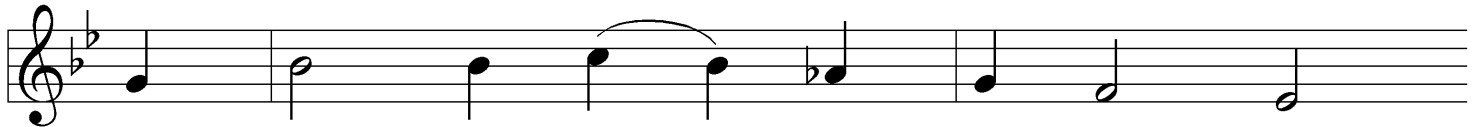
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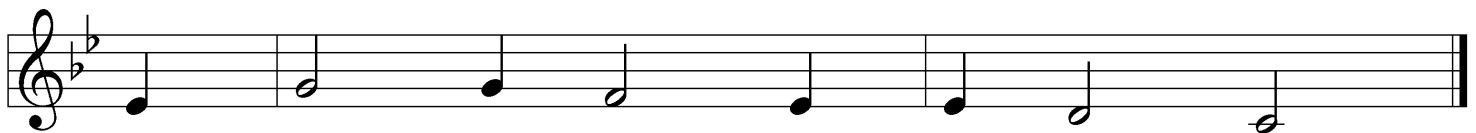
1 Oh, won - drous type! Oh, vi - sion fair
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray,
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high
 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son



of glo - ry that the church may share,
 the in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;
 Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
 by this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y;
 and Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one,



which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
 and from the cloud, the Ho - ly One
 what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
 for which in joy - ful strains we raise
 we pray you, bring us by your grace



where bright - er than the sun he glows!
 bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.
 who joy in God with per - fect love.
 the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 to see your glo - ry face to face.

Text: Sarum, 15th cent.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Music: DEO GRACIAS, English, 15th cent.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



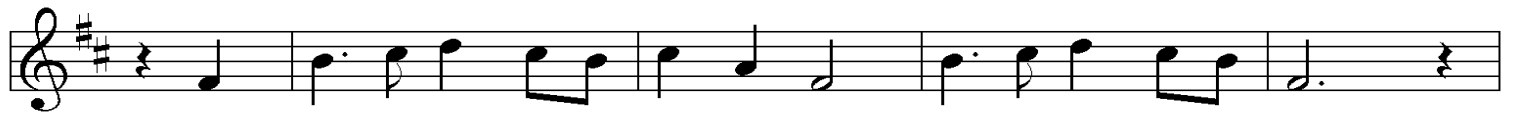
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Holy God,

C 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.

Please be seated

FIRST READING

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SERMON

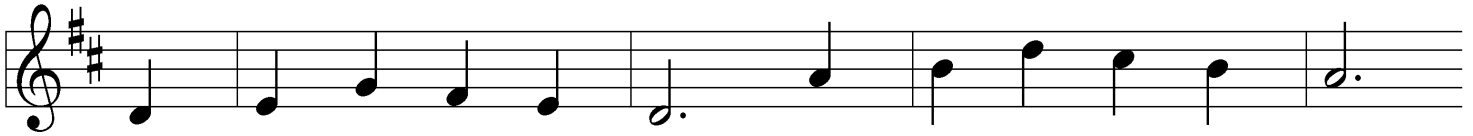
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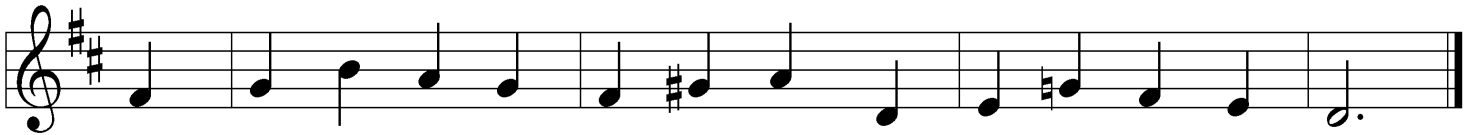


HYMN OF THE DAY

HOW GOOD, LORD, TO BE HERE!



- 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, Mercer, *Church Psalter*, 1854

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — APOSTLES CREED

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 OF INTERCESSION

Please be seated

MINISTRY MOMENTS (ANNOUNCEMENTS)

OFFERING *(Please place your offerings in the collection plate located by the doors as you exit)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

WORSHIP TEAM

OFFERING PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts

C We lift them to the Lord

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give God thanks and praise.



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.
We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

- C **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

- P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

Be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

- C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

- C **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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COMMUNION HYMN

LAMB OF GOD



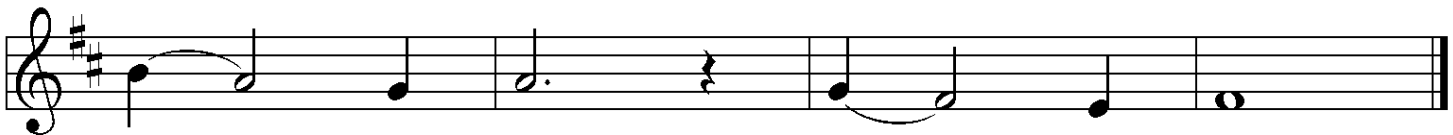
C Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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grant us peace, grant us peace.

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BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in God's grace, now and forever.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,† bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

LORD, DISMISS US WITH YOUR BLESSING



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing, fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling



joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. Oh, re - fresh us;
in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.
Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

DISMISSAL

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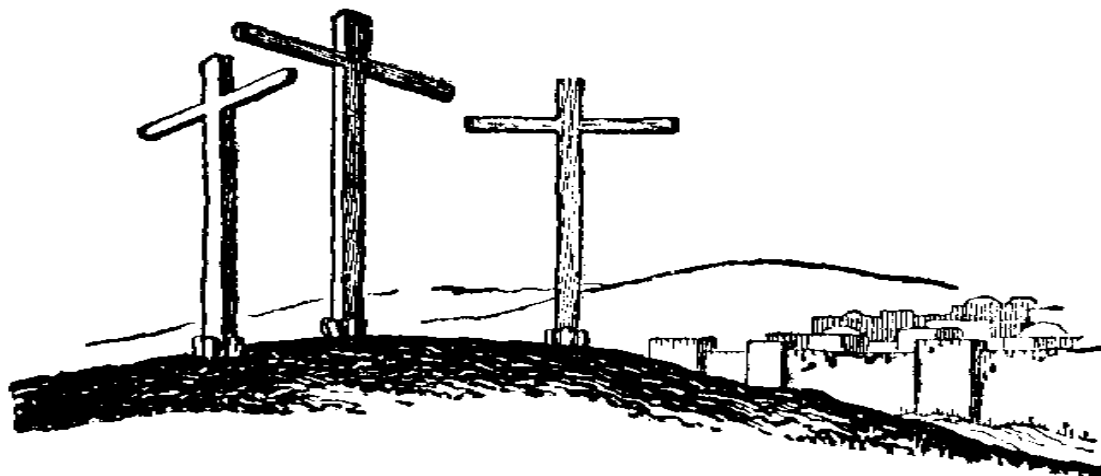
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C Amen.



GATHERING SONG

- 1) I stand to praise You,
but I fall on my knees.
My spirit is willing,
but my flesh is so weak.

Chorus:

Light the fire
(echo: light the fire)
In my soul
(echo: in my weary soul)
Fan the flame
(echo: fan the flame)
Make me whole
(echo: make my spirit whole)
Lord You know
(echo: Lord You know)
Where I've been
(echo: where I've been)
So, light the fire in my heart (once) again.

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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

- P** Let us pray. Holy God,
C 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.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are excused for Sunday School

LIGHT THE FIRE

- 2) I feel your arms around me,
As the power of your healing begins.
You breathe new life right through me,
Like a mighty rushing wind.

Chorus

Ending

So light the fire in my heart again,
Light the fire in my heart again.

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SECOND READING

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GOSPEL VERSE

C Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart Oh, let the Ancient words impart.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you;
We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart.

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SERMON

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SONG OF THE DAY

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

1) Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth
you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

3) As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
so our faces display Your likeness,
ever-changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here,
may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me! **Chorus**

Chorus

Shine, Jesus shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations
with love and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord,
and let there be light!

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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.**

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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If you are worshiping in your homes, you are invited to commune each other, or to take communion yourself. You may use these words:

The body of the Christ, given for you. The blood of the Christ, shed for you.

For those abstaining from communion, I invite you to offer a blessing to each other. Here are two options:

1. *Marking the forehead in the sign of the cross and saying:*

(Name) child of God, know that you are loved and protected by God.

2. *Prayer for those abstaining from Communion:*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

COMMUNION SONG

SWEET JESUS

1) Sweet Jesus, my Savior,
You are my faithful friend.
You made me, you know me.
You see my every sin.
And my soul is amazed
By this gift of your grace
And these arms that take me in.
Sweet Jesus, my Savior,
You are my faithful friend.

3) Sweet Jesus, my shepherd,
You are my faithful friend.
You hold me, you lead me;
I'll follow til the end.
And once more I will say
On that beautiful day
When your arms take me in
Sweet Jesus, my shepherd,
You are my faithful friend.

2) Sweet Jesus, my shelter,
You are my faithful friend,
The refuge that I run to
When my world comes closing in.
Why should I be afraid
When I know I am saved
By the arms that take me in,
Sweet Jesus, my shelter,
You are my faithful friend.

Sweet Jesus my Savior
You are my faithful friend.

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BLESSING

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C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,† bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG

OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART

Verse

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart,
I want to see You, I want to see You

(Repeat 1 time; then sing the chorus)

Chorus

To see You high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love,
As we sing holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy,
I want to see you.

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DISMISSAL

P Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



READINGS

FIRST READING

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.

²⁹Moses 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. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but 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, ³⁵the 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.

R Word of God, word of life

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 63

My Soul is Thirsting

Refrain: sung first by Cantor, then by all

C My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, thirsting for you, my God.
My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, thirsting for you, my God,
thirsting for you my God.

Verses sung by Cantor

1. O God, you are my God, and I will always praise you. In the shadow of your wings I cling to you and you hold me high.
2. Through the day you walk with me; all the night your love surrounds me. To the glory of your name I lift my hands, I sing your praise.
3. I will never be afraid, for I will not be abandoned. Even when the road grows long and weary your love will rescue me.

SECOND READING

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.

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not 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. ¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And 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.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We 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.

R Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Luke 9:28-36

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 St. Luke, the 9th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now 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. ³³Just 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. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When 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.

P The Gospel of our Lord

C Praise to You, O Christ