

“A VOICE CAME OUT
OF THE CLOUD,
SAYING, ‘THIS IS
MY SON, MY
CHOSEN; LISTEN TO
HIM!’”

LUKE 9:35

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Last Sunday after Epiphany

February 27, 2022

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Setting Seven

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.

Joys & Concerns

Confession and Forgiveness

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 one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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

Blessed Assurance
Sung in honor of Christine Brennecke

ELW 638

Greeting

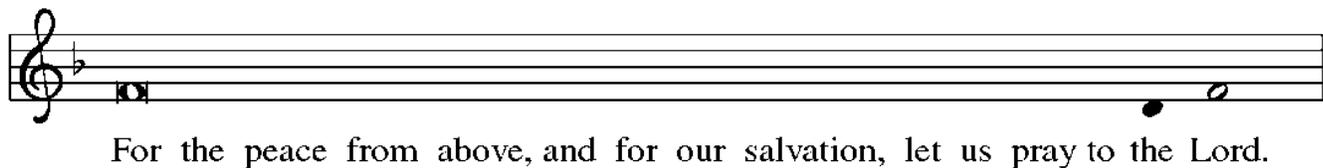
P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. **And also with you.**

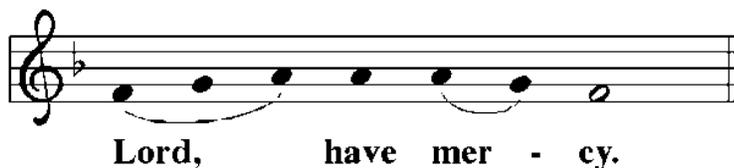
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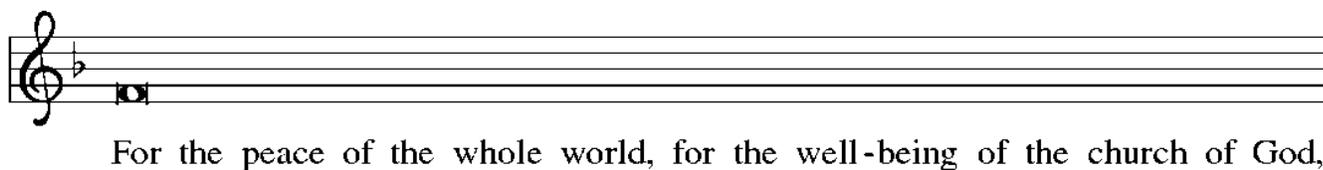
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



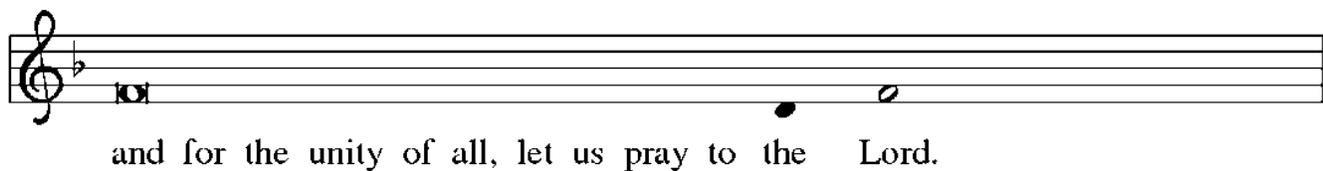
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



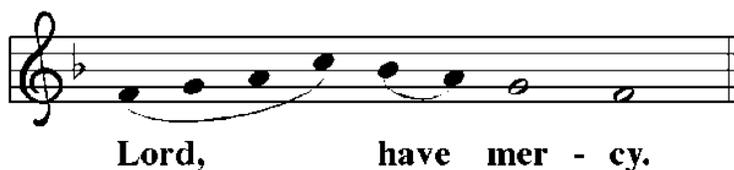
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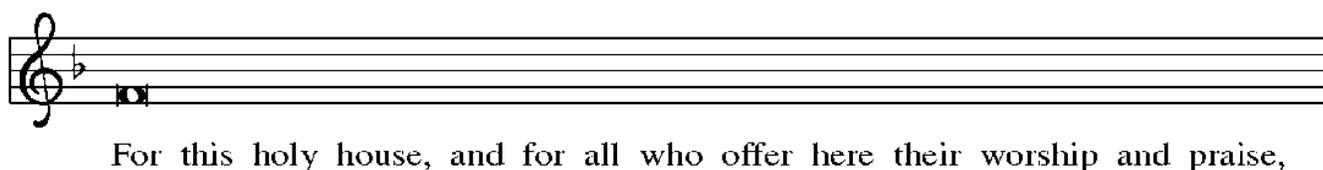
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



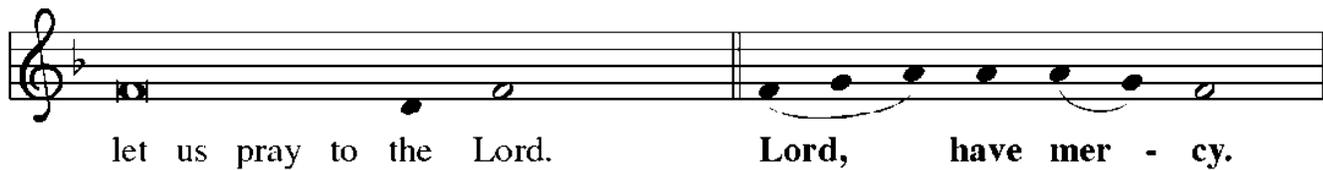
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



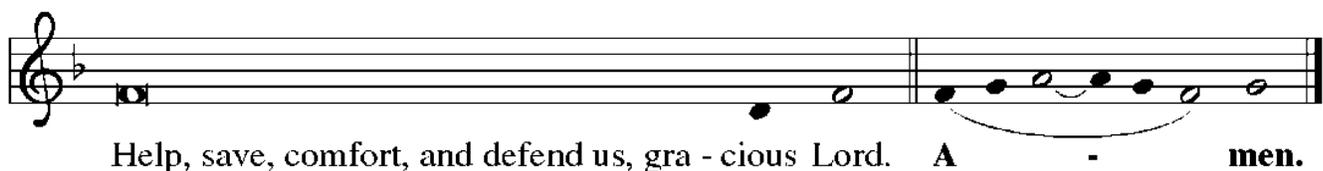
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Hymn of Praise



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



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

A. Let us pray

C. **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.**

First Reading

Exodus 34:29-35

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

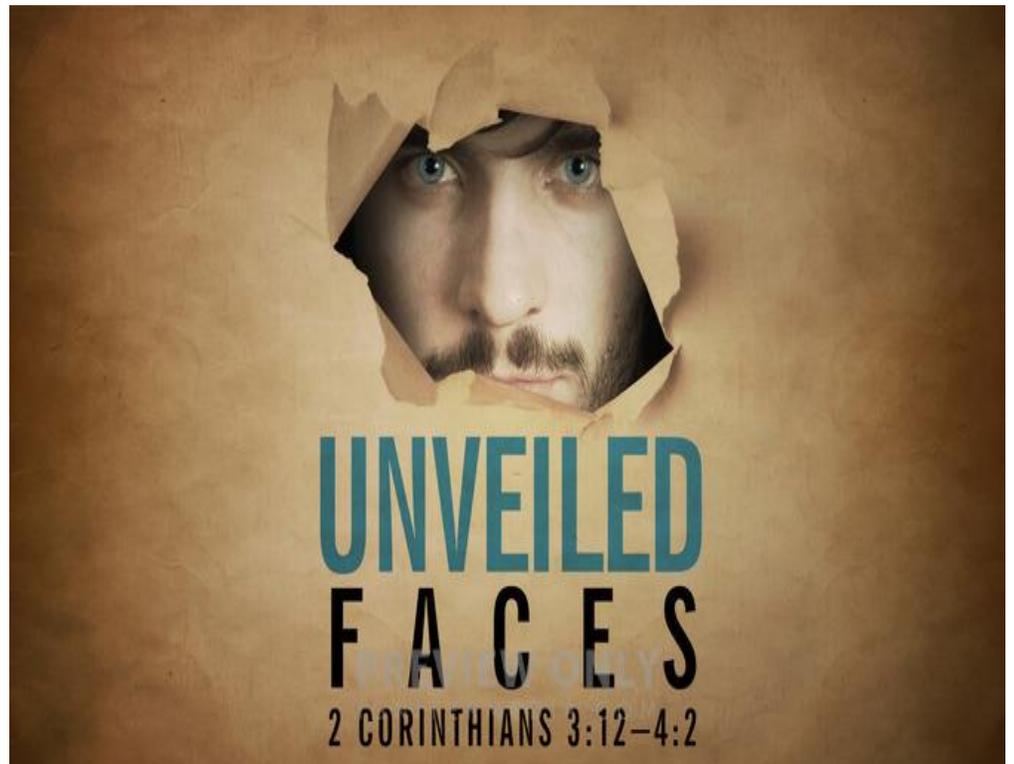


L. Word of God, word of life.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, 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. 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. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.



Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 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.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. 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.

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Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P. The holy gospel according to Luke, chapter nine.

Luke 9:28-36-43a

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed

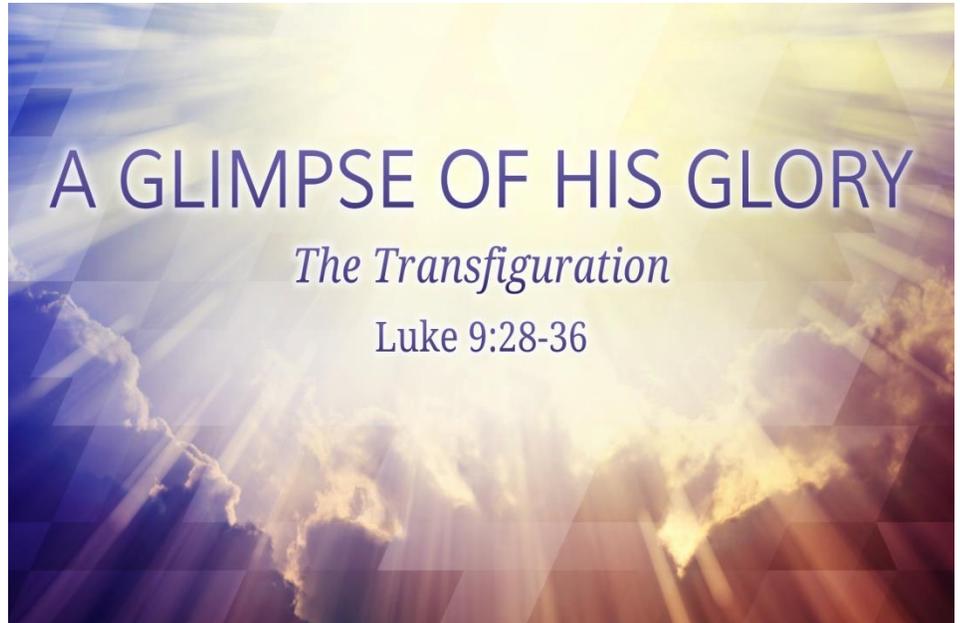
down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" 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.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. 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. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." 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. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

P. The gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.



The Sermon

Pastor Marissa Krey

Hymn of the Day

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

ELW 597

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

He came down from heaven,
By the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day He rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

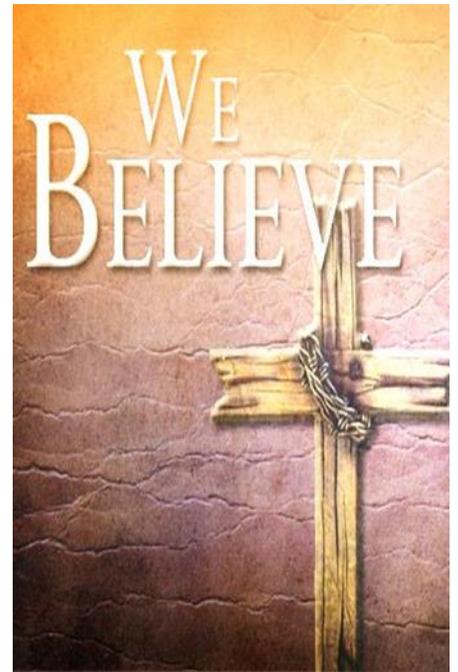
Prayers of Intercession

A. 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,

C. hear our prayer.



P. 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.

C. Amen.

The Peace

P. Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled.
May His peace be with you always.

C. And also with you.



Anthem

Thy Holy Wings (Swedish)

Choir

Offertory Prayer

A. Blessed are you, O God,

C. 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. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



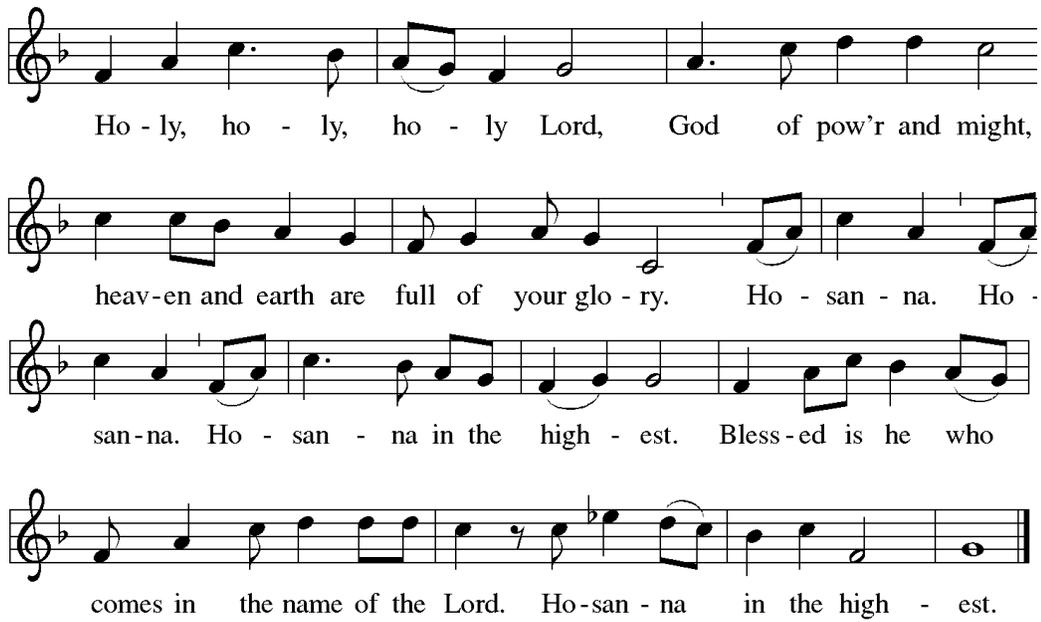
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right....

The Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

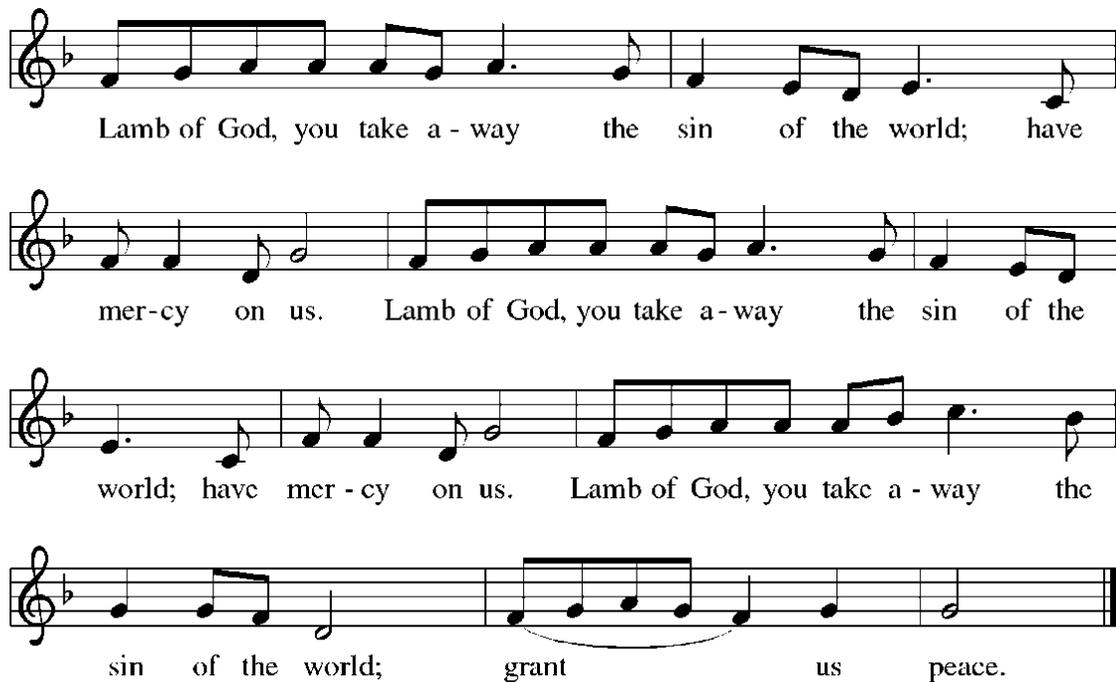
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

Invitation to Communion

P. Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

C. Amen

O Lamb of God



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

Communion Hymns

Away in a Manger - sung in Honor of Carol Wallace

ELW 277

There Is a Balm in Gilead - sung in Honor of Ken Fillingim

ELW 614

Shall We Gather at the River - sung in Honor of Bob Watkins

ELW 423

Post Communion Blessing and Canticle

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C. Amen

Lord, Now You Let Your Servant Go in Peace



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace. Your WORD has been ful-



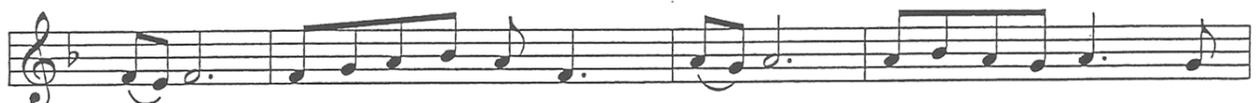
filled. My own eyes have seen the SAL-VA-TION which



You have pre-pared in the sight of ev'-ry peo-ple: a LIGHT, to re-



veal You to the na-tions, and the GLO-RY of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el!



Glo ry! Glo-ry to the FA - THER! Glo- ry! Glo-ry to the SON! And



Glo - ry! Glo - ry to the HO - LY SPI - RIT!



As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and will be for -



ev - er, A - men. A - men. A - men.

Post Communion Prayer

A. 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

Blessing

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

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky - sung in honor of Dave Hash

1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in deep - est sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part includes chord markings: G, C/G, G, C/G, G, D in the first system, and G, Em, Am G, C, Am, Am7, D in the second system.

I, who made the stars of night, I will break their hearts of stone,
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide

I will make their dark-ness bright,
 give them hearts for love a - lone,
 till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Chords: G, C/G, G, C/G, G, D

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Chords: G, Em, Am⁷, G, C, Am, G, C, D

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Chords: D, G, Gsus4, G, C, G

Am⁷ G C D G Gsus⁴ G

call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

C G Am⁷ D G Gsus⁴ G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Dismissal

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

Postlude

Brad Hunnicutt

Immediately after Worship



Servers for Sunday, February 27th

Assisting Minister Sylvia Lambert
Reader Mary Cook
Altar Guild Helen Holderman
Greeters..... Harry & Sheryll Albert
Usher Steve Brantley
Acolyte Antonio Smith

Serving from the Heart

Sign-up sheets for the various worship assistant slots are on the board in the hallway. Please consider giving glory to God by filling one of these positions on a Sunday.



After Worship Fellowship provided by Steve Brantley in honor of Ken Fillingim.

Candles for the month of February are provided by Sylvia Lambert in loving memory of Ralph, Johnnie, Cora, and Stanley.

Flowers this week are given by Julia Lochra in honor of all those who serve our church.

Honor a loved one by making a donation for candles in the sanctuary for the month or the flowers that beautify the church each Sunday. Sign-up sheets are on the board in the hallway.

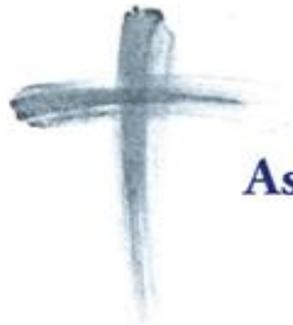
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



A Pancake Supper will be held in the fellowship hall on March 1st at 6:30 pm. There will be a freewill offering for World Hunger. Known also as "Mardi Gras", Shrove Tuesday is basically the day of preparation for Lent. The tradition in the church of having pancake suppers and the secular tradition of just plain partying probably derives from the practice of feasting before the fast. It takes place on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday (the first day of Lent.)

ALL are invited to attend the Pancake Supper and join in our special celebration!

Mar 2 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship
and Communion
7:30 pm Choir Practice



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

Mar 4 7:00 pm Men's Group Meeting
Women's Meet 'n Eat

Mar 6 9:00 am Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
10:00 am Worship Service – 1st Sunday in Lent
11:00 am Council Meeting



Mar 9 5:45 pm **Chime Choir Practice**
6:30 pm Simple Supper &
Lenten Midweek Worship
7:30 pm **Choir Practice**

Simple Suppers – will be held during Lent on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm, prior to the Lenten Services, from March 9th thru April 13th. A sign-up sheet is on the board in the Fellowship Hall for those who can sponsor a meal.



Spring Forward
Don't forget to set your clocks
ahead 1 hour
Saturday Night March 12th.

March 13 9:00 am Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
10:00 am Worship Service – 2nd Sunday in Lent