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**9:15 AM - March 2, 2025 - Transfiguration of Our Lord
ALIVE! Worship Service**

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.

Faith Alive!

Capo 3

D G D G
Call my name and I'll rise up from my sleeping
D G D G
Give the Word and I'll leave my world behind
D G D G
All these days like a gentle water falling
 A G
Now growing and flowing till I'm swept away
 A G
Give me bread for the journey, oh Jesus, I pray

D G D G
Light my way with faith alive, Light my way with faith alive
 D A D
Let me burn so bright, burn with faith alive

"Faith Alive" by Matt Canniff-Kuhn
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You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two parts, Part 1 and Part 2, which are interwoven throughout the piece. The lyrics are: "You are ho - ly; you are might - y; you are wor - thy, you are wor - thy of praise. I will wor - thy, wor - thy of praise. I will fol - low; I will lis - ten; I will fol - low; I will lis - ten; I will love you all of my lis - ten; I will love you".

Chord progressions are indicated by letters above the staff: G, C2, Am, D, G, C2, Am, D, G.

Songs of personal devotion to Christ have long formed part of congregational song, a tradition continued in this contemporary praise and worship song. The two parts suggest the voices of heart and mind, the latter being distinguished by familiarity with many scriptural images.

days. I will sing to and
 all of my days. You are Lord of lords; you are
 wor - ship the King who is
 King of kings; you are might - y God, Lord of
 wor - thy. I will love and a -
 ev - ery - thing. You're Em - man - u - el; you're the
 dore him; I will bow down be -
 great I AM; you're the Prince of Peace, who
 fore him. I will sing to and
 is the Lamb. You're the liv - ing God; you're my

continued

Dsus Em7
wor - ship the King who is
sav - ing grace; you will reign for - ev - er; you are

G/B C2
wor - thy. I will love and a -
An - cient of Days. You are Al - pha, O - me - ga, Be -

Dsus Em7
dore him; I will bow down be -
gin - ning and End. You're my Sav - ior, Mes - si - ah, Re -

Asus A C2
fore him. You're my Prince of Peace, and I will
deem - er, and Friend. You're my Prince of Peace, and I will

D G
live my life for you.
live my life for you.

Come to the Mountain

All sing: refrain & verse 3 ALIVE! sings: verses 1 & 2



1 Je - sus took Pet - er, James, and John
2 "This is my Son!" said a voice from the cloud.
3 We will be changed like Je - sus our Lord,



up to the moun - tain to be a - lone.
"Lis - ten to him and do what he says!"
and live with him in heav - en a - bove.

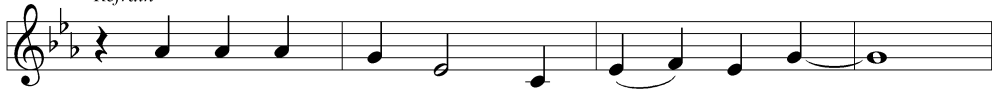


While they were watch - ing Je - sus was changed;
Soon as it came that vis - ion was gone,
But while we live on this earth - ly home,

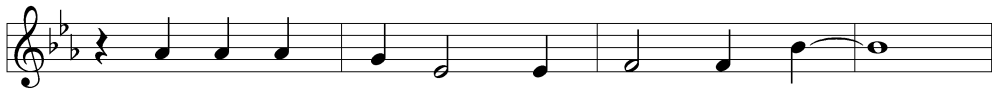


and they saw Mo - ses face to face.
and they saw Je - sus stand - ing a - lone.
our work as ser - vants nev - er is done.

Refrain



Come to the moun - tain to see the light.



Come to the moun - tain to hear God's word.



Go to the val - ley, it is your home.



Go to the val - ley to serve the Lord.

Text: Scott Tunseth

Music: MOUNTAIN AND VALLEY, Kathleen Donlan Tunseth

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PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYERS

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, **let us pray to the Lord.**

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Little Light of Mine

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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 Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer, b. 1935
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A reading from 2 Corinthians.

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.

¹² Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³ 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. ¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶ but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ 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.

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

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM HYMN

He Is Exalted

F F/A B \flat B \flat /D C/E

He is ex-alt-ed, the King is ex-alt-ed on high; I will praise him.

F F/A B \flat C/B \flat B \flat /C C

He is ex - alt - ed, for - ev - er ex - alt - ed, and I will praise his

Dsus D/C Gm Dm/F C/E C F Am

name. Je - sus is Lord, for - ev - er his truth shall

B \flat F/A Gm Dm/F C/E C F Am

reign; hea - ven and earth re - joice in his ho - ly

B \flat F/A Gm B \flat /F E \flat M⁷ B \flat /C F B \flat /F F

name. He is ex-alt-ed, the King is ex - alt - ed on high.

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GOSPEL

Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

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

[³⁷ On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸ Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹ 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. ⁴⁰ I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹ Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴² 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. ^{43a} And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Wade Roof

ANTHEM

Here I Am To Worship

Hughes/arr. Shackley

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS


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

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of **+** Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

That We May Be Filled



Not as we ought but as we are a - ble, we
of - fer our thanks as we come to your ta - ble. Through
Word and Spir - it bless us; through bread and wine re - fresh us that
we may be filled, that we may be filled with love.

Text: Handt Hanson and Paul Murakami

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

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

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

Beautiful Savior

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robbed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Weiss, 1823–1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Shine, Jesus, Shine

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

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE
99 10 10 33 and refrain

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Music: Graham Kendrick
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DISMISSAL


POSTLUDE

Worship Assistants

Communion assistant *Julianne Jones*
Lector *Nancy Smith*
Greeter *Grace Fuson*
Ushers..... *Lucky Jones, Todd Sease*

ALIVE! Musicians

<i>Gale McLeod, Co-Director</i>	<i>Lyndsey Ebener</i>	<i>Steve Hamilton</i>
<i>Irelou Moye, Co-Director</i>	<i>Bradley Miller</i>	<i>Ricky Lusk</i>
<i>Beth Branham</i>	<i>David Moye</i>	<i>Julie Ann Payne</i>
<i>Leah Conrad</i>	<i>Erin Hall</i>	<i>Ed Redmond</i>
<i>Brett Ebener</i>	<i>Vaughn Hall</i>	<i>Roxanne Rich</i>
<i>Clark Ebener</i>		



Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Mt. Tabor's church staff.



FOR FURTHER STUDY

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.

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

Psalm 99

- ¹ The LORD is king; let the people tremble.
The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- ² The LORD, great in Zion,
is high above all peoples.
- ³ Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;
God is the Holy One.
- ⁴ O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
- ⁵ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool;
God is the Holy One.
- ⁶ 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,
- ⁷ you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.
- ⁸ O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- ⁹ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill;
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

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Friendship

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Peace

Generosity

Comfort

Caring

Music

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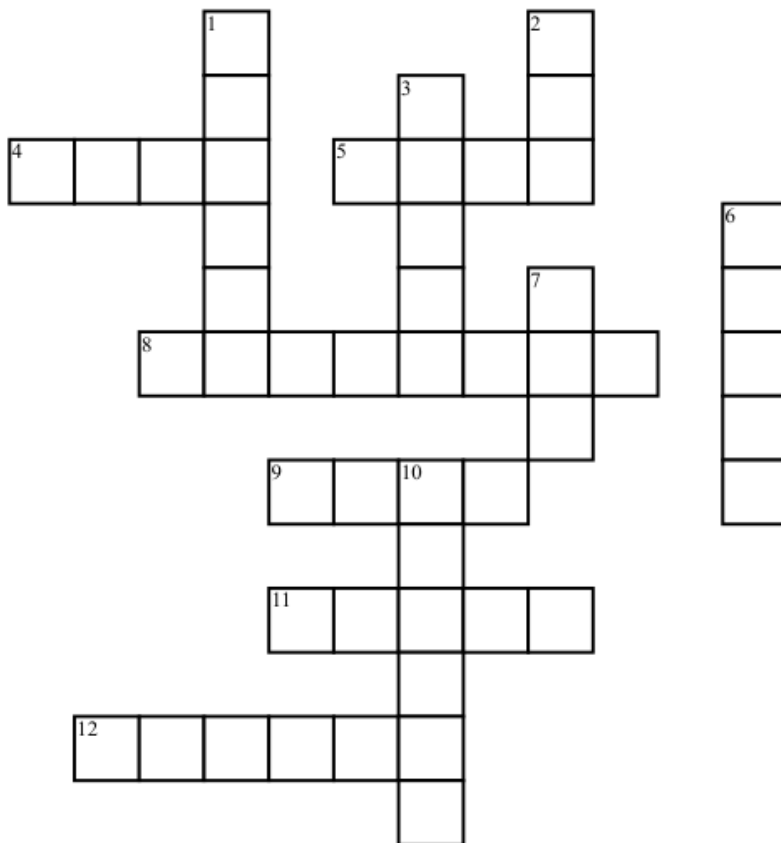
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Praise

Heart

Love

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Across

4. By grace we are saved through faith. This is a ___ from God.

5. When my mother and my father forsake me, then the ___ will take me up. Psalms 27:10

8. Lo, ___ are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. Psalms 127:3

9. Jesus healed the ___ in love. Matthew 14:14

11. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in ___. Psalms 103:8

12. Children, obey your parents in all ___, Because it pleases the Lord. Colossians 3:20

Down

1. He that spareth his rod ___ his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes. Proverbs 13:24

2. Who gave his only begotten Son out of love? John 3:16

3. We love him, because he first ___ us. 1 John 4:19

6. We are ___ friends if we do what he commands to do. John 15:14

7. Jesus ___ the hungry in love. Matthew 15:32

10. He died for us out of love, while we were sinners. romans 5:8

Welcome to Mt. Tabor. We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! If you are a visitor, please fill out and return the attendance card in your pew rack so we may have a record of your attendance. Our ushers and greeters will be glad to answer any questions you may have about our worship service. We hope that you will experience the presence of the Risen Christ today!

Lord Teach Us To Pray:

As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week: Rhett Anderson, Kristie Lown, Michael Scyphers, Kelly Hamilton, Harper Yoder, Hudson Yoder, Mattox Fleming, Lee Riley, Everly Insabella.

Most Recent Prayer Concerns:

Sylvia Nelson, Nancy Stone-Collum, John Conrad, Betty Jo Cato, Kenny Skenes, Carolyn Dufries, Lauren Addy, Linda Price, Kim Pittman, Lynda Mason, Bruce Merchant

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Betty Wise, Al & Judy Jordan, Luther Swicegood, Sandra Baker, Drewby McQuillen, Mary Davis, Alice Pollock, Jimmy Williams, Mona Myers, Sadie Howard, Elmer Sundlie, Dennis Rybicki Jr., Emma Lou Easley, Paul Addy, Paul & Jeanie Jacobs, Herman Bouknight, Jane Sexton, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston

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Zachery Gayden, Josh Watson, Jacob Henry Burgan, Caleb Neff

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Rev. Rus Stilwell, Pastor of Visitation

Mr. Kevin Davis, Director of Music