

Zion Lutheran Church



Transfiguration of Our Lord

5:30 p.m. February 14, 2026

9:00 a.m. February 15, 2026

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

Welcome

Welcome to worship at Zion Lutheran Church. May this time honor God and inspire you.
Worship details: In this bulletin, **bold print** indicates the congregation's responses. **Assisted listening devices**, which are cleaned, disinfected, and have earpads replaced after each service are available in the narthex; ask an usher. **Hospitality details:** A **family restroom** is located in the hallway next to the sanctuary. **If you are visiting today**, please feel free to sign the Guest Registry located in the narthex. We ask that ALL members, regular visitors, and guests **sign the pew pad sheet**, so that we can better get to know each other.

PRELUDE

RINGING OF BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly may stand

CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, [☩] one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

C **Amen.**

P Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Mighty God, lover of justice,

C **you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.** Amen.

P The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in [☩] Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

C **Amen.**

HYMN:

"Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly"

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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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



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



1 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.

Refrain



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



2 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.

Refrain

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

3 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.

Refrain

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The assembly is seated

Exodus 24:12-18 At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The “glory of the Lord” settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.

¹² The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their

instruction.”¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God.¹⁴ To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.”

¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain.¹⁶ The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud.¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites.¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

R Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99 (*read responsively*)

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.

(9:00)BELLS

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

2 Peter 1:16-21 *At the transfiguration, God’s voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God’s voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.*

¹⁶ We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty.¹⁷ For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

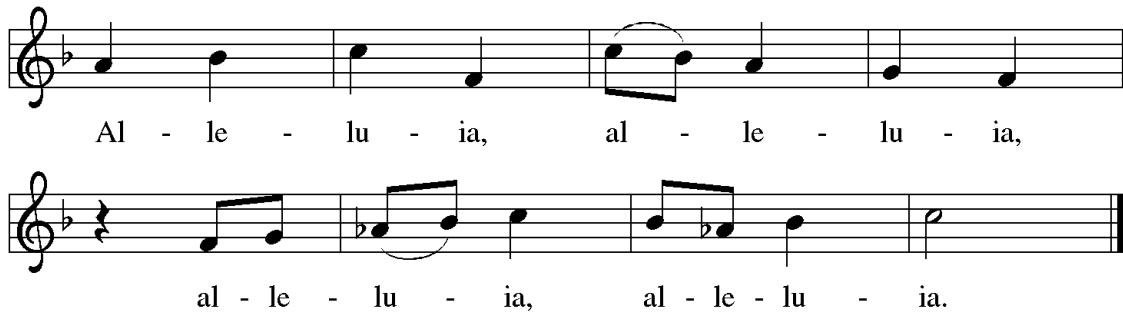
¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

R Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly may stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Matthew 17:1-9 *Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.*

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹ Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸ And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

P The Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to you, O Christ**

The assembly is seated

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON:

Pastor Paul Holmer

The assembly may stand

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"To Be Like You"

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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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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 worshiped 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

Each petition ends with: Merciful God. Please respond with: **Receive our prayer.**

P Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

C **Amen.**

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

We share Christ's peace with one another.

The assembly is seated.

NOISY OFFERING Gifts received in the Noisy Offering will be split between
ELCA World Hunger and local food pantries

(Offering plates will not be passed during the service, but are available at the sanctuary entrance.)

(9:00) CHOIR

"I Am the Light of Nations"

The assembly may stand.

OFFERING RESPONSE

"As with Gladness Men of Old" vs. 1-3

ELW (red book) # 302



1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid-ing star be - hold;
2 As with joy - ful steps they sped, Sav - ior, to thy low - ly bed,
3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at thy cra - dle, rude and bare,
4 Ho - ly Je - sus, ev - 'ry day keep us in the nar - row way;
5 In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright need they no cre - a - ted light;



as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright;
there to bend the knee be - fore thee, whom heav'n and earth a - dore;
so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,
and when earth-ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last
thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;



so, most gra-cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led by thee.
so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek thy mer - cy seat.
all our cost-liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n-ly king.
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.
there for - ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our king.

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.

Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786-1872

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

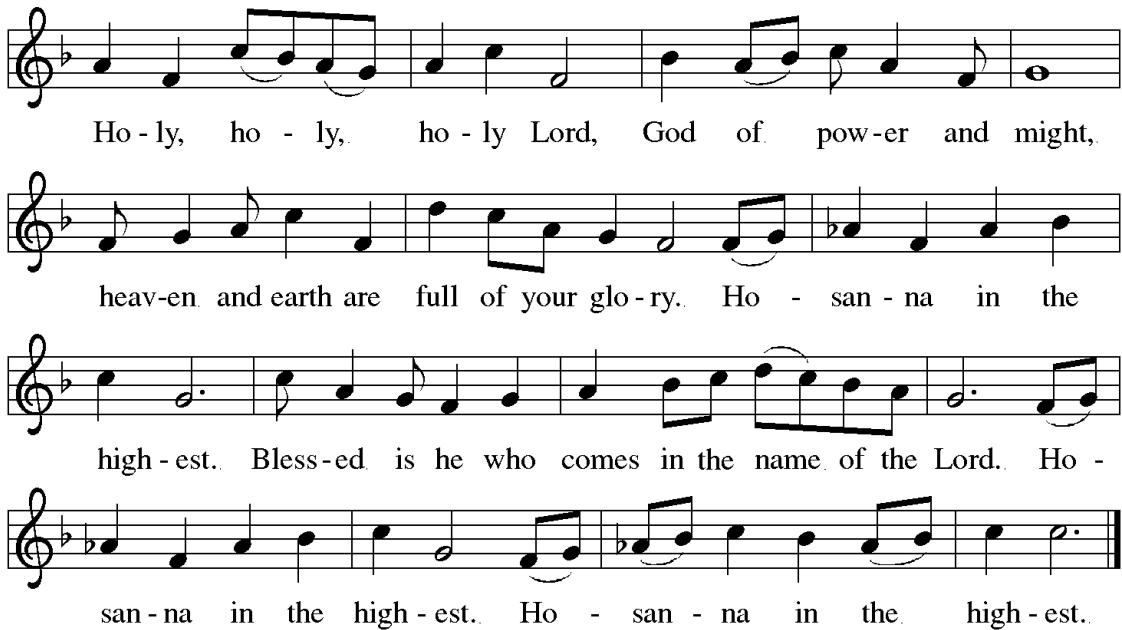
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our 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... ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

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, now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

The assembly is seated. All who trust that Christ is truly present in the sacrament are welcome to partake of this meal. All are welcome to come forward as the ushers direct you. However, you are also welcome to remain in your pew and the Lord's Supper will be brought to you; simply let the usher know your desire when they come to your pew.

Wine, grape juice and gluten-free options are available. The grape juice is the light colored liquid in the center ring of the trays. Place your empty glass in the receptacle available as you head back to your seat via the side aisle.



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:

“I Am The Bread of Life”

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The assembly may stand

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray. Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise + bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN:

“I See the Light”

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP LEADERS

5:30 pm

9:00 am

Presiding Minister:

Pastor Paul Holmer

Pastor Paul Holmer

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Donica Vonderohe

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Worship Assistant:

Diane Honeywell

Patti Lauritzen

Communion Servers:

Dennis & Judy Andersen

Linda Flikkema & Jolene Burnett

Greeters:

Linda Shaff

Jack Huizinga

THE RADIO BROADCAST this Sunday is sponsored by Dorothea Olsen & Helen Steen in memory of the birthday of their mother, Dorothea Olsen, on February 18th.

BIRTHDAY FELLOWSHIP IN THE GATHERING SPACE: This Sunday, February 15th, the Fellowship Committee will be hosting the monthly birthday fellowship to celebrate those who have birthdays in February. Stop by after the Sunday morning service and have a cupcake!

PRAYER LIST TO BEGIN: Zion will begin a prayer list in our weekly bulletins beginning next weekend, February 21st & 22nd. If you, a family member, or a friend would like to be included on the list, please call Amanda in Zion's office at 563-242-7391 or email her at officeadministrator@zionlutheranclinton.org. Permission must be granted by family members and friends in order to be placed on the list as it will include both first and last names.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1: Zion's Fellowship Committee WELCOMES YOU to come to the Zion Beef Stew & Chicken Pot Pie Luncheon. Included with the meal are Corn muffins, Applesauce, and Brownies. Please sign up at the table in the Narthex for a count to determine how many servings will be needed. Enjoy a time of fellowship and fun!

FAITH FUNDATIONS is requesting donations of desserts for upcoming Wednesdays. If you are willing to donate a dessert, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

CENTERING PRAYER OFFERED DURING LENT: Pastor Barbara invites you to join her for centering prayer on Tuesdays during Lent. This time of silent prayer will be offered at 12 noon in the chapel area off the dining room.

PLEASE HELP THE FOOD PANTRY!!! The increased need at the IRAS Food Pantry has put a considerable strain on their ability to fill food boxes. Would you please consider using the "Food Pantry" envelope in your offering envelopes to make a monetary donation AND/OR bring food items for the grocery cart in the Narthex?

THANK YOU: The Social Ministry Committee would like to extend our thanks Zion's congregation for your continued support of our annual Jefferson School Supply Shower. Because you gave so generously, we were able to deliver many badly needed school supplies to Jefferson. We'll be doing this again next year, around January/February when school supplies are running low. So, when you see school supplies on sale, pick them up, and put them aside for our 2027 Jefferson School Supply Shower. Again, thank you for your continued support of this project.

HAPPENING AT ZION THIS WEEK:

Monday, February 16th: 3:00 pm– Blood Drive

Tuesday, February 17th: 5:30 pm– Boy Scouts

Wednesday, February 18th: 9:00 am– Morning Prayer

10:00 am - Zion Book Club

11:00 am– Midweek Lenten Service

5:15 pm– Faith FUNdations & Confirmation

5:15 pm– Adult Choir

6:00 pm– Bells

7:00 pm- Midweek Lenten Service

Saturday, February 21st: 5:30 pm– Worship

Sunday, February 22nd: 9:00 am– Worship

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Saturday, February 7th 5:30 attendance	54
Sunday, February 8th 9:00 attendance	<u>92</u>
Total Weekend In-Person Attendance	146

PUT GOOD INTO THE WORLD

BLOOD DRIVE  ImpactLife

Zion Lutheran Church

Monday, February 16th
3:00pm to 6:30pm

The Gathering Space



To sign up, scan the QR code, contact Deb Vath
at djvath@mchsi.com or visit us online @
www.bloodcenter.org - Group # 2827

Last date to donate elsewhere: 12/22/2025

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

(based on the recording by Pat Barrett | original key - A)

Words and Music by
Pat Barrett, Jason Ingram
and Chris Tomlin

1. It
(2. It)

all comes _ down ____ to this, ____ what You re - quire ____ of me: ____
all comes _ down ____ to this, ____ to be Your ____ hands ____ and feet, ____

— Love _ my neigh - bor _ as ____ my - self, ____ and the
— good news to ____ all ____ the world, ____

You a - bove _ all ____ things. ____ Act just - ly, ____ love
truth will _ set ____ us ____ free. ____

mer - cy, ____ walk hum - bly ____ with You, God. ____ In

all things, ____ in all ways, ____ walk hum - bly ____ with

1. 2. You, God. ____ 2. It You, God. ____ It's beau - ty ____ for ash - es, ____ it's

mourn - ing ____ to danc - ing. ____ It's clos - er ____ and clos - er, ____ the King - dom ____ of heav - en. ____ It's

2. TURNAROUND

King - dom ____ of heav - en. ____

3. Years from _ now __ we'll __ see __ the

fruit our _ hands _ have sown. — Faith, just _ like _____ a seed, .
the on - ly __ way __ it _____ grows. —
Act just - ly, — love mer - cy, — walk hum - bly _ with
You, God. _____ In all things, — in
all ways, _____ walk hum - bly _ with You, God. —

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To Be Like You

Words and Music by
Matt Crocker and Brooke Ligertwood



1. Humble King,
2. Servant King,
3. I will walk



ho - ly One. Friend of sin - ners, God's own Son. God in flesh a - mong men, You friend to me. You saved my soul, washed my feet. Here I'll bow, give all to You. in Your ways, love Your word, seek Your face. My re - ward, my sole pur - suit to

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walked my road, You un - der - stand. be like You. All I want, Lord, I want to be like You. know You more, to



Last time to Coda \oplus

D.S. al Coda



Have my heart, have it all.

\oplus Coda



have it all. All I want, all I need, more of You, less of me.



Take this life, Lord, it's Yours. Have my heart, have it all.



Je - sus, Je - sus, all I want is to



be like You. Je - sus, Je - sus, all I want is to be like You.

All I want, all I need, more of You, less of me. Take this life,
 Lord, it's Yours. Have my heart, have it all.

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I Am The Bread Of Life

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*Words and Music by
Vince Ambrosetti*

REFRAIN

I am the Bread of Life; I am the Cup out - poured. Come to

Me and eat, come to Me and drink; come to Me and you will live.

I am the Bread from Heav - en; eat and you shall be fed.
 Of - fring of trans - for - ma - tion: Come and be changed by love.
 Ban - quet of light and free - dom, lead us to last - ing life.

to Refrain

Come share the Feast of Mer - cy: Heal - ing for all the world.
 Pres - ence of God with - in us: Make of our lives Your own.
 Sup - per of peace and jus - tice, free us from ev - 'ry strife.

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I See The Light

(based on the recording by Josh Baldwin)

Words and Music by
Bobby Strand, Josh Baldwin
and Matthew David Zigenis

1. I'm stand - in' at the edge of a

grave. Here lies the emp - ty life that I chased. Where death has lost its

hold on me. Your grip of love, I could not es - cape2. And I'm walk - in' in the val - ley of dry

bones where res - ur - rec - tion pow - er starts to grow. The breath of God, now

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in my lungs. I'll proph - e - sy His light has come. Hal - le - lu - jah, I see the light,

2nd time to Coda ♩

I see the light.

Hal - le - lu - jah, hope is a - live,

hope is a - live.

3. I'm kneel - in' at the foot of the cross.

My rich - est gains, I count them all

D.S. al Coda

loss.

No more let sin and sor - row reign. Through Je - sus' blood, I'm for - ev - er changed.

hope is a - live.

How won - der - ful, how glo - ri - ous, the sto - ry of Your

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love for us. Oh, the maj - es - ty, the mys - ter - y, the sto - ry of Your love for me. How

love for me. Hal - le - lu - jah, I see the light, I see the light.
Hal - le - lu - jah, hope is a - live, hope is a - live. I see the light,
yeah, I see the light.

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