



There he was transfigured in front of them.
His clothes became radiant, dazzling white...
Mark 9:2-3 (EHV)

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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the glory of Christ's salvation burn brightly in your hearts!

Thank you for joining us as we gather to be fed by Jesus! If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or the pastor.

- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 or FM 100.7 Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Oh, wondrous type! Oh, vision fair of glory that the Church may share, which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun he glows! O Father, with the eternal Son and Holy Spirit ever one, we pray you, bring us by your grace to see your glory face to face. Amen.

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### SERVICE THEME

*From the River to the Mountain:  
A Glimpse of His True Glory*

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Service of Word & Prayer | 266-269*

### OPENING HYMN

*How Good, Lord, to Be Here | 389*

## FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 2:1-12a

*The prophet Elijah never tasted death but instead was taken directly to heaven. On the Mount of Transfiguration Elijah appeared with the glorious Son of God who would taste death.*

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah was traveling with Elisha from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Bethel.”

But Elisha said, “As surely as the LORD lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel.

<sup>3</sup>The sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD is taking your master away from you?”

Then he said, “Yes, I know. Be quiet.”

<sup>4</sup>Then Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here because the LORD has sent me to Jericho.”

But he said, “As surely as the LORD lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you.” So they went to Jericho.

<sup>5</sup>Then the sons of the prophets who were in Jericho approached Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD is taking your master away from you?”

He said, “Yes, I know. Be quiet.”

<sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here because the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.”

But he said, “As surely as the LORD lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on.

<sup>7</sup>Then fifty men from the sons of the prophets came and stood and watched them from a distance, while the two of them were standing at the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Elijah took his cloak, folded it together, and struck the water. The water divided to the right and to the left. Then the two of them crossed on dry land.

<sup>9</sup>When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask me for whatever I can do for you before I am taken from you.”

Then Elisha said, “Let there be a double portion of your spirit on me.”

<sup>10</sup>He said, “You have asked for a difficult thing. If you see me being taken from you, it will surely be yours. But if not, then it will not.”

<sup>11</sup>While they were walking and talking, suddenly a chariot of fire, and horses of fire came and separated them. So Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. <sup>12</sup>Elisha was watching and crying out, “My father! My father! Israel’s chariot and its charioteers!” Then he did not see him anymore.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM OF THE DAY IN THURSDAY & 8:00

*You Are My Son | 2*

### GRADES 1-2 IN 10:30 SERVICE

*Shine, Jesus, Shine*

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.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence, From the shadows into your radiance.

By the blood I may enter your brightness; Search me, try me, consume all my  
darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.

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.

*Refrain: 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 grace and mercy.*

*Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!*

## SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

*We cannot yet physically see what those disciples saw on the Mount of Transfiguration. But St. Paul teaches we can still see the glory of Christ’s light in the gospel.*

But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled among those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In the case of those people, the god of this age has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from clearly seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is God’s image.

<sup>5</sup>Indeed, we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake. <sup>6</sup>For the God who said, “Light will shine out of darkness,” is the same one who made light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the person of Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later Jesus took with him Peter, James, and John the brother of James; and he led them up onto a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>There he was transfigured in front of them. His face was shining like the sun. His clothing became as white as the light. <sup>3</sup>Just then, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Jesus.

<sup>4</sup>Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you want, I will make three shelters here: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”

<sup>5</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them. Just then, a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him.”

<sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell face down and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Jesus approached and as he touched them, he said, “Get up, and do not be afraid.” <sup>8</sup>When they opened their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus alone. <sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Do not tell anyone what you have seen until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Please be seated.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Down from the Mount of Glory | 388*

“The Bible is Full of Amazing Things”

*Pastor Loren Lucht*

- 1. It’s Okay to be Amazed
- 2. But Don’t Tell Anybody...Until...

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GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING

PRAYERS & BLESSING

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FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, when we next gather for worship, it will be Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. On that day we will begin our solemn journey to the Savior’s cross. While the joy of faith remains undiminished throughout the

year, our rejoicing during Lent is muted and quiet. For centuries, therefore, the Christian churches have omitted their most jubilant songs during this season, including the word *alleluia*, which means, “praise the Lord.”

Now for a time we say farewell to *alleluia*. We do this to prepare ourselves for the quieter days of Lent. The *alleluias* will return on Easter dawn as we gather to shout our praise to the risen Lord.

HYMN OF SENDING

*Alleluia Song of Triumph*



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of tri - umph, sound of joy that  
2 Al - le - lu - ia we are sing - ing, voic - ing hymns in  
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while  
4 May our hymns be filled with long - ing— hear us, Ho - ly



can - not die; al - le - lu - ia is the an - them  
pure ac - cord, with Christ’s ho - ly Church u - nit - ed,  
here be - low; al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions  
Trin - i - ty— as we look to your blest East - er,



ev - er dear to choirs on high; saints a - dorned in  
jus - ti - fied, re - deemed, re - stored, and with all his  
make us for a while for - go. For the sol - emn  
here, and then e - ter - nal - ly, when we shall once



robes of glo - ry join the great an - gel - ic cry.  
faith - ful peo - ple raise our songs to praise the Lord.  
time is com - ing when our tears for sin must flow.  
more be sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly!



**ORGANIST:** Erin Achey

**GREETERS:** 8:00 ~ Travis & Brindah Birkholz, Carley & Mia  
10:30 ~ Joe & Nancy Birkholz