



LA JOLLA  
UNITED METHODIST

# The Body of Christ: Seeing and Re-Seeing

Sunday, February 27, 2022

Transfiguration Sunday

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## WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

### Prelude

*Kiss The Rain*

*Yiruma*

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### Introit

*Jesus, Stand Among Us*

Wesley Morgan  
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Westminster Press

### Welcome

### † Opening Hymn

*O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair*

UMH 258

1. O wondrous sight! O vision fair  
of glory that the church shall share,  
which Christ upon the mountain shows,  
where brighter than the sun he glows!
2. From age to age the tale declares  
how with the three disciples there  
where Moses and Elijah meet,  
the Lord holds converse high and sweet.
3. The law and prophets there have place,  
two chosen witnesses of grace;  
the Father's voice from out the cloud  
proclaims his only Son aloud.
4. With shining face and bright array,  
Christ deigns to manifest that day  
what glory shall be theirs above  
who joy in God with perfect love.
5. And faithful hearts are raised on high  
by this great vision's mystery;  
for which in joyful strains we raise  
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

### Blessing for Children

### Prayers of the People

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying.  
A time of silence will indicate when you may share one name or very short phrase to add.*

### Pastoral Prayer

## The Lord's 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. Amen.

### Prayer Response

*Amen*

Cesar Frank, Arr. Donald Moore  
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## WE HEAR OF THE LOVE OF CHRIST

### Scripture

Luke 9:28-36 (CEB)

About eight days after Jesus said these things, he took Peter, John, and James, and went up on a mountain to pray. As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed and his clothes flashed white like lightning. Two men, Moses and Elijah, were talking with him. They were clothed with heavenly splendor and spoke about Jesus' departure, which he would achieve in Jerusalem. Peter and those with him were almost overcome by sleep, but they managed to stay awake and saw his glory as well as the two men with him.

As the two men were about to leave Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it's good that we're here. We should construct three shrines: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—but he didn't know what he was saying. Peter was still speaking when a cloud overshadowed them. As they entered the cloud, they were overcome with awe.

Then a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, my chosen one. Listen to him!" Even as the voice spoke, Jesus was found alone. They were speechless and at the time told no one what they had seen.

### Scriptural Response

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### Anthem

*Holy Ground*

Geron Davis, setting by Lloyd Larson  
©1983 Hope Publishing

### Message

*Seeing and Re-Seeing*

Rev. Bob Rhodes

## WE RESPOND TO THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

### Response in the World

## Invitation to the Offering

### Offertory

*Interlude Op. 87 No. 1*

Simon Sechter  
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### † Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH 94

### Confession, Assurance, and Peace - Liturgist

**All: Mighty, tender, and forgiving God, talk of your radiant glory sometimes leaves us feeling lackluster. We face daily challenges that can dull the shine of our lives. When we figure these challenges out, we feel good at our success, but when we are unable, we feel unsure, afraid, and confused. We sometimes wonder if we have the capacity to shine with your light in a world full of darkness. Polish the mirror of our lives, that we might reflect your light more each day, even in times of fear and uncertainty. Amen.**

Liturgist: Our sovereign God answers our failings with forgiveness and renewal. We are all being transformed, day by day, from one degree of glory to another. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

### † Closing Hymn

*Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

UMH 173

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise,  
triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.
2. Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return,  
till thy mercy's beams I see;  
till they inward light impart,  
cheer my eyes and warm my heart.
3. Visit then this soul of mine;  
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, Radiance divine,  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Postlude in C*

E. F. Rimbault  
first published by S. T. Gordon, 1855

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Liturgical elements from *The Abingdon Worship Annual*

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