



PRELUDE

Tribute

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

OPENING HYMN #7

CHRIST WHOSE GLORY FILLS THE SKIES

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-cous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Presider introduces the service informally.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA, LEVAS #243

Organ

CARL HAYWOOD (B. 1949)

All

Glo - ry,
Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, Glo - ry,
Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Choir All
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glo - ry,
Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, Glo - ry,
Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name.

You take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.
 For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,

Choir All

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of the Fa - ther. Glo - ry,
 Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, Glo - ry,
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 Ho - ly name. A - - - - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE READING

2 KINGS 2:1-12

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

A Repeating Alleluia

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

THE GOSPEL

MARK 9:2-9

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE REV. BOB KOSSLER

A period of silence is kept.

NICENE CREED

FROM ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP

**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,
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 THE PEOPLE

Today's prayers were written with our children during C.O.W. (Community of Wonder).

Deacon Lord on this St. Valentine's Day we come before you with our prayers and rejoice in the wonder and power of your never ending love for us.

Leader Lord, Because love is patient... Help us to learn together and teach each other. Lead us through disagreements to understanding. Help us to wait knowing that things will happen with your timing. We pray with love.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Because love is kind... Let us pray for first responders and those who serve others. Guide us to help one another, and lift each other up when we need it. We pray with love.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Because love does not envy or boast, and it is not proud... Help us to treat each other with empathy. We pray with love.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Because love is not rude or self-seeking... Help us to treat each other the way we would want to be treated. Guide us to use kind and thoughtful words. We pray with love.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Because love is not easily angered and keeps no record of wrongs... Help us to forgive others as you forgive us. We pray with love.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Because love always protects and always trusts... Help us to take care of animals, plants and people. Make us wise in how we treat the earth, the air, and the ocean. Be with everyone who feels afraid. Protect those who cannot protect themselves. Let us stand together with people who are treated unfairly.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Finally, because love always hopes and always perseveres... Be with all children who are struggling in school. Be with those who are sick or in trouble especially Mary Lee Hatfield, Chris Jensen, Stan Maupin, Helaina Titus and those we remember in our hearts. We pray especially for those we love but see no longer, particularly Bob Peters, father of Bill Peters. We pray with love.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Presider

Lord we thank you for this day when we celebrate love in all its glory and for showing us the true meaning of the word which is your will for us. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon or Assisting Priest

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that 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.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Presider

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

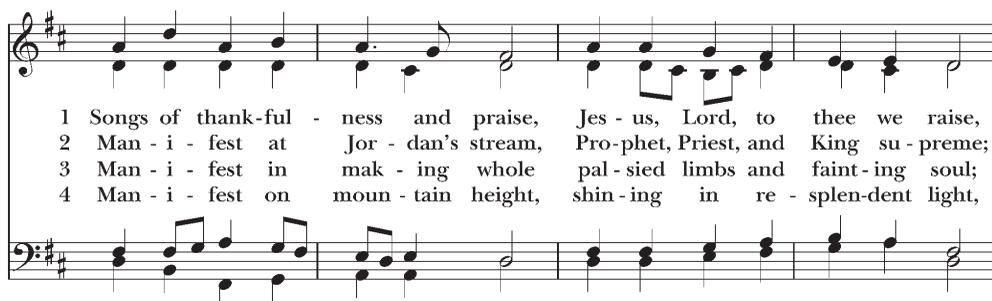
Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

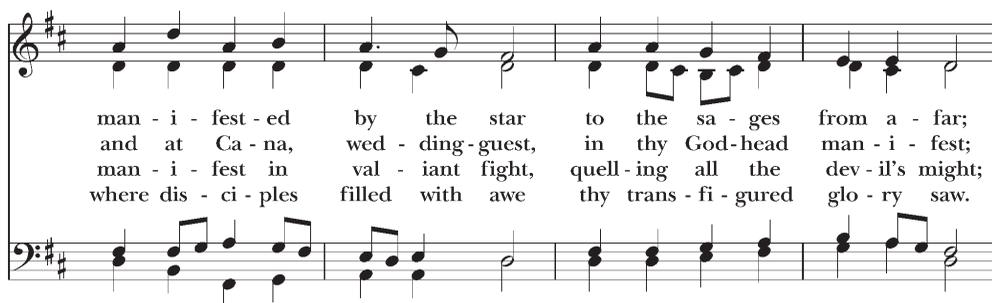
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BLESSINGS

A Prayer for Birthdays

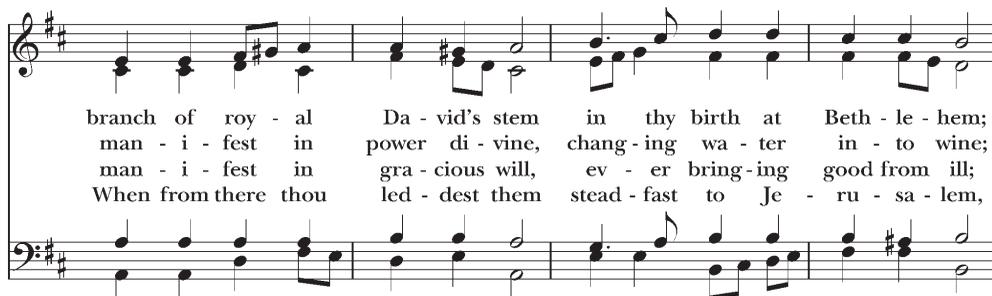
Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



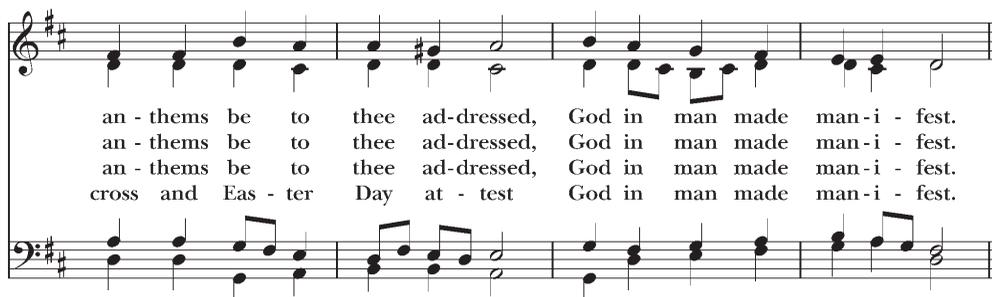
1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
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 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

THE PRAYER OVER THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider

O God of creation, you are always with us,
you blow among us, you unite us in your love;
and so we praise you and we bless you.

People

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, God most high.**

Presider

Your son Jesus finds each separate heart,
he gathers us together, he welcomes us all
into communion; and so we praise and bless you.

People

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, God most high.**

Presider

Your beloved community has met in prayer
to reveal Christ in this bread and wine;
and now we meet once more to praise and bless you.

People

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, God most high.**

Presider

Show us gathered here that we too are Christ's body joined to all your human family throughout the ages in your love. Feed us, inspire us, fill us with Christ's life that we may fill our lives with you. Make this sharing radiant with your presence and send us out into the world to shine forth your truth to all; we pray in Jesus' name. **AMEN.**

Presider

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray.

All

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Presider Holy things for holy people.

People **One is holy, one is Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God our Father.**

Those who have received the consecrated bread in their homes are invited to consume it at this time.



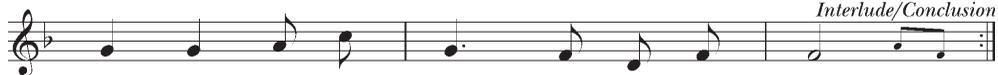
1 Praise the Spi - rit in cre - a - tion, breath of God, life's or - i -
 2 Praise the Spi - rit, close com - pan - ion of our in - most thoughts and
 3 Praise the Spi - rit, who en - light - ened priests and pro - phets with the
 4 Tell of how the a - scend - ed Je - sus armed a peo - ple for his
 5 Pray we then, O Lord the Spi - rit, on our lives de - scend in
 6 Praise, O praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit, praise the Fa - ther, praise the



1 gin: Spi - rit, mov - ing on the wa - ters, quick - ening
 2 ways; who, in show - ing us God's won - ders, is him -
 3 word; his the truth be - hind the wis - doms which as
 4 own; how a hun - dred men and wo - men turned the
 5 might; let your flame break out with - in us, fire our
 6 Word, Source, and Truth, and In - spi - ra - tion, Trin - i -



1 worlds to life with - in, source of breath to all things
 2 self the power to gaze; and God's will, to those who
 3 yet know not our Lord; by whose love and power, in
 4 known world up - side down, to its dark and fur - thest
 5 hearts and clear our sight, till, white - hot in your pos -
 6 ty in deep ac - cord: through your voice which speaks with -



1 breath - ing, life in whom all lives be - gin.
 2 lis - ten by a still small voice con - veys.
 3 Je - sus God him - self was seen and heard.
 4 cor - ners by the wind of hea - ven blown.
 5 ses - sion, we, too, set the world a - light.
 6 in us we, your crea - tures, call you Lord.



POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider and People

**Eternal God,
you have graciously accepted us
as living members
of our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

EPIPHANY BLESSING

Presider

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN #137

O WONDROUS TYPE! O VISION FAIR

1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in - car - nate
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great
 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly

1 that the Church may share, which Christ up - on the
 2 Lord holds con - verse high; and from the cloud, the
 3 man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be
 4 vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful
 5 Spi - rit, ev - er One, vouch - safe to bring us

1 moun - tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
 2 Ho - ly One bears re - cord to the on - ly Son.
 3 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
 4 strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 5 by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.

DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the congregation with these or other suitable words.

Go in peace to love and serve Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Festival Piece

Craig Phillips

Coffee hour follows immediately after the Postlude. We would love for you to join. Today we will break out into small groups to discuss our views about the next rector, the mission of Transfiguration and other topics with members of the Search Committee.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Bob Kossler

Deacon: The Rev. Hailey McKeefry-Delmas

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Video Production: Brian Leckey

Acclamation responses: Jenn and Mike Robinson

First Reading: Virginia Fox (to be confirmed)

Nicene Creed: Loretta Faulkner

Prayers of the People: Peter and Jan Jensen

The Lord's Prayer: Pierson Chard

