



SOTC Worship
February 14, 2021
Transfiguration Sunday

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of light and glory, reveal your presence to us this day. As you did to your servants at the foot of the mountain, send your Spirit upon us. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, that we might dare to proclaim the wonders of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON AND BURYING OF ALLELUIAS

Be sure to have your Alleluia coloring page from your Lent bag that was distributed in the past week. Ideally, have one copy for each member of your household. Need an extra copy? Check out shepherdofthecross.org and navigate to the Lent 2021 page.

FIRST READING: 2 KINGS 2:1-12

¹Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah 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. ³The 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."

⁴Elijah 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. ⁵The 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."

⁶Then 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. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then 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.

⁹When 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." ¹⁰He 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." ¹¹As 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. ¹²Elisha 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.

PSALM: PSALM 50:1-6

¹The mighty one, God the LORD,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**²Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.**

³Our God comes and does not keep silence,
before him is a devouring fire,
and a mighty tempest all around him.

**⁴He calls to the heavens above
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

⁵"Gather to me my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

**⁶The heavens declare his righteousness,
for God himself is judge.**

SECOND READING: 2 PETER 1:16-21

¹⁶For 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. ¹⁷For 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." ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So 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. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: MARK 9:2-9

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²Six days later, 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, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then 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." ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹As 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 Lord.
Praise to you O Christ

SERMON
HYMN

SHINE JESUS SHINE

(vs. 1,3)

CHORUS

A E/A A D A/C# Bm Bm/A



Shine, Je - sus, shine, — fill this land with the

8 C#m F#m G E^{SUS} E G



truth You now bring — us. Shine on — me, — shine on —
-sume all my dark - ness. Shine on — me, — shine on —
lives tell Your sto - ry. Shine on — me, — shine on —



fire. Flow, riv - er, flow, — flood the na - tions with

24 E^{SUS} E A E/A A D A/C# Bm E⁷



grace and mer - cy; Send forth Your word, — Lord, and let there be

INSTRUMENTAL

12 VERSE

28 A D/A A A^{SUS} A E/A A A^{SUS}



light. 1. Lord, the light of Your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2. Lord, I come to Your awe - some pres - ence, from the shad - ows in -
3. As we gaze on Your king - ly bright - ness, so our fac - es dis -

4 A E/A D E/D C#m F#m D E/D



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the world, shine up - on — us, set us free by the
-to Your rad - i-ance; By the blood I may en - ter Your bright-ness, search me, try me, con -
-play Your like - ness; Ev - er chang -ing from glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our

8 C#m F#m G E^{sus} E G

truth You now bring us. Shine on me. shine on.
 -sume all my dark-ness. Shine on me. shine on.
 ry. Shine on me. shine on.

12 E^{sus} E

me. _____
 me. _____
 me. _____

Words and Music by Graham Kendrick

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer." If you would like to add a prayer petition, email it to Pastor Aleese at pastor@shepherdofthecross.org

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the 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 forever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Congregation is invited to share communion elements with those in their family, saying "The body of Christ, given for you," and "the blood of Christ, shed for you." If you are worshipping on your own, hear the words proclaimed by Pastor Aleese as God's Word of promise is spoken to you. All are welcome to share in God's feast that makes us one.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

BLESSING

As you come down the mountain with mountain-like faith,
may you walk on God's paths as bright, shining lights;
may you live in God's ways with faith, hope, and love;
and may you go into the world transformed and renewed by the glory of our Lord.

Almighty God, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you!