Morning Worship February 27, 2022, 10:00 am

*Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit

Worship Theme: Shining Ever Brighter

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude Joyful, Joyful Ludwig Van Beethoven-piano

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Ed Hendricks

*Call to Worship (Responsively) Psalm 99 Leader

Leader: The Lord reigns; let the people tremble! The Lord sits

enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: The Lord is great in Zion and is exalted over all the

peoples.

Leader: Let them praise your great and wondrous name!

People: Holy is the Lord!

Leader: Mighty Ruler, lover of justice, you have established equity; **You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Leader: Extol the Lord our God. Worship at the Lord's footstool!

People: Holy is the Lord!

*Opening Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" UMH #451

*Opening Prayer/Prayer of Confession (Unison) Leader

Lord God and Heavenly Father, we confess that we often hide behind our veils, our internal barriers of stubbornness and doubt that keep us from shining as your children. We want to be your trusting children who strive to grow in faith and love of you and others, yet we fall short. How often we ignore the needs of those around us. How often we ignore you and the calling you have placed on our lives. We ask for your mercy and forgiveness. As we worship you and reflect on your living word this morning, may we feel the work of the Holy Spirit as we come ever closer to you, not because you moved away from us, but because we have strayed from you. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

Words of Assurance

CHOIR ANTHEM "Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson: 2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2 (NIV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God!

*Gospel Lesson: Luke 9:28–36 (NIV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Lose the Veil. Find Freedom" Bill Florin

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn of Response "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" TFWS #2272

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts (Please mail in your offerings)

*Doxology

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Lord Jesus, we come to you with our gifts and tithes and prayers that these will be multiplied to do the kingdom work of your church. This sacrifice on our part cannot compare to the sacrifice you made, your blood shed on the cross for us, but we know that everything can be used for your purpose. Bless these gifts that they, too, may have eternal significance in some way. In your name we pray. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Hymn "Shine, Jesus, Shine" TFWS #2173

*Benediction

*Benediction Resp. "I Come with Joy" UMH #617

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Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for **Wednesday-Wakeup** Devotional & Fellowship Next up: **Deuteronomy 26:1–11, Luke 4:1–13**

Zoom Link

Zoom Link (Live Meeting)

YouTube (https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:

https://zoom.us/j/96540669674?pwd=OEVTYXdILzBucDR4Yz BvdEwvSlkyQT09

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Sunday, February 27, 2022

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