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### THE CHURCH GATHERS

#### PRELUDE

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\***MUSICAL GREETING 462 (H)** “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” (v. 1) The Congregation

**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.**

\***CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on 2 Corinthians 4:3-6)

One: The glory of God transfigures the everyday!

**All: The light of God transfigures familiar faces!**

One: At the heights of our worship,  
may God’s presence shine through the commonplace.

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may God’s presence give us courage and peace.**

One: May God’s light, shining in the face of Christ,  
be illumined more clearly in our worship this day.

\***HYMN 474 (H)** “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”

\***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

**Radiant God, as you surrounded Jesus with your glory, so you come to surround us with your overwhelming presence. Yet, our brokenness is often seen more clearly than your Presence with us. We seek the limelight while you call us to explore the shadows and brighten the darkness. We seek the spectacular while you bind up the broken in countless acts of mercy. We seek attention while you delight in us as your children. We seek to stay on the mountain or in the pew while you walk the valleys of need. Radiant God, fill us with the light of Jesus and the courage to carry Good News into this world you love that your presence may be known in life-giving ways to all. Amen.**

\***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

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and God forgives us because we are God’s children and God delights in us.**

One: By God’s mercy, we are forgiven.

**All: By God’s mercy, we are made whole.**

One: By God’s mercy, we are equipped to serve others.

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



## SHARING IN THE STORY AND THE FEAST

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

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**\*RESPONSE TO GRACE 462 (H)**      “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” (vs. 2 & 3)  
Dark and cheerless is the morn                      **Visit then this soul of mine;**  
Unaccompanied by Thee;                              **Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;**  
Joyless is the day’s return                            **Fill me, radiancy divine;**  
Till Thy mercy’s beams I see,                        **Scatter all my unbelief;**  
Till they inward light impart,                        **More and more Thyself display,**  
Cheer my eyes and warm my heart.                   **Shining to the perfect day.**

## TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

### HEARS GOD’S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READING**      Matthew 17:1-13

**SERMON**      *Gaining Vision*

Rev. Chip Low

### RESPONDS IN LOVE AND SERVICE

**\*HYMN 339 (H)**      “Be Thou My Vision”

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**      “**Acclamation**” Ray

The Adult Choir

**\*RESPONSE 485 (H)**      “To God Be the Glory” (v. 1)

**\*PRAYER TO DEDICATE OUR LIVES**

## JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Please pray for those we name together, those on the prayer list, and the ministries of our church.

### WE SHARE IN THE FEAST OF GOD’S GRACE

## THE INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

All who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and all who are somewhere on the journey are invited to share in this Sacrament.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord of the dawning day be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: People of God, open your hearts to the One  
who feeds you with grace.

**All: Our hearts tremble with delight for the feast which awaits us.**

One: People of God, give thanks to the One  
who meets us on the mountaintops of glory  
and in the valleys of service.

**All: We praise God’s great and holy name.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (“forgive us our sins”)

## SHARING IN THE STORY AND THE FEAST

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**SHARING WITH SONG**      “Agnes Dei”                      Ray                      Katharine Frase, Rob Dreher and Choir

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