

## WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

PRELUDE *Festive Prelude* arr. McDonald

### +CALL TO WORSHIP

God touches the world, and the world changes.

**God touches us, and we are transformed.**

In the bright sunshine of day, in the depths of the night,  
**on the peak of the mountain, in the valley of the shadow, everywhere.**

In this hour of worship, let us invite God  
to open our eyes and transform our lives.

**And through all of the changes God brings, we worship him. Alleluia!**

[based on a Call to Worship by Richard Bott, and posted on [Sharing Liturgy](http://liturgy.richardbott.com/). <http://liturgy.richardbott.com/>]

+HYMN *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* # 173

### KIDS TIME

ANTHEM *Gather Us In* Sanctuary Choir

Here in this place, new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away. See, in this space, our fears and our dreamings, brought here to You in the light of this day. Gather us in - the lost and forsaken, gather us in - the blind and the lame. Call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name. We are the young - our lives are a mystery, we are the old - who yearn for Your face. We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in - the rich and the haughty, gather us in - the proud and the strong. Give us a heart so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song. Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth. Here You shall call Your sons and Your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth. Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is You. Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true. Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away, but here in this place, the new light is shining; now is the Kingdom now is the day. Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in - and make us Your own. Gather us in - all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone. Gather us in. Here in this place, the new light is shining; now is the Kingdom, now is the day!

## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Exodus 24: 12-18

PSALTER Psalm 99

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!

**He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

The Lord is great in Zion;

**he is exalted over all the peoples.**

Let them praise your great and awesome name.

**Holy is he!**

Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;

**you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool.

**Holy is he!**

Moses and Aaron were among his priests,

Samuel also was among those who called on his name.

**They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.**

He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;

**they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.**

O Lord our God, you answered them;

**you were a forgiving God to them,**

**but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain;

**for the Lord our God is holy.**

SECOND LESSON II Peter 1: 16-21

+GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 17: 1-9

+ACCLAMATION *Gloria Patri* # 70

SERMON

+HYMN

*Be Thou My Vision*

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

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WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

+ CLOSING SONG

*Go Now In Peace*

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious*

Owen

# Service of the Word

Transfiguration of the Lord



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