

February 27, 2022 ~ Transfiguration of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements ~ Don Tulley

Prelude ~ *"This Little Light of Mine"* ~ Karen Danke

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: God's glory and love has been revealed to us through Christ Jesus.

People: Through Christ, our sin and death are defeated and we are made alive again.

Leader: Behold what manner of love the Father has given to us.

People: Through Jesus, we are called Sons and Daughters of God.

*\*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

*\*Hymn #634 ~ "To God Be the Glory"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Jesus, you have revealed yourself through the scriptures, our world and our lives. Yet Lord, we confess that we have not always recognized you or your actions and have instead chosen our own ways. Forgive us, Lord. Turn our hearts back to you and renew us with your love. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #829 ~ *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"* (v. 1)

*My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!  
Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away: O let me from this day be wholly thine!*

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #406 ~ *"We Are Standing on Holy Ground"*

*We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around;  
let us praise Jesus now; we are standing in his presence on holy ground.*

Offering Prayer

*\*Doxology ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* (Avery & Marsh)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.***

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Hebrew Scripture ~ Exodus 34:29-35**

**Special Music ~ “*Ride On, King Jesus*” (E. Davis); “*Down to the River to Pray*”  
(K. Medema & M. McDonald) ~ Committed, our friends from Grace Bible Chapel**

**Christian Scripture ~ Luke 9:28-36**

**Message ~ “Brilliant Transformation”**

**\*Hymn #853 ~ “*We are Marching in the Light of God*” (x 2)**

**Community at Prayer**

**Prayer Preparation ~ “*Come and Rest*” (C. Bell & M. McFee)**

***Come and rest. Come and listen. Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker.  
Come and rest. Come and listen. Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker.  
Come and rest. Come and listen. There’s a wisdom deep within that calls us closer.  
Come and rest. Come and listen. There’s a wisdom deep within that calls us closer.***

**The Lord’s Prayer ~ *in unison***

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;**

**and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.**

**Amen.**

**\*Hymn #339 ~ “*Lift Every Voice and Sing*”**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Response #600 ~ “*Amen*”**

***Amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.***

**Postlude ~ “*Lift Every Voice and Sing*”**

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**Ash Wednesday Worship - March 2, 2022 @ 7:00PM**

Hosted at St. Paul’s with Garden City, Rosedale Gardens, and St. Timothy Presbyterian Churches participating. Pastor Joel Puntigam will preach and special music will be provided by singers from all churches, directed by Tim Falk from St. Timothy.

**Our Lenten Bible Study for 2022: Habakkuk: Talking with God... Sometimes with Shouting**  
From Pastor Nate... "As we come into the time of Lent, we come into a time of reflection. And in our reflections it is important to continue to talk with God. But how do we talk with God when times are hard or when we are confused? For help working through that question we'll turn to the small Hebrew Bible book of Habakkuk. Join us Wednesday nights at 6pm through March and early April for meals and to study together and work to understand better how we talk with God, especially in the times when we feel like shouting."

Dates for this study, meeting in Room 11, all beginning with a soup supper at **6:00PM**, followed by the study at **6:30PM: March 9, 16, 23, & April 6. No supper or study on March 30.** The study will also be offered virtually each week. The link will be provided in the *ebranch*.

**Reminder: Thank you to those who have donated to the 2022 Per Capita assessment. Each year the churches in the Presbytery are assessed PER EVERY MEMBER on the roll. Asking the membership to voluntarily donate greatly reduces the burden on the General Fund. There is also an opportunity to donate to the Shared Mission campaign. \$32.00 per member is currently assessed toward St. Paul's 2022 commitment of \$4,330.24.**

**An important update from your Board of Deacons...**As a result of a very significant decline in participation as well as many more opportunities in the local community for more enhanced food assistance, the Board of Deacons Food Pantry has closed. The board will now distribute donations received to local agencies that serve the community, and will continue to support any ongoing needs of this congregation. You may continue to make celebratory or memorial donations or your donation can simply be a gift to the Deacons Ministries. Information as to how the funds are distributed will be made available to the St. Paul's congregation. Donation acknowledgements will be published in the weekly bulletin and ebranch. To donate, please: **Make your check payable to: St. Paul's Board of Deacons and enclose a note with:** Donor(s) Name(s) and the dedication. (Dedication examples: In honor of the first responders. In honor of our grandchildren. In memory of my parents). Send the donation with your check and note to St. Paul's, drop it in the secure mailbox outside the entrance, or bring it to the church for Sunday worship or during office hours. The Board of Deacons appreciates the congregation's generous spirit. May the peace of Christ be with us all.

*In Our Thoughts  
& Prayers*

August Kornowicz, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton  
Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Jerry Stone  
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips  
Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff  
Mark Feely, Phil Decker, & Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGregor  
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz  
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock  
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen  
Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck  
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit  
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright  
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham  
Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet  
MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne; Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne  
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour  
David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin  
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips  
Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison

Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank  
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

**Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.**

ADORATION

# 634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
 2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
 and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
 but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
 our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

ADORATION

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice!

O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,

and give him the glo - ry: great things he has done!

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

# 853 We Are Marching in the Light of God

*Siyahamba*



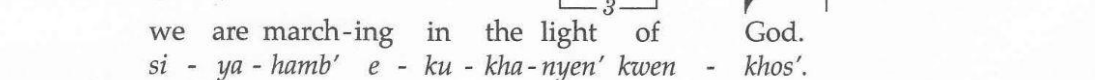
We are march-ing in the light of God; we are march-ing in the  
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -



light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God;  
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',



we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.



we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

This lively Zulu/Xhosa freedom song originated in a Methodist young men's group in South Africa and has gone on to become popular in many other languages around the globe. Some additional stanzas are suggested, but others may be improvised as appropriate to the occasion.

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

We are march - ing  
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo  
oo

We are march-ing, march-ing, we are march-ing, march-ing,  
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.  
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we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

We are march - ing  
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo  
oo

We are march-ing, march-ing, we are march-ing, march-ing,  
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing...

We are praying...

We are singing...



## 339 Lift Every Voice and Sing

1 Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en  
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

ring, ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -  
 rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had the  
 tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the

ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening  
 died. Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry  
 way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the

skies; let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
 feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?  
 light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Initially a poem for a school assembly at which Booker T. Washington spoke on Lincoln's birthday in 1900, this text and tune have gained national recognition and devotion, not only within the African American community, but also among all who seek liberation from oppression.

THE LIFE OF THE NATIONS

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought  
 we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh -  
 lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get

us. Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be -  
 tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at  
 thee; shad - owed be - neath thy hand may we for - ev - er

gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.  
 last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.