

# christ kaleidoscope

### **Transfiguration Sunday**

February 11, 2024

The sun will rise, the sun will rise Bringing life to the earth as it springs from the ground The sun will rise, the sun will rise Won't you dry all your tears, lay your burdens down Won't you dry all your tears, lay your burdens down

### **The Sun Will Rise** By David Gungor

### Call to Worship

Take some time to make yourself present to the God who makes himself present to us.



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### Psalm 50:1-6

- 1 The Mighty One, God, the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to where it sets.
- 2 From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth.
- 3 Our God comes and will not be silent; a fire devours before him, and around him a tempest rages.
- 4 He summons the heavens above, and the earth, that he may judge his people:
- 5 "Gather to me this consecrated people, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice."
- 6 And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for he is a God of justice.

Eternal God unchanging mysterious and unknown Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God

**Our Great God** By By Fernando Ortega, Mac Powell

### Praise Through Song

Lord we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms Our cold and ruthless enemy his pleasure is our harm Rise up oh Lord and he will flee before our sovereign God

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Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe Sing praises to the living God who rules them by his word

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Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

**Be Thou My Vision** By Mary E. Byrne, Eleanor H. Hull

### **Praise Through Song**

Be thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, and I thy true son Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

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Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine inheritance, now and always Thou and thou only, are first in my heart High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

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High King of heaven, my victory won May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun Heart of my own heart, whatever befall Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

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### Praise Through Song

If you are a guest, please do not feel obliged to give. If you would like to and are able:

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Or you can give using QR code:



### Offering

The discipline of offering helps loosen our grip on that which has the power to possess us, inviting us into the weekly practice of generosity, gratitude and simplicity.

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I stand amazed in the presence Of Jesus the Nazarene And wonder how He could love me A sinner, condemned, unclean



### I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous) By Charles H. Gabriel

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He took our sins and our sorrows He made them His very own He bore the burden to Calvary And suffered and died alone



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When with the ransomed in glory His face we at last shall see, Will be our joy through the ages To sing of His love for us!



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# Prayer of Thanksgiving

# LEADER: The peace of Christ be with you. **PEOPLE: And also with you.**

### Greeting

Let us now take a few minutes to greet one another in the peace of the Lord.





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# **Ash Wednesday Service**

When: February 14 Time: 7PM Where: Las Lomas Community Center

We'll be taking some time to prepare ourselves for Lent by looking at how we can reorient our lives toward the good life. We hope you can make space to join us as we along with the church universal begin our 40-day journey toward the death of Christ on Good Friday and his resurrection on Easter Sunday.

# **Sunday Brunch Service**

When: February 25 Time: 10AM Where: Las Lomas Community Center

More details to come, but for now if you would like to sign up you can do so <u>here</u> to let us know what you are planning to share.

# **Directory Update**

Please take some time to check the <u>Church Directory</u> and to make any updates that may need to be made with regards to:

- Email
- Phone
- Address
- Birthday

# **Church Retreat: Save the Date**

When: July 11-13 (Thurs – Sat) What: For our church retreat this year we will be participating with the Ekklesia Project for their summer gathering in Monrovia. More details to come.

# Bearing Witness to Grief: Climate Collapse, Resistance and Grounded Hope

What does it mean to grieve a dying world? At this gathering, we will explore the grammar of grief, the political ramifications of emotions around climate collapse, the connections between grief and anger, and biblical narratives of climate catastrophe among other subjects.

# **Prayer of Illumination**

Almighty God,

In you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word, and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom.

Amen.

1 When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. 2 Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; the Lord has sent me to Bethel."

But Elisha said, "As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

3 The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, "Do you know that the Lord is going to take your master from you today?"

"Yes, I know," Elisha replied, "so be quiet."

4 Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, Elisha; the Lord has sent me to Jericho."

And he replied, "As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went to Jericho.

5 The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, "Do you know that the Lord is going to take your master from you today?"

"Yes, I know," he replied, "so be quiet."

6 Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; the Lord has sent me to the Jordan."

And he replied, "As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So the two of them walked on.

7 Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan.

8 Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground.

9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied.

10 "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not." **Hearing God's Word** 

11 As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. 12 Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

READER:The Word of the Lord.ALL:Thanks be to God.

### Mark 9:2-9

2 After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. 3 His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. 4 And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

5 Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." 6 (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

# Mark 9:2-9

7 Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

8 Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

READER:The Gospel of our Lord.ALL:Praise to you, O Christ.

Hearing God's Word

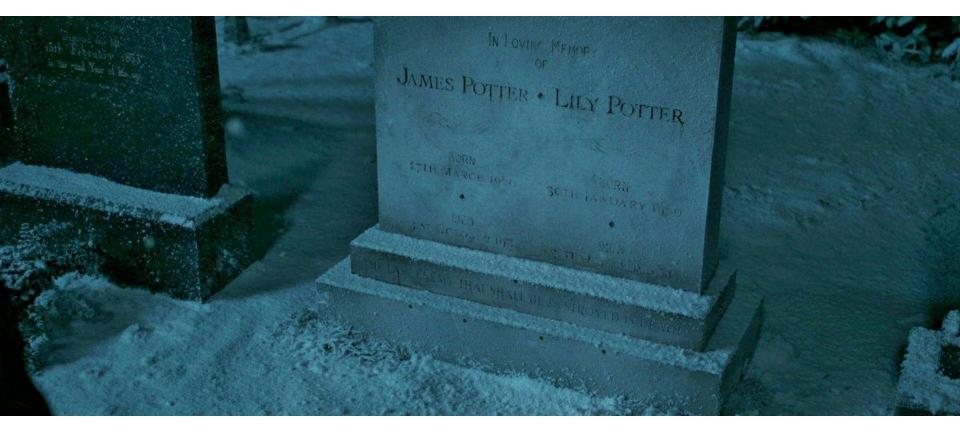
# Faith and the Good Life

Ken Hsu

Hearing God's Word



The Transfiguration Raphael (1510–16)



"The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death."

1 Corinthians 15:26

# Mark 8:31-33

31 He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. 32 He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

33 But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."

# God vs. the Satanic

What God wants for us is abundant life. What the satanic offers us is not life, but security against death. What the satanic is selling us is "you won't be able to live your best life, you won't be able to live a life that's really living, BUT you will have security."

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- Jesus Mt 28:20

## Silence

Take a moment to pause in silence and tend to God's still small voice.

# **Prayer of Confession**

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

## [Pause for Reflection]

We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. **Confession** In the hands of grace, conj

Amen.

In the hands of grace, confession becomes for us a gift to help realign ourselves with God's good intentions for us.

# **Assurance of Pardon**

Since we are justified by his faithfulness, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand.

Romans 5:1-2

All: Thanks be to God.

# Confession

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In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

# **Eucharist**

The term Eucharist literally means "good gift." In gathering around the bread and the cup we celebrate together God's good gift of himself to us. Beholding your beauty is all that I long for; to worship you Jesus is my sole desire For this very heart you have shaped for your pleasure is purposed to lift your name higher

Here in surrender, in pure adoration I enter your courts with an offering of praise I am your servant, come to bring you glory as is fit for the works of your hand *Come receive the* 

## **Lord of Lords** By Brooke Fraser

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Now unto the Lamb who sits on the throne, be glory and honor and praise All of creation resounds with the song; worship and praise him, the Lord of Lords

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Spirit now living and dwelling within me keep my eyes fixed ever on Jesus' face Let not the things of this world ever sway me I'll run till I finish the race

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Take some time (before or after receiving the elements) to recognize those whom Christ has called to join you around his table.

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# **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

God is my Shepherd I won't be wanting, I won't be wanting He makes me rest In fields of green, with quiet streams Even though I walk Through the valley, of death and dying I will not fear Cause You are with me, You are with me

# **The House of God, Forever** By Jon Foreman

# Song of Response

Let this song be a response to what God has spoken to you this morning. Your Shepherd's staff Comforts me You are my feast In the presence of enemies Surely goodness Will follow me, follow me In the house of God forever

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# **Benediction**

May today there be peace within.

May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you.

May you be content that you are a child of God.

Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.

It is there for each and every one of us.

# **Benediction**

A benediction is a "good word." As you go back out into the world may you receive God's good word of blessing on you.

Teresa of Ávila



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