



# Havenwood Church

Presbyterian Church (USA)

*February 15, 2026*



*Transfiguration Icon, Theophanes the Greek*

# The Service of the Lord's Day

## Order of Worship

*\*Please stand if you are able.  
Congregation to recite bolded passages.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jenn DiFrancesco

### PRELUDE

“O Lord Most Holy (Panis Angelicus)”  
by Cesar Franck

Valerie Adelung

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Jenn DiFrancesco

We are called to journey to the mountaintop, and we are called to travel through the valley.

**We will follow where God leads us. We will trust and will not be afraid.**

We are called to believe what we can see, and we are called to believe what we cannot see.

**We will not limit God to what we can understand. We will open our eyes, our minds and our hearts to the divine mystery.**

We are called to admit our doubts, and we are called to live by faith.

**Let us worship God!**

### \*HYMN # 673

“Jesus, Light of Joy”

### INVITATION TO CONFESSION

John Snead

Scripture tells the truth about us, and it also tells the truth about God: “If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us.” Let us confess our sin together.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

John Snead

**God of comfort and justice, we are tired. Some of us are angry, and we are not always sure what to do with that anger.**

**We also know we are not immune from sin. We get pulled toward contempt. We start treating people like problems instead of neighbors. We pat ourselves on the back, and we miss the point.**

**We do not love You with our whole hearts. We do not love our neighbors without exception. We shrink back when courage is required.**

**We are bombarded by voices that twist what is true, and we lose our grip on the truth You have already shown us.**

**Forgive us in Your steadfast love. Deliver us from the thoughts and choices that harm us and harm others. Restore our capacity to love. Renew hope in us, not because we have earned it but because You are merciful. Amen.**

*(Silent Prayer)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jenn DiFrancesco

**Hear the good news. God does not meet our tiredness with scolding, or our anger with rejection. God meets us with steadfast love. In Jesus Christ, God names the truth about us, and still refuses to let sin have the last word. God forgives what is broken. God heals what is hardened. God restores our capacity to love.**

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**



## \*CELEBRATION OF FORGIVENESS # 582

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

*Glory to God; whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*World without end, without end. Amen  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen*

## \*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the Peace of Christ be with you.  
**and also with you.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

John Snead

*Written by Dag Hammarskjöld 1905–1961*

**Great and good God, give us pure hearts that we may see You, humble hearts that we may hear You, hearts of love that we may serve You, hearts of faith that we may live in You, reverent hearts that we may worship You, here and in the world out there, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE

Exodus 24:12-18

John Snead

The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.”

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**    “Write Your Blessed Name” by K. Lee Scott                      Chancel Choir

*Write your blessed name, O Lord, upon my heart,  
There to remain so indelibly engraved that no prosperity,  
that no adversity shall ever, ever move me from your love.  
Be to me a strong tower of defense, a comforter in tribulation,  
a deliverer in distress, and a faithful guide to the courts of heaven  
through the many temptations and dangers of this life.  
O Jesu, my only savior! Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE**                                      Matthew 17:1-9                                      Jenn DiFrancesco

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”

While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

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**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Seeing More Than We Can Hold

Jenn DiFrancesco

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*HYMN # 193

“Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Jenn DiFrancesco

**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.**

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

Jenn DiFrancesco

God invites us to share our gifts in many ways, through prayer, acts of service, accompaniment, and generosity.

*During this time of offering, we can share our financial gifts by placing them in the offering plates at the end of worship or giving online.*

## OFFERTORY

**“Cast thy Burden upon the Lord”  
by Tracey Craig McKibben**

Valerie Adelung

**\*DOXOLOGY # 452**

“Open the Eyes of my Heart”

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;  
I want to see you; I want to see you;  
to see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory.  
Pour out your power and love as we sing “Holy, holy, holy.”  
Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy holy.  
Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Jenn DiFrancesco

**Lord Jesus, everything we have and everything we are belongs to you. We offer these tokens of our lives and pray that everything we do may serve you and bring glory to God. Amen.**

**\*HYMN # 192**

“Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining”

**\*BENEDICTION**

Jenn DiFrancesco

**\*SUNG RESPONSE # 765**

“May the God of Hope Go with Us”

*May the God of hope go with us everyday,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace;  
singing, share our joy with all;  
working for a world that's new,  
faithful when we hear Christ's call.*



## POSTLUDE

“Trompette Brillante” By Antonio Vivaldi

Valerie Adelung

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thank you to our liturgists: John Snead

Thank you to our ushers: Susan Bond, Wende Smith

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## 673

## Jesus, Light of Joy

1 Je - sus, light of joy, sur - round us; let your splen - did  
 2 Now the shad - ows fall a - round us; now the eve - ning  
 3 With the saints we lift our voic - es, God of pow - er,


glo - ry shine: source of ev - ery earth - ly bles - sing,  
 has be - gun: still your gra - cious light is with us,  
 God of might. All cre - a - tion shines with glo - ry,

heav - en's ev - er - last - ing sign. Al - le - lu - ia,  
 bright - er than the morn - ing sun. Al - le - lu - ia,  
 sing - ing prais - es day and night: al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, we a - dore you, light di - vine.  
 al - le - lu - ia, God of glo - ry, Three - in - One.  
 al - le - lu - ia, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly light.

The images of light in this text are drawn from the ancient Christian vesper hymn *Phos hilaron*, which dates from at least the 3rd century. (For other versions, see nos. 671 and 672.) That rather brief original hymn is augmented here in the third stanza by language based on the *Sanctus*.

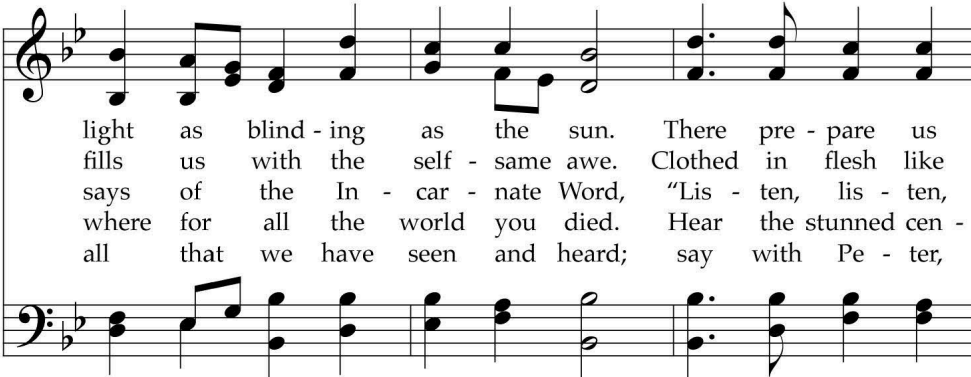
## 193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain



1 Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain, where, with Pe - ter,  
 2 What do you want us to see there, that your close com -  
 3 What do you want us to hear there, that your dear dis -  
 4 Take us to that oth - er moun - tain where we see you  
 5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, ris - en and as -



James, and John, we are daz - zled by your glo - ry,  
 pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there  
 ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en  
 glo - ri - fied, where you shout - ed "It is fin - ished!"  
 cend - ed Lord, can - not help but tell the sto - ry,



light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us  
 fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like  
 says of the In - car - nate Word, "Lis - ten, lis - ten,  
 where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -  
 all that we have seen and heard; say with Pe - ter,



for the night by the vi - sion of that sight.  
 ours you go, matched to meet our dead - liest foe.  
 ev - ery - one: this is my be - lov - ed Son."  
 tur - i - on: "Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"  
 James, and John: "You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

# 192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

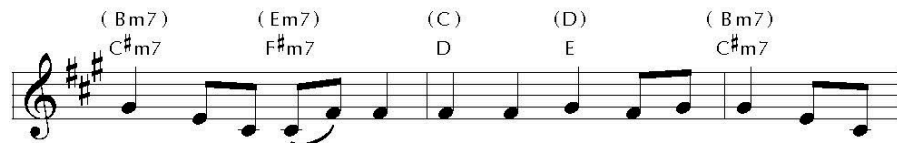
Shine, Jesus, Shine



1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the  
2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence, from the  
3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our



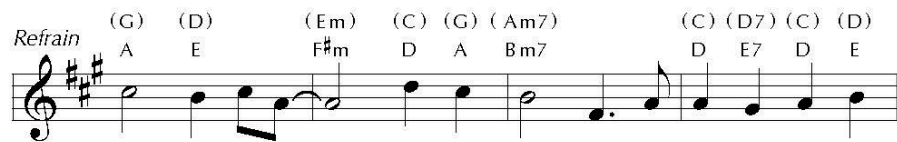
midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the  
shad - ows in - to your ra - diance; by the blood I may  
fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang - ing from



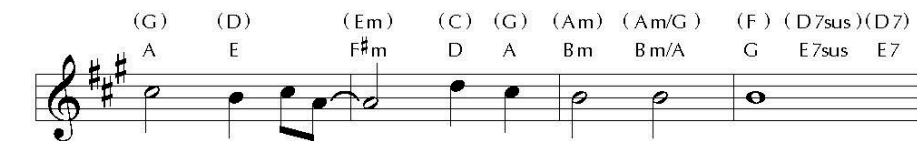
World, shine up - on us; set us free by the truth you now  
en - ter your bright-ness. Search me; try me; con - sume all my  
glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your



bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.  
dark - ness. Shine on me; shine on me.  
sto - ry. Shine on me; shine on me.



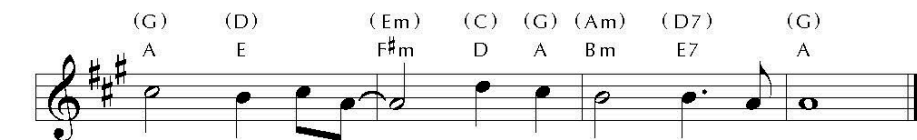
Shine, Je - sus, shine; fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry.



Blaze, Spir - it, blaze; set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv - er, flow; flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy.



Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.