



**WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2021
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY
&
VALENTINE'S DAY**



Good Morning! Welcome to Riviera's worship service. We're delighted that you are connecting with us today in our digital sacred space; even when we're physically apart, the Holy Spirit unites us as one community!

Let us know you worshiped with us this morning by filling out the Friendship Form located on our website's home page, www.rivierachurch.org. If you are joining us via Facebook or YouTube, please check in or leave us a comment so we may connect with you after the service. Don't forget to keep checking our main social media outlets, Facebook and Instagram, for up-to-date information, find us @RivieraChurch

Happy Valentine's Day! Where are you experiencing or feeling love today?
Send us your comments on our Facebook Page @RivieraChurch

GATHERING

OPENING HYMN

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair 189

Capo 3: (Am) (G) (Am) (C) (D) (Em)
Cm B^b Cm E^b F Gm

1 O won - drous sight, O vi - sion fair
2 From age to age the tale de - clare,
3 The law and proph - ets there have place,
4 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray
5 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high

(Am) (Dm) (Am) (Em) (Am)
Cm Fm Cm Gm Cm

of glo - ry that the church shall share,
how with the three dis - ci - ples there,
two cho - sen wit - ness - es of grace;
Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
by this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,

(G) (Dm) (Em) (G) (Am)
B^b Fm Gm B^b Cm

which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah meet,
the Fa - ther's voice from out the cloud
what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
for which in joy - ful strains we raise

(Em) (Dm) (F) (G) (Am)
Gm Fm A^b B^b Cm

where bright - er than the sun he glows!
the Lord holds con - verse high and sweet.
pro - claims his on - ly Son a - loud.
who joy in God with per - fect love.
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This translation of a 15th-century Latin devotional text is set here to a majestic 15th-century tune celebrating the victory of an English king; they combine to evoke the awe and wonder of that moment of revelation the three disciples experienced in Christ's Transfiguration.

TEXT: Latin, 15th cent.; trans. John Mason Neale, 1851, alt.
MUSIC: "The Agincourt Song," England, c. 1415; harm. *The Hymnal*, 1933

DEO GRACIAS
LM
(alternate harmonization, 258)

CHIMING OF THE HOUR & WELCOMING THE LIGHT

GREETINGS

Rev. Martha Shiverick

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol Thompson

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.

All: At the depths of our pain and struggle, may God's presence give us courage and peace.

One: May God's light, shining in the face of Christ, illumine all our days!

All: Let us worship God!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Ruth Gonzalez

God alone is righteous; God alone is perfect; God alone is judge. And yet, this holy righteous God comes to us in love, to save us. Rejoicing in God's abundant grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION unison

God of mercy and hope, we confess we come with mixed thoughts and uncertain dreams. We could not meet our daily needs without the labor of others, yet we take them for granted. We are offended by slight offenses or oversights against us and hardly consider our neglect of others.

We know we could not sense the beauty or meaning of life without your Spirit, yet we have not noticed signs of the eternal in the ordinary moments of our lives.

We have not allowed our habits and perceptions to be transfigured by the glory of your grace and presence.

Grant for us a taste of your love so we may acquire an appetite for justice and a capacity for fulfillment.

Sharpen our hunger and thirst for you, O Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Our God comes and does not keep silence; God speaks to us with grace and love, saying: You are my beloved child. This is the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life.

CHILDREN'S SONG

God Welcomes All

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The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems. The first system contains the first line of the lyrics: "God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;". The second system contains the second line: "God's love is strong and it nev - er ends." The music is simple and homophonic, using chords and single notes to support the text.

This "short song," as the Iona Community calls it, can be especially effective as a means of setting a welcoming tone for a service (especially an ecumenical one). Like most such songs, it needs to be sung several times, adding and improvising harmony with each repetition.

TEXT: John L. Bell, 2008

MUSIC: South African song; transcr. John L. Bell, 2008

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THEMBA AMEN

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THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Carol Thompson

Mighty God, stay with us always, as we worship and as we share the risk and challenge of living out our faith. By your powerful Spirit, make your Message real to us in the reading of the Scriptures and the preaching of your Word, so that our fear turn to courage and our confusion to confidence. Shine in our hearts and lives as we praise your name. **Amen.**

ANTHEM

O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)

SCRIPTURE:

Mark 9: 2-9

Carol Thompson

² Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one^[a] on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings,^[b] one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁶ He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved;^[c] listen to him!" ⁸ Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

SERMON

Rev. Martha Shiverick

'Looking Under the Surface for the True Person'

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Stevie Padilla and Niklas Swords

One: Mighty and merciful one, you have come to us in glory; now we come to you in prayer, saying

All: Lord, by your Spirit, grant what we ask.

One: We pray for your glorious creation...

Stamp out irresponsible usage,
drive away clouds of pollution,
and restore the beauty of this world.

All: Lord, by your Spirit, grant what we ask.

One: We pray for the leaders of all nations but particularly our country at this time when transitions of power continue to take place.

Show the nation your vision of justice,
offer the leaders your mantle of wisdom,
and give the people your blessing of peace.

All: Lord, by your Spirit, grant what we ask.

One: We pray for our world still gripped in the COVID pandemic. Heal those who are sick, comfort those who are suffering, and receive the dying into your arms. Help us to understand the moral imperative to get vaccines to all your children everywhere.

All: Lord, by your Spirit, grant what we ask.

One: We pray for those whom we love...

Bless our families, friends, and our church family, help them in times of trouble, and make your close presence felt when they are afraid.

All: Lord, by your Spirit, grant what we ask.

And now let us pray in the manner Jesus taught us, praying:

For the Lord's Prayer we appreciate the diverse traditions and backgrounds that make up the Riviera family of faith and encourage you to use whatever words for this prayer are meaningful for you.

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO OFFERING

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the light and love around us and the fire of faith within us. As we go forth from this place let our lives reflect the One who is the image of your glory: Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Amen.

INVITATION TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Act of Gratitude

1. You may donate today via credit/debit card by visiting our website at www.rivierachurch.org and clicking on the GIVE button
 2. You may download the free Give+ app (iOS & Android)
 3. You may consider setting up online payment via your bank bill pay program.
 4. You may also mail in your check to the church at Riviera Presbyterian Church at 5275 Sunset Drive, Miami FL 33143
- If you are a member of another church, please donate to them during this time.*

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, ye hosts in heaven above;
Praise God, the Trinity of Love. Amen*

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

You are invited to Holy Grounds Fellowship Gathering via Zoom shortly after the worship service. Get yourself a cup of coffee or tea and reconnect with us at 11:45am – Zoom Meeting ID: 829-1129-7119 | Passcode: 056833
This is a time to reconnect with one another and if you are new to our worship service we extend an invitation to join us and introduce yourself. We would love to meet you!

CLOSING HYMN

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining Shine, Jesus, Shine

Capo 2: (G) (C) (G) (D) (G)
A D A E A

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

(C) (G) (D) (C) (D)
D A E D E

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

(Bm7) (Em7) (C) (D) (Bm7)
C#m7 F#m7 D E C#m7

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

(Em7) (F) (Dsus)(D) (F) (Dsus)(D)
F#m7 G Esus E G Esus E

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

Refrain (G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)
A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

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

While the reference to Jesus as the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) can be understood generally, this hymn is perhaps best understood as a response to the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8/Mark 9:2-8/Luke 9:28-36). This is the most popular of the author/composer's many songs.

TEXT and MUSIC: Graham Kendrick, 1987
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SHINE, JESUS, SHINE
Irregular

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (Am/G) (F) (D7sus) (D7)
 A E F#m D A Bm Bm/A G E7sus E7

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

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)
 A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

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

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)
 A E F#m D A Bm E7 A

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



Thank you for worshipping online today. If you haven't already please take a moment to fill out the Friendship Form on our website to let us know you worshiped with us today and you may also share any prayer requests or joys which will be sent to our pastoral care team.

If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please send us an email at rivierachurch@gmail.com.



WE DID IT! Though donations are still rolling in, we're excited to announce that we exceeded our goal for the Souper Bowl of Caring! Thanks to you, our generous donors, families in our local community will have a meal on their table. It's truly a team effort! Henry is smiling down at us 🏈



**Begin Your Sunday Morning with
Zoom Online Adult Bible Study
Class**

10:00 am - 10:30 am

This is a great opportunity to study Sunday's sermon passage with Pastor Missy.

Meeting 860-148-3445

Password: 2708



Ukulele Rehearsals are the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month at 12:30pm.

If you are interested in participating, please send an email to:

rivierapresmusic@gmail.com



Begin your Lenten faith journey with this special meditative prayer service with Taize music. Worship video will premiere at 7:00 am on our website on Wednesday, February 17, you may watch any time during the day or

evening after the initial premiere. Please join us for Zoom Fellowship Gathering at 7:30pm - <https://bit.ly/rpcsunday>



MISSION:SDG
 We continue our informative and faith-based look at the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

WHEN:
Wed. February 24th at 6:30 P.M.

REGISTER on Eventbrite:
bit.ly/missionsdg

Join in the conversation on Wednesday, February 24th @ 6:30pm - Mission:SDG

Registration required.

Register using this link - <https://bit.ly/missionsdg>



Riviera Food Pantry Current Needs

- canned tuna
- canned fruit
- boxes of raisins
- mac & cheese
- granola bars
- peanut butter

During the month of January with your generous donations, we were able to provide 1,096 meals to food-insecure families and caring for those who are homeless.

Riviera's Food Pantry Hours

Distribution days are Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 - 12 noon.
 Food Donations received on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 - 12 noon.

Together we are the Church!

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