



February 21, 2021

We are worshipping, serving, and living with a fresh vision of God's vibrant energy and grace for all.



## Order of Worship February 21, 2021

PRELUDE Sweet By and By by Joseph P. Webster arr. by Mark Hayes

#### TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

If your vocation, your God-given path, should lead you in the way of pain, your own or someone else's, that may itself be a sign that you are called to make another journey up the mountain, to glimpse the vision of glory once more and to gather fresh strength for the journey. The first thing Jesus had to do on coming down the mountain was to heal a demon-possessed boy. The final thing he had to do was to go to Jerusalem and die. But he did the one and the other strengthened and encouraged by what had happened on the mountain.

~ The Way of the Lord, Tom Wright (77-78)

GATHERING SONG #205 Live in Charity (Ubi Caritas)

LIFE AT FIRST

TRIO What A Friend We Have in Jesus arr. Catherine McMichael

#### LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

The Light of the World shone on the mountaintop in glorious splendor.

Jesus the Light shines on us today.

This light illumines our work and worship as we serve God together.

Come, let us worship the God of love and light.

Amen.

HYMN #196 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

Teach us to know your ways, O God. Lead us in your truth. Look on neither our failures nor our sins, for we confess that we have not always followed you with willing hearts. We look to ourselves for strength instead of turning our eyes to your Light of the World Jesus. Remove our guilt and our distrust; we desire to live under your reign as Creator and Ruler of the World. Hear our prayers:

Silence



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God is fair and just; God corrects the misdirected and sends them in the right direction. God leads us step-by-step on the road of life. Be assured that our God loves us with a deep and abiding love that covers all our sins. Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM/TRIO Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God Meuller

SCRIPTURE Mark 11:1-11

SERMON Expect the Unexpected Rev. Linda Male

HYMN #622 I Will Exalt My God, My King

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

CLOSING HYMN #198 Ride On! Ride On in Majesty

BENEDICTION

SONG OF SENDING #192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining (v. 1)



# All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196



## 622 I Will Exalt My God, My King

Te exaltaré, mi Dios, mi Rey (Psalm 145)



### Ride On! Ride On in Majesty! 198

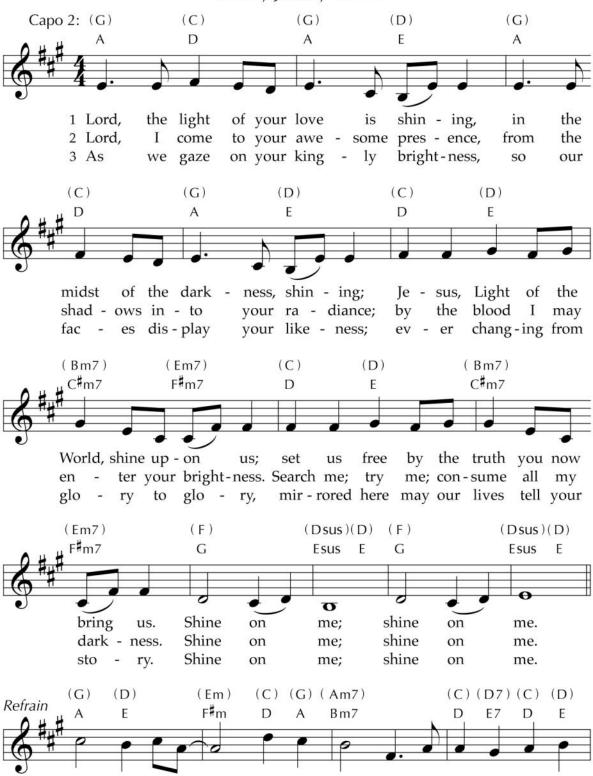


Shine,

Je - sus, shine;

# 192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

Shine, Jesus, Shine



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