Welcome to worship at New Hanover Lutheran Church

Transfiguration of Our Lord February 27, 2022



Giving Our Time Listening and be still in the presence of God wherever we are - contemplation

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.

The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor
Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry
All worship can be viewed online at
newhanoverlutheran.org,
facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch
and on YouTube.

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!

May your worship experience strengthen you

with God's love and grace.

Welcome

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. **Amen**.

Prelude

Came to My Rescue
Nicole Ewing and Lindsey Waltermyer

Falling on my knees in worship Giving all I am to seek Your face Lord all I am is Yours

My whole life I place in Your hands God of mercy humbled I bow down In Your presence at Your throne

Chorus

I called You answered and You came to my rescue And I I wanna be where You are

Bridge

In my life be lifted high In our world be lifted high In our love be lifted high

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn How Good, Lord, to Be Here! ELW #315

Children's Message

Donna Kehs

Word

The Gospel speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

Gospel Acclamation Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
Chancel Choir
Sebastian Temple

Gospel Reading Luke 9:28-43a The holy gospel according to Luke Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were

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terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ^{43a}And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

Song of the Day

Breathe Marie Barnett Nicole Ewing and Lindsey Waltermyer**

This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe
Your holy presence living in me
This is my daily bread
This is my daily bread
Your very word spoken to me

Chorus

And I I'm desperate for You And I I'm lost without You

Ending
This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe

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Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried: he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession God of grace, hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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 trespasses,

as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Sending Hymn Alleluia, Song of Gladness ELW #318

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and \$\frac{1}{2}\$ give you peace. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Go get'em!!!

Postlude Alleluia, Song of Gladness

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck Arr. Geoffrey Edwards

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Announcements

Sound and video assistants needed for worship broadcast and live stream video. Training will be provided. For more information or to sign up, contact Pastor Scott at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org or (610) 326-1335 ext. 1.

Today

Serving Today Head Usher: Ed Becker; Ushers: Marty Hauser

and Bill Allen; Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs

Next week Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Ushers: Faye Weidner

and Jeff Wise; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermyer

Congregational meeting, talent show and luncheon is today following the worship service.

Calendar

Worship Service – Today, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online **Food Drop Off** – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Today, 10:00 AM, Sunday School Wing door

Congregational Meeting, Talent Show and Luncheon – today, 10:15 AM, room 1 (fellowship hall)

Peer Support – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 32

Cub Scouts – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, rooms 1, 21-31, 33, 37

Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1

GRACE Planning – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

Ash Wednesday Services – Wednesday, noon and 7:00 PM

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 2:00 PM, Sunday School Wing door

12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32

Choir Rehearsal – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, room 15

Thursday at Ten – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 33

God on Tap – Thursday, 6:00 PM, offsite

Bell Choir – Thursday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 15

Worship Service – Next Sunday, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online

Food Drop Off – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, Sunday School Wing door

Sunday School – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM – 11:15 AM, room 1 (fellowship hall)

Cub Scout Banquet – Next Sunday, noon – 8:00 PM, rooms 1, 11

Upcoming Events

Save the date! "How the Pretzel Survived Prohibition, and Other Twisted Tales" This is a special Seniors Ministry Program and Luncheon on Thursday, March 24th, noon - 2 PM "Today's pretzels are a beloved snack throughout North America. This wasn't always the case, however. Pretzels were most commonly

associated with saloons, and when Prohibition became the law of the land, pretzel bakers had to scramble to keep their businesses afloat. This illustrated lecture will explore the long and storied history of pretzels, and of course, how the pretzel survived Prohibition."

Our guest speaker will be Candace Perry, Curator of Collections, Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center. Lunch will be provided. Cost TBD - tentatively will be a free-will donation. **Reservations are needed.** A sign-up sheet is on the Seniors Ministry table in the Welcome Center. Reservations may be called into the office or emailed to Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org. **Tentative deadline to sign up is Thursday, March 17th.** Watch for additional details and invite a friend to come along!

Spaghetti Dinner, Saturday, March 26th, 4:00 – 7:00 PM It's time for the annual **all-you-can-eat** Spaghetti Dinner. That's right, enjoy all the spaghetti with homemade meatballs, homemade sauce, homemade Italian bread, salad and beverage you want. But, be sure to save room for ice cream and Pizzelle for dessert. BYOB The Spaghetti Dinner is a fundraising event to help maintain the picnic grove and support youth activities. The cost is: adults - \$13.00, seniors (65 and older) - \$10.00, children (7-12) - \$6.00 and children (6 & younger) – free. Buon appetito.

Prayer Warriors Wanted Pray, pray, and pray some more! You are invited to come pray with us! Yes, we have a prayer chain, but we are adding another prayer ministry. All are welcome to gather together each Monday at 1:15 PM in the sanctuary to pray. We'll have a brief devotion and pray together. We'll give thanks and then lift up in prayers our neighbors both near and far. As Jesus told us, "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." See Donna Kehs or Marsha Staub if you have any questions.

VBS 2022 It may be cold, but it's time to start thinking about VBS this summer. VBS will be June $20^{th} - 24^{th}$ and this year we are returning to day time VBS. We understand daytime is difficult for some that work and this year we are going to offer an extended

afternoon for 20 kids to stay and play in the afternoon if parents are unable to pick up around noon. But this means we need a lot of volunteers for this year. Also, folks are needed to help plan for VBS and to help decorate. Jobs are available for ALL ages and abilities. We need key area volunteers and group leaders (shepherds) for during the morning. In the afternoon we need some folks that will have fun with the kids, helping with an afternoon craft or snack. Do you have a special talent that you might want to share? Let us know! Are you willing to hang out with some kids for an afternoon? Let us know. If VBS is something you want to hear more about, contact Nikki ASAP in the church office or at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org. By the way – youth helpers are very welcome!

Food Ministry

More than 70,000 meals have been delivered! NHELC's Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry is changing lives. And, you can be a part of the team. 1) You can donate food. Drop off your donation on Wednesdays between 1 – 2 PM and Sundays between 9 – 10 AM. Items most needed include: hamburger, chicken (thighs and breast meat), pasta (ziti, elbows, bowties), cheese (mozzarella, cheddar, parmesan), potatoes, fresh fruit (apples, oranges, bananas) and eggs. 2) Donate money through Thrivent Gift Cards, place monetary donation in the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/.

We need help! NHELC Loaves & Fishes is feeding the homeless and those in need every month on the second Tuesday. If you can put a piece of food onto a plate, or serve a plate, or greet someone, or help sing a hymn or two, we could use your help. Meals are served at 5:30 PM at Emmanuel Lutheran Church located in Pottstown. You can sign up to help at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f48adaf28a5f58-nhelc.

Can You Help

Mission Services wants your Holiday Decorations! "The New Year is finally here,

We're putting away the holiday cheer,
And there is décor that you may not have used
Your unwanted treasures would not be refused.
We are happy to have you bring it here,
We'll repurpose your items at the flea market next year!"
Contact Vicki Mutter or Rosalie Lisa if you need help with
delivering the items to church! Thank you!

Sign up to sponsor the bulletin and altar flowers for 2022. Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 and flowers is \$35. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at (610) 326-1335 for available dates and to sign up.

The 2022 offering envelopes are available for pickup in the welcome center.

Spiritual Renewal

Copies of the *Word in Season* daily devotion books January - March are available in the welcome center. Be sure to pick up a copy of this daily scripture and brief message. By designating just a few minutes a day to read and ponder this devotional, you can enrich and inspire your life. *Word in Season* is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of her church family by Lucille A. Powell.

Faith Formation

"Thursdays At Ten" Feeling a little worn-out, anxious, stressed with all that is impacting your daily life? Just need to take a break and rest from all of it? Then join us for "And I Will Give You Rest" where we will take time for ourselves, to be present to the Spirit, and learn how to relax through mindfulness exercises, meditation and other creative ways to just "be still." And to better hear God's voice amidst the noise of the world. You'll find us in room 33 from 10-11:30 AM on Thursdays. Questions? Just contact Deacon Carol!

Didn't get a chance to fill out a Seniors Ministry Survey Form? There are extra copies in the welcome center. They can be returned to the marked black tray in the welcome center. Or,

contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org or call the church office and we'll send you one!

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELC Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. If you need a prayer, know someone else who could use one, or just want someone to pray about peace and healing for our communities, nation and world, we will lift those prayers up! All information will be kept confidential. To request a prayer, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org or call the church office (610-326-1335), leave her a voice mail and she will pass it on to the prayer group. Also, you can contact Deacon Carol to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain. Your prayers will be "delivered"!

"Seniors Serving Others" A Seniors Ministry program where seniors become "God's Hands" There are a couple of service projects coming up for which we can use some help, including finishing up sun catchers to be hung in skilled care units of nursing homes and making new Chrismons for our Christmas trees. There are other projects being lined up as well. Details will be out soon! Keep an eye on our bulletin announcements for updates on this and other Seniors ministries.

Full to the Brim - An Expansive Lent

Full to the Brim doesn't ignore or deny sin and suffering. It doesn't absolve accountability for wrongdoing. Instead it contextualizes our faith. If love is our beginning, how can we live our lives led by love's promises? It reminds us to live fully—as we pursue justice and hope, or express grief and gratitude. And so, this Lent, let us trust—fully—that we belong to God. Let us increase our capacity to receive and give grace. Let us discover the expansive life God dreams for us. Come join us for a truly expansive experience as we dig deeper into our faith and dream.

- Ash Wednesday Worship on March 2nd at noon and 7 PM
- Sunday Worship at 9 AM
- Wednesday Lenten Dinners at 6 6:45 PM with Worship Devotions following at 6:45 – 7:15 PM

"Now to the God who can do so many *awe-inspiring things*, *immeasurable things*, things greater than we ever could ask or imagine through the power at work in us.... --" Eph 3:20

Cemetery News

Do you like to mow grass? The cemetery committee is accepting applications for two mowers/cemetery caretakers for the 2022 mowing season. Applicants must be at least 16 years old (or 14 or 15 with working papers) and able to operate a riding tractor and gas trimmer. To apply or for more information, contact Bill Bauer at (610) 367-9869 or Norm Hunsberger at (484) 431-3622.

The cost of the NHELC Cemetery lot is going up! Currently, the cost is \$500 per lot. After April 15th, the cost will increase to \$750 per lot.

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Carol Buchholtz Yost, Enoc Zapien, Jean Renninger, Barbara Morris, Kathy Campos, Pr. Susan Lynch, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Jeffrey Kunsch, Mary Ellen Jonczyk, Hannah Phillips, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, Mary Alice Mack, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Gates family, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, June Urbassik, Frank D., Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Andy Van Dyke, Janet, Tom Swanson, Tricia Hoak family, Carly, Marilyn Varnum, Jerry Dotterer, Feryl Stein, Laurie Scoggins, Pam Abbott, Holli Muffler, Louise Karns

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

Grieving

For the family and friends of Linda Harpel and Catherine Underwood

Long-term

Garrett Coyne, Heather James, Rachel Walter, Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Shannon, John, Dominic Strock, Sally Kohl, Tina Farrell

Shut-in

Penny Frymoyer

Military

Shawn Dietz, Michael McHugh, Kevin Dugan, Jason Bernhard, Craig Geiser, Patrick Mathias, Steven Kane, William Zearfoss, Will Wilson V, Milton Jack Repa, Megan Fricker, Kyle Woods

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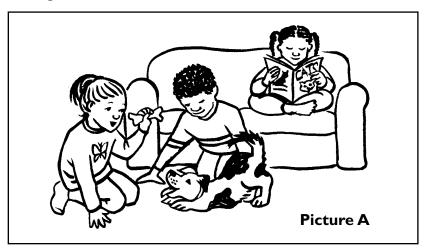
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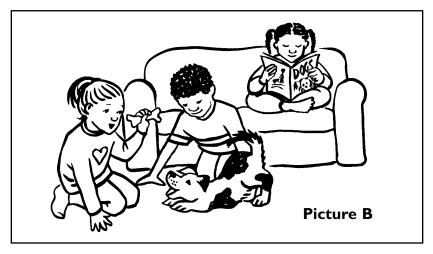
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Some fun transfigurations

Look at the two pictures below. Find and circle the changes from Picture A to Picture B.







Thank you, God, for sending Jesus to teach us about your love. Amen

This week

Go to church with your family on Ash Wednesday.



gather

Welcome to worship. Today is Transfiguration Sunday. Transfiguration means a change in the way something or someone looks. What changes do you see in your worship space?



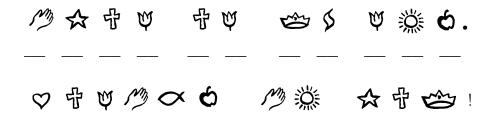
What did you learn about Jesus today in worship?

hear & celebrate

The Transfiguration of Jesus

Luke 9:28-36

Jesus went up a mountain to pray. He took Peter, James, and John with him. While Jesus was praying, his face changed. His clothes became dazzling white. Elijah and Moses, two people who lived long before Jesus, stood with him and talked to him. The disciples were amazed. Then a cloud appeared and covered all of them. A voice from the cloud said:



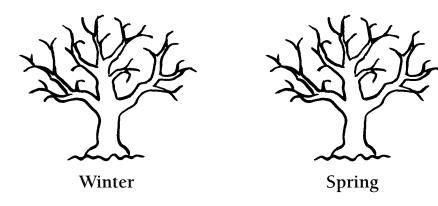
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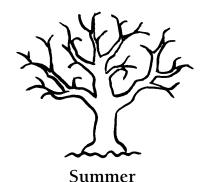
Whose voice did the disciples hear?

Jesus' transfiguration was a sign that he was God's Son.

Change at church

An apple tree changes with the seasons. Draw how an apple tree looks each season. (Hint: blossoms in spring, leaves in summer, and apples in autumn.)







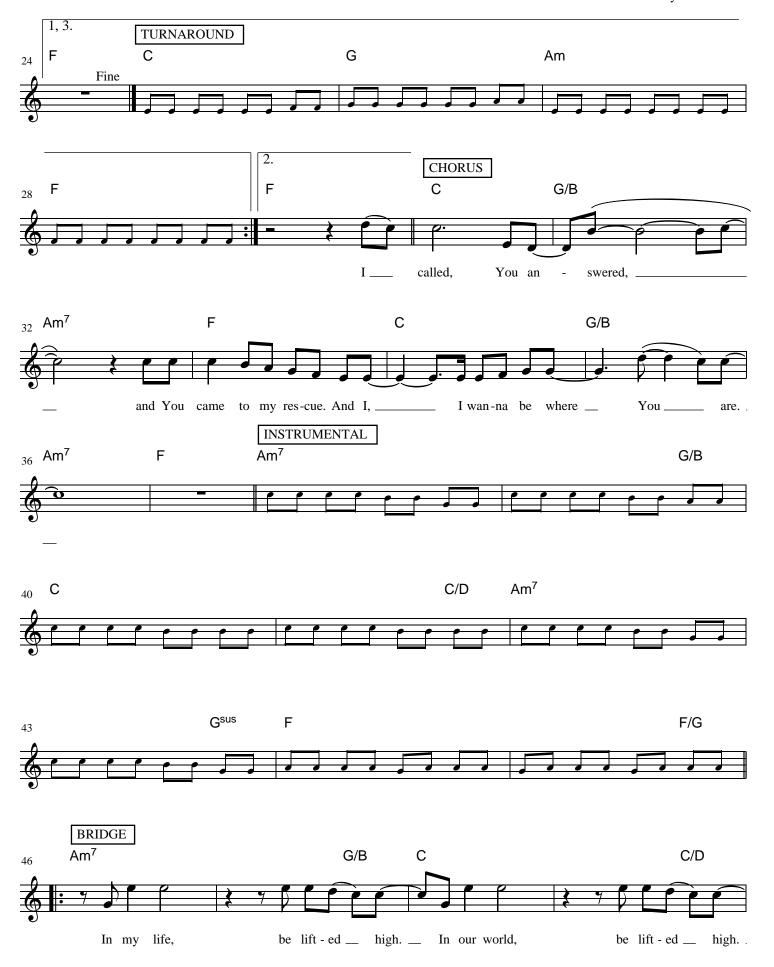


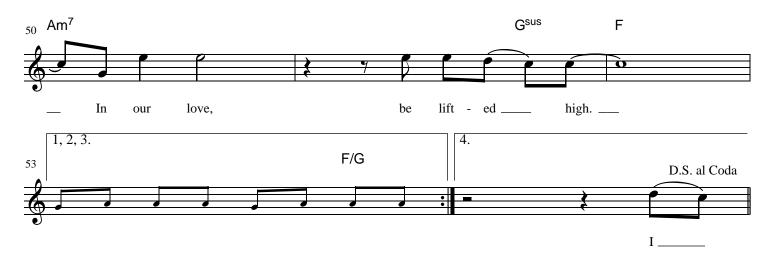
The church year has seasons, too. A big change comes next week. It is the beginning of the church season called Lent. The cloth on the altar may change color. What color do you think it will be? Come to worship next Sunday to find out.

Came To My Rescue

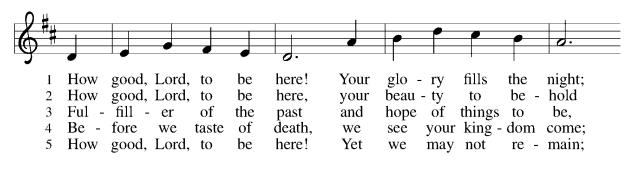
Words and Music by Marty Sampson, Dylan Thomas and Joel Davies







How Good, Lord, to Be Here!





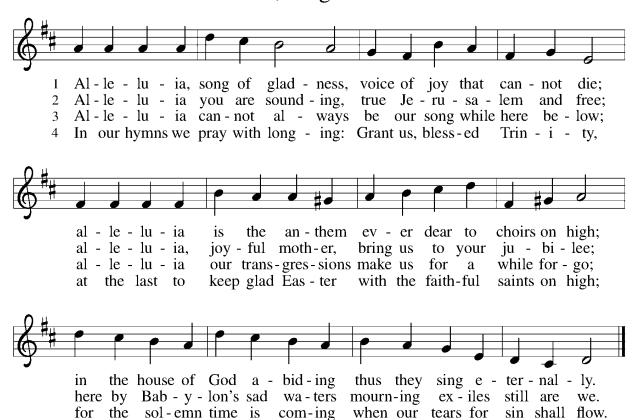
your face and gar-ments, like the sun, shine with un-bor-rowed light. where Mo-ses and E-li-jah stand, your mes-sen-gers of old. we hail your bod-y glo-ri-fied and our re-demption see. we long to hold the vi-sion bright and make this hill our home. but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

"How Good, Lord, to Be Here!" Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt. Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, The Church Psalter and Hymn Book, 1854. Text and music are in public domain.





Alleluia, Song of Gladness



"Alleluia, Song of Gladness" Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. Joh Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt. Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800-1880. Text and music are in public domain.

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