### THE LORD'S OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY 'Offertory' E.S. Lorenz

\*DOXOLOGY No. 95

### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jesus, Child of God, Chosen of God, you shone upon the mountain with your glory. You shone in many other ways, as you healed the sick and fed the hungry. You continue to shine today, every time we follow your loving example. Bless our gifts of every kind— our energy and talent, our treasure and mission. May your light shine through these gifts, that our world may be transformed by your power. Amen.

#### **CELEBRATION THROUGH SENDING**

#### \*BENEDICTION

Pastor: Long ago, Jesus stood upon a mountain, shining with the glory of his mystery

and power.

People: A voice from a cloud rang out: "This is my Son, my Chosen. Listen to

him.'

Pastor: Listen for the voice of Jesus

People: We will listen and look for his glory, not only upon the mountains, but

in our cities and in our homes.

Pastor See it in your own transformation—from fear to love, from confusion to trust,

from despair to hope.

People: We rejoice in the glory of Christ. We delight in one another, and in

ourselves. Let us shine, shine, ever more shine! Amen.

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 'Danish Amen' No 898

A-men, a-men, a – men.

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN 'He Is Exalted' TFWS No. 2070

\*POSTLUDE 'Closing Voluntary' A. Brede

"WE TAKE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD"



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TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

# Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church

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Welcome Visitors: We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us today. If you have questions concerning the service, please feel free to ask an usher or a person sitting near you. If you do not have a permanent church home, please consider joining us. May God bless your experience in worship with us today. We are here to serve, so please let us know how we might better serve you.

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP 11:15AM**

## **CELEBRATION THROUGH CENTERING**

PRELUDE 'Invocation' W. Anacker

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**GATHERING WORDS** 

Pastor: We are here in darkness, yet Christ beckons us to the light.

People: Come, Lord Jesus, lead us.

HYMN 'Shine, Jesus, Shine' TFWS No. 2173 V. 1

Pastor: Shadows of doubt and fear cloud our lives.

People: Bring us to your radiant Glory, O Christ.

HYMN 'Shine, Jesus, Shine' TFWS No. 2173 V. 2

Pastor: Free us from our fears, so that we can step into the light.

People: Open our eyes, our hearts, our spirits, to receive your glory.

HYMN 'Shine, Jesus, Shine' TFWS No. 2173 V. 3

CHIMES AND BRINGING FORTH THE LIGHT

**CELEBRATION THROUGH ADORATION** 

\*OPENING HYMN 'When Morning Gilds the Skies' No. 185

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Pastor: Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop.

People: Help us to look forward to where you would have us go.

Pastor: Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love.

People: Open our hearts and spirits to receive your glorious directions.

Pastor: Place your trust in the Lord in all your ways.

People: Lord, we have come here to give our lives to you. AMEN.

**OPENING PRAYER** 

Radiant Lord, you shine with purity, power, and truth. Your mercy reflects your compassion, your care, and your love. Transform us into your image as we seek to follow you. Use us to make your presence known throughout the world. In your strong name we pray. Amen.

INTROIT 'Holy Ground' TFWS No. 2272

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

**CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAYER** 

HYMN OF PRAYER 'My Hope Is Built' No. 368 V. 1

PASTORAL PRAYER LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE 'My Hope Is Built' No. 368 V. 4

**CELEBRATION THROUGH THE WORD** 

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor: O Lord, open our eyes, our ears our minds, and our hearts.

People: that we might behold wondrous things out of your word.

CHORAL RESPONSE 'Thy Word' No. 601 (Refrain only)

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

FIRST LESSON Exodus 34: 29-35

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 'Alleluia' No. 186

"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia"

Pastor: The Lord be with you, **People:** and also with you.

Pastor: A reading from the Gospel of St. Luke.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

\*THE GOSPEL IS READ Luke 9: 28-36

\*THE GOSPEL RESPONSE

Pastor: The Gospel of the Living Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

\*GLORIA PATRI No. 70

CELEBRATION THROUGH PROCLAMATION

SERMON 'Just Listen!' Rev. Russel Shuluga

**CELEBRATION THROUGH COMMITMENT** 

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

As individuals and as the church, one of the ways we shine in the world is by giving to others through our own skills and talents, as well as through our gifts of money. In so doing, we participate in the great plan of God to transform our world. So, let us give with joy, as we are able.