

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Jesus was transfigured before them; his garments became brilliantly white and glowing with light.
the light of God shines in the darkness of our unknowing.

And a cloud came over them on the mountain, and from the cloud a Voice spoke;

"This is my beloved Son, listen to him."

From the rising of the sun to its setting the Awesome One, the Eternal God, speaks and summons the earth.

**In worship we listen for God,
we express our love in awe and with gratitude.**

HYMN: **182** Bring many names

WELCOME / THEME

PRAYER

PSALM 99 *responsive reading*:

The Lord is king: let the peoples tremble;
he is enthroned above the cherubim: let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion and high above all peoples.

Let them praise your name, which is great and awesome;
the Lord our God is holy.

**Mighty king, who loves justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Exalt the Lord our God; bow down before his footstool,
for he is holy.

**Moses and Aaron among his priests and Samuel among those
who call upon his name;**

they called upon the Lord and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;

they kept his testimonies and the law that he gave them.

You answered them, O Lord our God;

you were a God who forgave them and
pardoned them for their offences.

**Exalt the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill,
for the Lord our God is holy.**

PSALM REFLECTION

PRAYERS

...The glory of the Lord is pure light, before which we stand in awe, yet Jesus comes to us, touching us with mercy and saying, "Get up, and do not be afraid." Sisters and Brothers, our sins are forgiven; be at peace.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

HYMN **"O God of earth and space"** (*Tune: 125 TIS*)

1. O God of earth and space, of sea and fire and air,
Your providence surrounds us here and everywhere.
In fruit and grain and tree, in shelter from the cold,
In cooling breezes, flowing wells, now as of old.
2. Where faithfulness is shown, where love and truth abound,
Where beauty graces human life, there you are found.
Inspirer of all thought! Creative force of art!
The melody on every tongue, in every heart!
3. Wherever freedom reigns, where sin is overthrown,
Where justice fused with mercy rules, there you are known.
Give us the courage clear, to make the earth a home,
For all to live in harmony, in Christ's shalom. *JP Huber cc.*

Story: 'For Heaven's sake'

Readings: **Exodus 24: 12 – 18**
Matthew 17: 1 - 9

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to my feet
And a light to my path

PRAYER

REFLECTION "Closer to heaven?"

HYMN: 243 Christ upon the mountain peak

SHARING & NOTICES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

DEDICATION

**Bless all our giving God;
that signs of your Spirit's movement
may be seen and felt, bring hope and change,
proclaiming your good news,
through the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

HYMN: 547 Be thou my vision

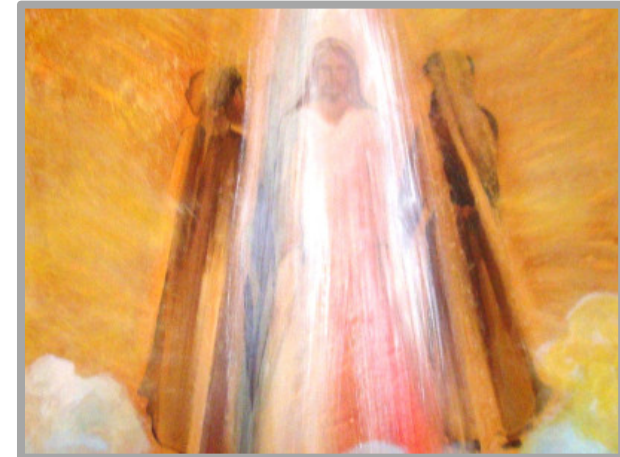
BLESSING:

... Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: **in the name of Christ. Amen**

SUNG BLESSING: 780 May light come into your eyes

WARRAGUL UNITING CHURCH



"Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus."



10 am Worship

Sunday Feb 19, 2023

