

Annual Vestry Meetings

Monday, February 15th, 10:00 am Grace Church, Sutton

Thursday, February 18th, 7:00 pm St. Thomas, Rougemont

Friday, February 19th, 3:00 pm St. Paul's, Mansonville

Monday, February 22nd, 7:00 pm Stanbridge East,
Frelighsburg and Pigeon Hill

Tuesday, February 23rd, 9:30 am Parish of Brome

Tuesday, February 23rd, 2:00 pm St. James, Foster and
St. Luke's, Waterloo

Wednesday, Feb. 24th, 10:00 am Trinity Church, Cowansville

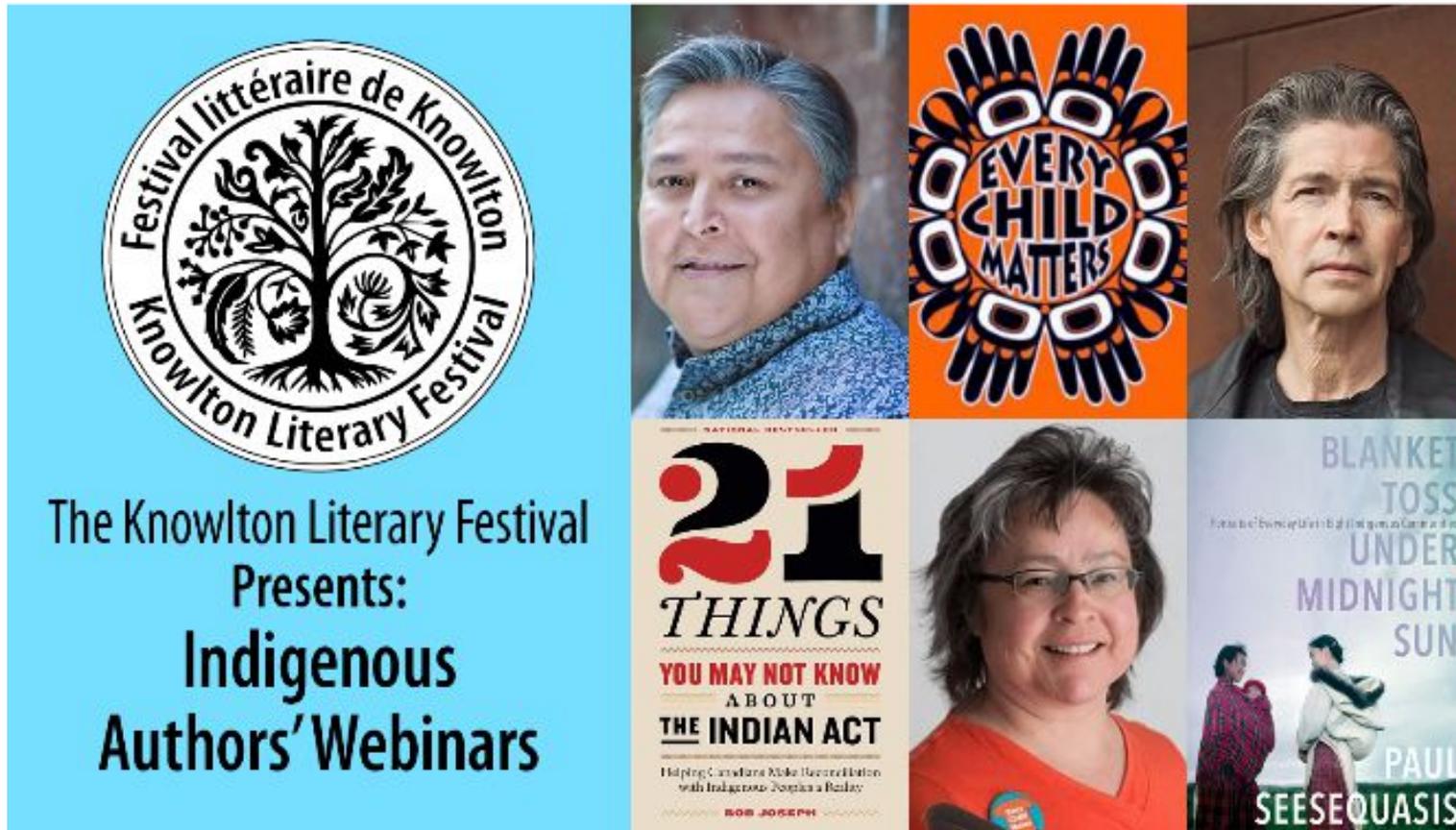
Wednesday, Feb. 24th, 2:00 pm St. Martin's, Otterburn Park

Thursday, February 25th, 7:00 pm St. George's, Granby

Friday, February 26th, 4 pm St. Paul's, Philipsburg

Saturday, February 27th, 7:00 pm St. James, Bedford





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Three Webinars By Indigenous Authors: February 25th, 26th.

Phyllis Webstad, Paul Seesequasis, Bob Joseph

The Transfiguration of our Lord February 14th, 2021

The Church of the Transfiguration is a Franciscan church located on Mount Tabor in Israel. It is traditionally believed to be the site where the Transfiguration of Jesus took place, an event in the Gospels in which Jesus is transfigured upon an unnamed mountain and speaks with Moses and Elijah



Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes and warm my heart.

3 Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, Radiance divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

(Common Praise, Hymn #5)



Land Acknowledgement

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on the lands that we now call Canada; their relationship with the land was, and remains today, at the centre of their lives and spirituality.

In this holy time and place, we acknowledge with respect that we gather on the traditional, ancestral territories of the Abenaki and Mohawk first peoples.

May the living Christ lead us all on pathways of reconciliation and peace.



A Prayer for Community

Perfect Light of revelation,
as you shone in the life of Jesus,
whose transfiguration we celebrate,
so shine in us and through us,
that we may become beacons
of truth and compassion,
enlightening all creation with
deeds of justice and mercy.
Amen.

May our time of music, prayer and
scripture reading, kindle the light
within us, warm us in our
fellowship, and send us out
renewed and refreshed for service,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Church of the Holy Trinity, Iron Hill)



Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by God's infinite goodness and mercy:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us
and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

May Almighty God have mercy upon us,
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Glory to God (Common Praise #702)

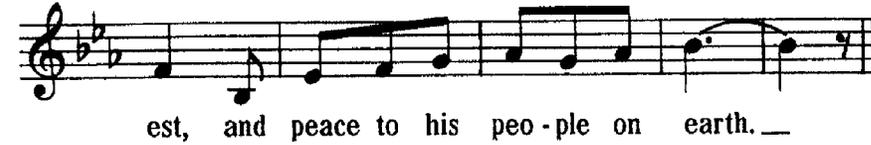
Refrain:

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
(Refrain)

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.
(Refrain)

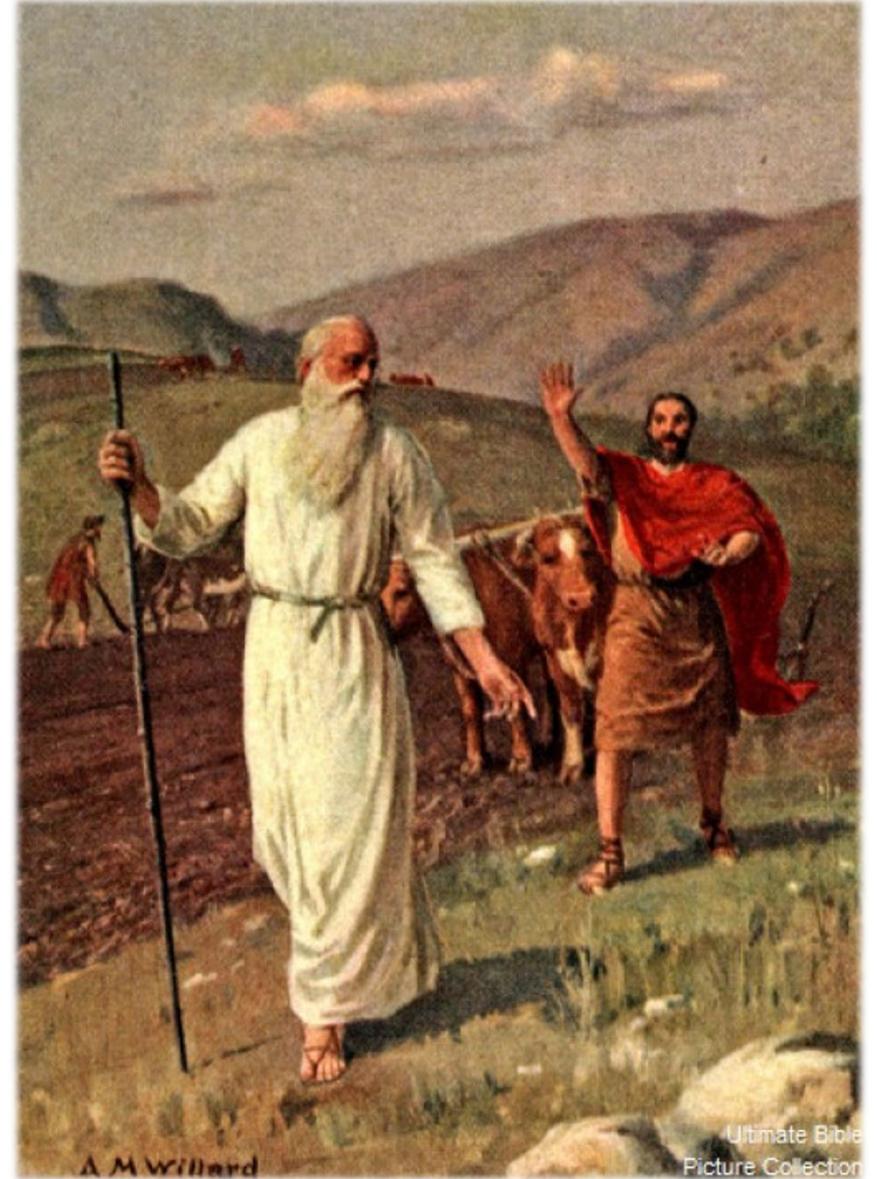
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen
(Refrain)



2 Kings 2:1-12

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you."

So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you."



So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you."

Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.





Psalm 50

Refrain

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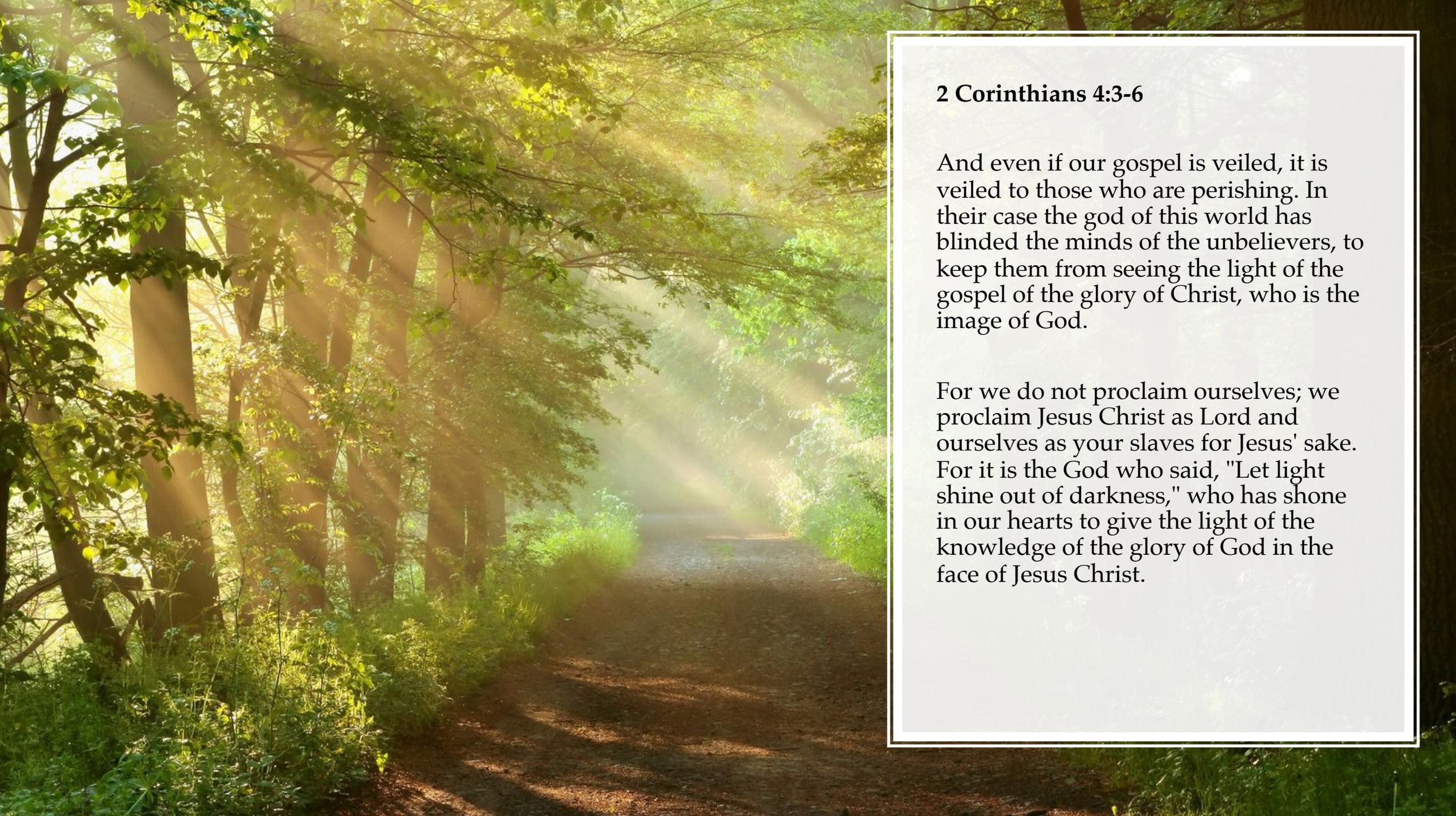
Unison

The might - y one, God the Sov - ereign,
speaks and sum - mons the earth.

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God, the Almighty, has spoken,
and summoned the world
from the rising of the sun to its setting.
God shines out from Zion, a city perfect in beauty.
Our God appears, and will not keep silence. **R**

Before you, God, runs a consuming fire,
and a mighty tempest rages about you.
You call on the heavens above, and on the earth below,
to witness the judgement of your people:
"Gather my people before me,
the people who made covenant with me by sacrifice."
The heavens proclaim your justice, for you yourself are judge. **R**

A photograph of a dirt path winding through a dense forest. Sunlight filters through the green leaves, creating a hazy, ethereal atmosphere with visible rays of light. The path is covered in fallen leaves and leads into the distance.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here! (Hymn #167)

Thy glory fills the night;
thy face and garments, like the sun,
shine with unborrowed light.

2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
thy beauty to behold
where Moses and Elijah stand,
thy messengers of old.

3 Fulfiller of the past
promise of things to be,
we hail thy body glorified,
and our redemption see!

4 Before we taste of death,
we see thy kingdom come:
O might we hold the vision bright
and make this hill our home!

5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
but, since thou bidst us leave the mount,
come with us to the plain.



Mt. Pinacle

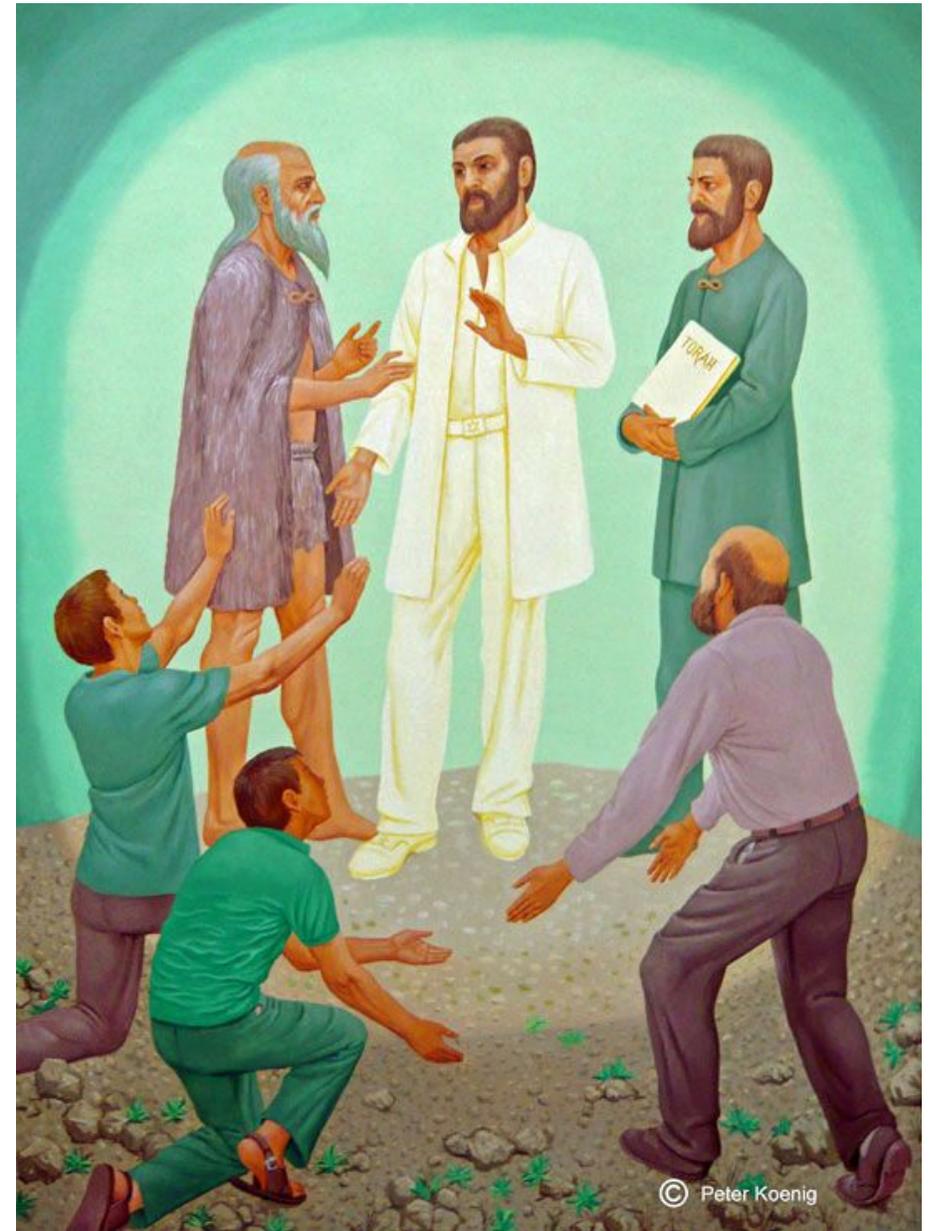
Mark 9:2-9

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, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified.

Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

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 by the
Rev. Tyson L. Røsberg

1. **We believe** in God the Father,
God Almighty by whose plan,
earth and heaven sprang to being,
all created things began.

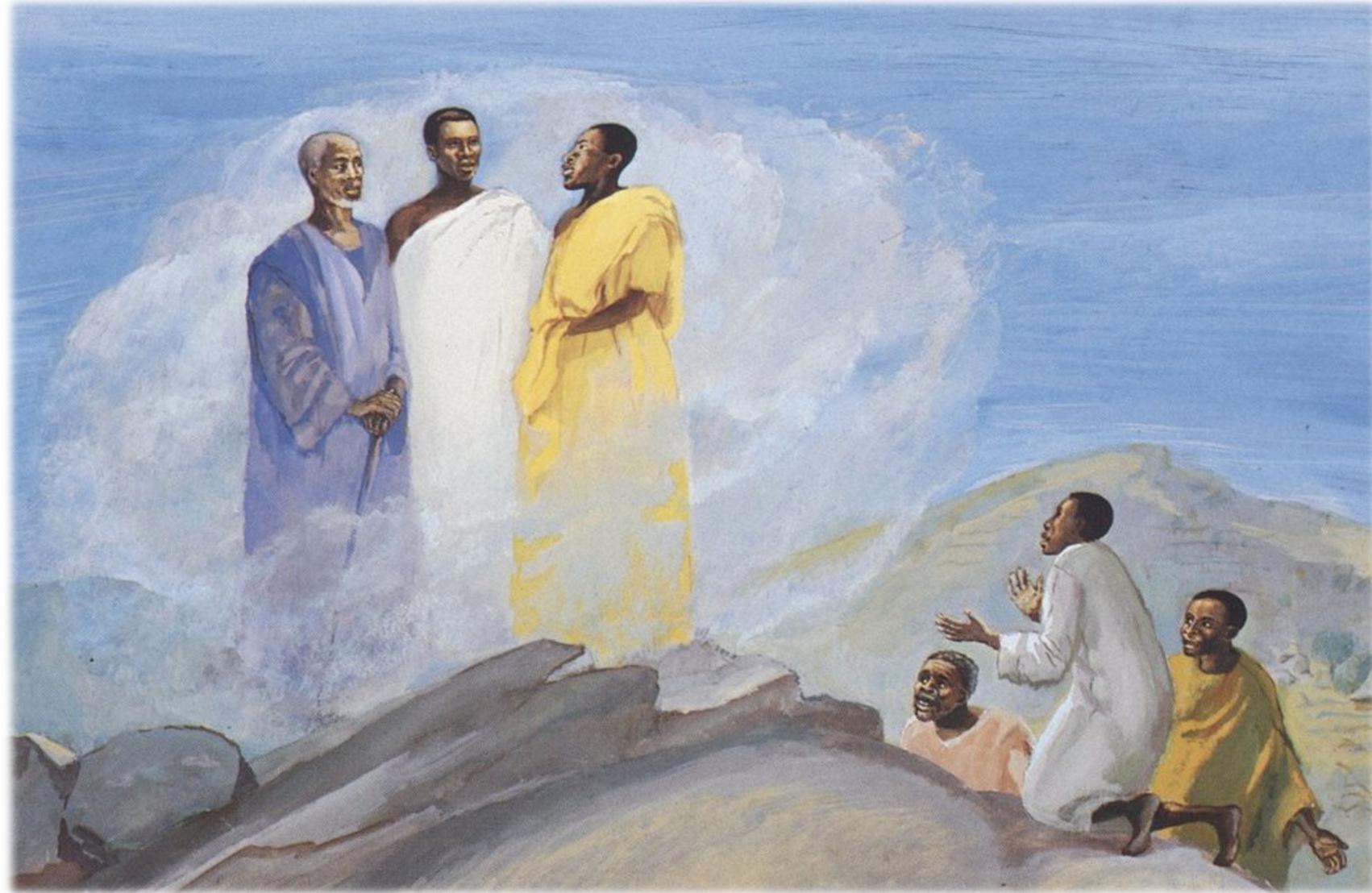
We believe in Christ the Saviour,
Son of God in human frame,
virgin-born, the child of Mary,
upon whom the Spirit came.

2. Christ, who on the cross forsaken,
like a lamb to slaughter led,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
he descended to the dead.

We believe in Jesus risen,
heaven's king to rule and reign,
to the Father's side ascended
'Till as judge he comes again.

3. We believe in God the Spirit;
in one Church, below, above:
Saints of God in one
communion, one in holiness and love.
So by faith, our sins forgiven,
Christ our Saviour, Lord, and friend,
we shall rise with him in glory
to the life that knows

(tune #354)



A photograph showing the hands of several people of various ages and ethnicities, all clasped together in prayer on a dark wooden table. The hands are arranged in a circle, with some in the foreground and others receding into the background. The lighting is soft, highlighting the textures of the skin and the wood. The overall mood is one of unity and shared faith.

Prayers of the
People

by
Wendy Gardner
and André Gagné

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux, que ton nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation mais délivre-nous du mal. Car c'est à Toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.

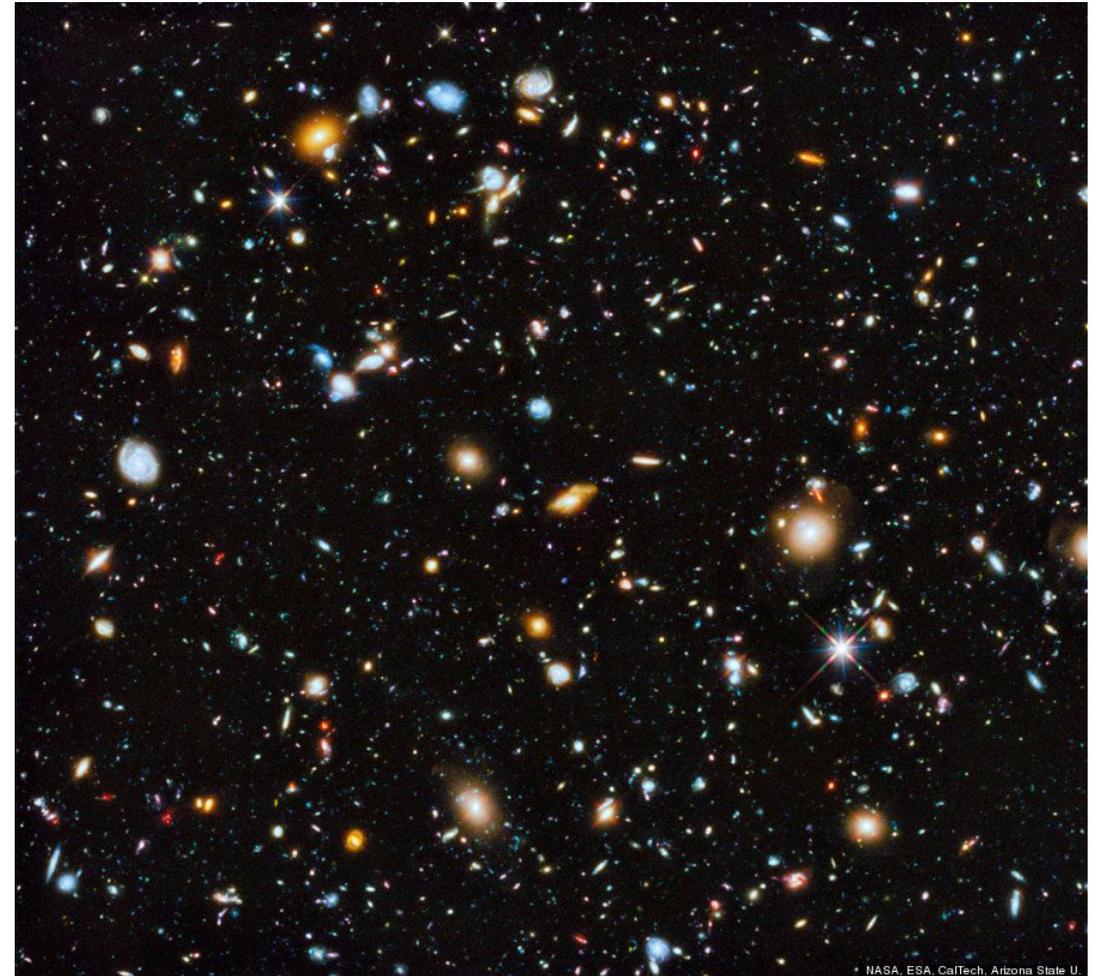
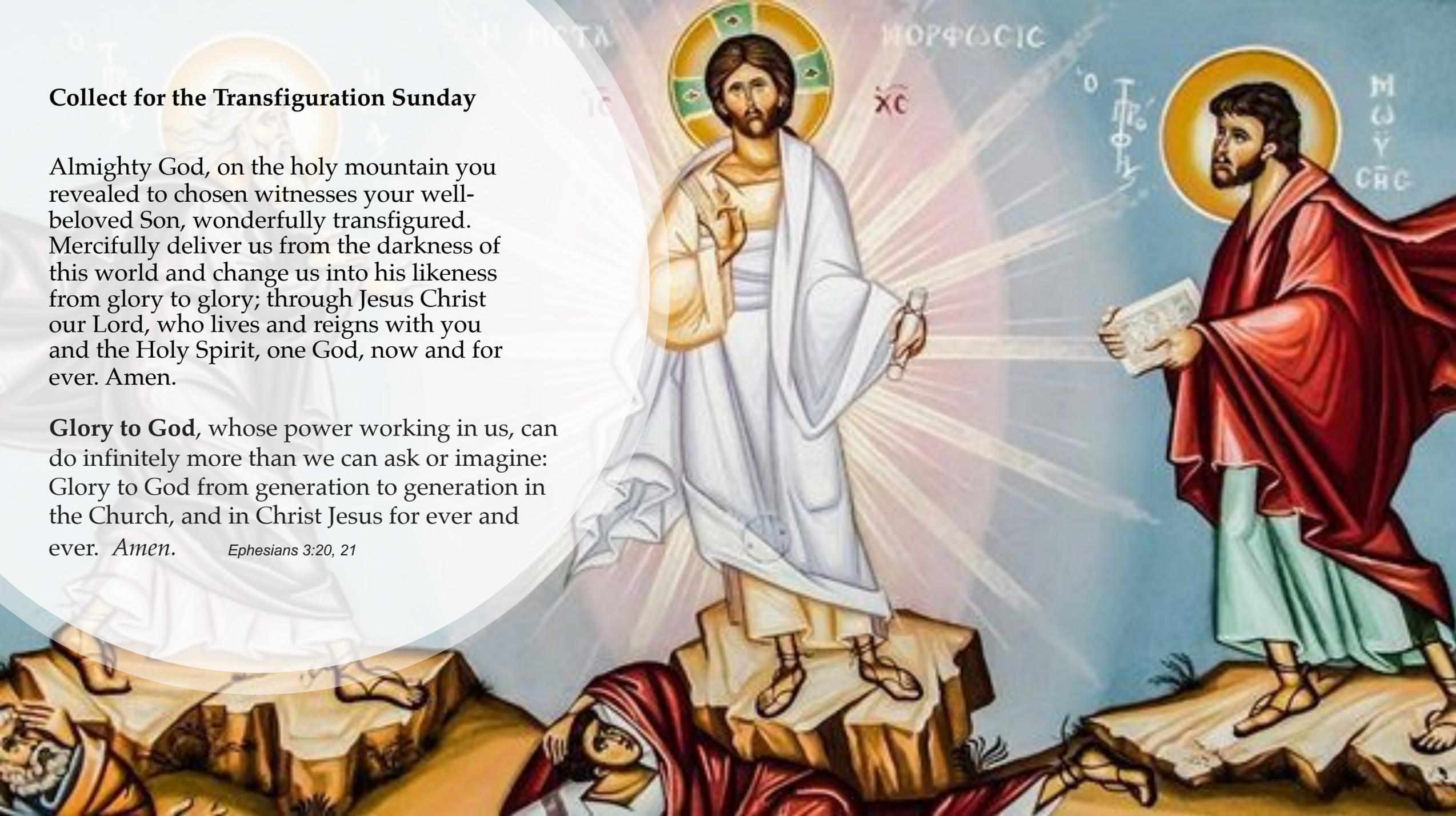


Photo by Hubble Space Telescope – of over 10,000 galaxies

Collect for the Transfiguration Sunday

Almighty God, on the holy mountain you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured. Mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Glory to God, whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.* *Ephesians 3:20, 21*



The Blessing

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
fill you with radiance and scatter the darkness
from your path.

Amen.

Christ, the Sun of Righteousness,
gladden your eyes and warm your heart.

Amen.

Christ, the Dayspring from on high,
draw near to guide your feet into the way
of peace.

Amen.

And may the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be amongst you and remain with you always.

Amen.



Hymn # 326

1 Bright the vision that delighted
once the sight of Judah's seer,
sweet the countless tongues united
to entrance the prophet's ear.

2 Round the Lord in glory seated
cherubim and seraphim
filled the temple and repeated
each to each the alternate hymn:

3 "Lord, thy glory fills the heaven,
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy Lord."

4 Heaven is still with glory ringing;
earth takes up the angels' cry,
"Holy, holy, holy," singing,
"Lord of hosts, the Lord most
high."

A large, white, heart-shaped cloud formation is centered in the upper half of the image. The sky is a deep, clear blue, and there are other smaller, wispy white clouds scattered throughout the scene, particularly in the lower right and bottom center.

5 With his seraph train before him,
with his holy church below,
thus conspire we to adore him,
bid we thus our anthem flow:

6 "Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy Lord."

A Poem For Valentine's Day 2021 by Wendy Gardner

On this special day, St Valentine.
We ask our loved ones, "Will you be Mine?"
We remember all they do for us,
With love, understanding and without a fuss.

We give thanks for family we'll see soon,
And for all new friends right here on Zoom
We're grateful for Tyson, Nick and Tim
Who work so hard in the name of "HIM"

Spring will come and set us free
By then we'll be vaccinated, you'll see
But until this time we'll pray together,
And not be concerned about the very cold weather.

With prayers and Hymns we sing along
Giving thanks for the music of Sarah and John
New friends and old, our spirits to the fore
Together next Sunday, for church once more.

Amen.



Save the Date(s)!



“Pancakes and Prayers”

Evening Prayer (abridged) and a *virtual* pancake supper.

Mardi Gras, Tuesday Feb 16 at 5:00.

Bring your own pancakes and maple syrup!



Ash Wednesday Evening Prayer

A service of Evening Prayer to mark the beginning of our Lenten Pilgrimage.

Wednesday Feb 17 at 7PM