



Transfiguration Sunday

First United Methodist Church of Riverside (<https://firstchurchriverside.org>)

February 14, 2021: Transfiguration Sunday; Family Sunday

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP ONLINE (Livestream): 10:00 AM

<https://facebook.com/firstchurchriverside/live>

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE: *“O Light of Light, Love Given Birth”* (by Robert J. Powell) / Robert Phillips, Organist

TRINITY BELLS / Robert Phillips, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Amos 8, Luke 10) / Mimi Luker, Liturgist

(Liturgist) Come, all who are burdened with many tasks.

(All) God provides a space for rest and renewal.

(L) Come, all who have turned away from God.

(All) God welcomes us with healing and forgiveness.

(L) Come, all who desire to know Christ.

(All) Here we find unexpected grace and unconditional love. Thanks be to God! Amen!

OPENING HYMN: #408 “The Gift of Love” (by Hal Hopson) / All (Led by Kris Lovekin;
Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

Verse 1

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Verse 2

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Verse 3

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.

WELCOME / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER / Rev. J. T. Kim
Sharing of Joys and Concerns

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (UNISON) / All (Led by Rev. J. T. Kim)

Shine upon us with your grace, that we might see what frightens us and face what threatens us. Flow through us with your mercy, that we might sense your presence, even when we have run away, and that we may know your love, even when we feel most unlovable. Abide in us with your love, for your love claims us and makes us whole. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (VIDEO) / Camille Arguelles

CHILDREN'S TIME / Mimi Luker

INTERLUDE #1: Organ Solo (Video) "*Christ Is the World's Light*" (by J. Bert Carlson) /
Robert Phillips, Organist

GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:25-37 (NRSV) / Mimi Luker, Liturgist

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ²⁶He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' ²⁷He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.' ²⁸And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'
²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbor?' ³⁰Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine

on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' ³⁷He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

(Liturgist) This is the Gospel of Christ!

(All) Glory to You, O Christ! Amen!

INTERLUDE #2: #2223 "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" (by Peter Scholtes)
(Video) / The Response Praise Band

SERMON: "LOVE YOUR NEIGHB ✨ R" / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

HYMN OF DEDICATION: "I Am the Light of the World" (by Jim Strathdee) / All (Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

♩ = 99

INTRO F **CHORUS** B \flat C F

"I am the light of the world!
You peo - ple come and fol - low me!" If you fol - low and love, you'll
learn the mys - ter - y of what you were meant to do and be. _____ Fine

VERSE

11 F B \flat C F Gm Dm

1. To find the lost and lone - ly one, to heal the bro - ken soul with
2. To free the pris - 'ner from all chains, to make the pow - er - ful
3. To bring hope to ev - 'ry task you do, to dance at a ba - by's new

15 C F B \flat

love, to feed the hun - gry chil - dren with
care, to re - build the na - tions with
birth, to make mu - sic in an

17 C F Dm B \flat C

warmth and good food, to feel the earth be - low the sky a - bove!
strength of good will, to see God's chil - dren ev - 'ry - where!
old per - son's heart, and sing to the col - ors of the earth!

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING / Mimi Luker, Liturgist

(Liturgist) Dear Church Family and Friends: I invite you to give your tithes and offerings generously to support our church's missions and ministries. You can give online 24/7 through our church's website: www.firstchurchriverside.org/giving/ You can simply mail your offering to the church address. Or you can also drop off your offering envelope into the church

office mail slot. You may also consider setting up automatic draft through your bank. Thank you for being faithful to God through our Church!

(All) Amen!

OFFERING SONG: "As We Seek Your Face/ Jesus, Draw Me Close" (by Dave Bilbraugh and Rick Founds) / All (Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

As we seek Your face, may we know Your heart; Feel Your presence, acceptance, as we seek Your face. Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to You. Let the world around me fade away. Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to You. For I desire to worship and obey.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (UNISON) / All (Led by Mimi Luker, Liturgist)

Source of all that is, we offer these gifts to you. We give what we can and ask that you bless and multiply our offering, so that our brothers and sisters near and far may know your abundant love and your tender mercy. We also offer you our very selves. Through our lives, may people everywhere come to know the glory and wisdom we have found in Christ. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: #2173 "Shine, Jesus, Shine" (by Graham Kendrick) / All (Led by Kris Lovekin; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

Chorus

Shine, Jesus, shine

Fill this land

With the Father's glory,

Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire;
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations
With grace and mercy,
Send forth Your word, Lord,
And let there be light.

Verse 1

Lord, the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth You now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Verse 2

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Verse 3

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
So our faces display Your likeness;
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

BENEDICTION / Rev. J. T. Kim

POSTLUDE: *"Fanfare: Shine, Jesus, Shine"* (by Christopher Tambling) / Robert Phillips,
Organist

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