

With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones, where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love by word and deed to all people. Based on I Peter 2:5, 6

Gathering Music

Prelude "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" Cynthia Griesedieck

arr. Cindy Berry

Welcome Christian McIvor

† Call to Worship

One: It is easy to stand here in the valley of our comfort.

All: We know what to expect and what is expected of us.

One: But Christ calls us to the mountain top to receive a new vision.

All: We are not sure we are ready for that.

One: Even so, we place our hope and trust in Christ, for he is our guide.

All: Let us open our hearts to Christ, ready for the vision he places before us. Amen.

† Opening Song

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Verse 1:

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.

Open the eyes of my heart;

I want to see you;

I want to see you;

(Repeat Verse 1)

Chorus:

To see you high and lifted up, Shining in the light of your glory. Pour out your power and love

As we sing "Holy, holy, holy."

(Verse 1, 2x) (Chorus)

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Verse 2: Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you. (Repeat Verse 2) (Chorus, 2x) (Verse 2, 2x)

During the last stanza of our Opening Song, all children are invited to come forward for today's children's sermon.

Children's Sermon

Elizabeth Santana

Pastoral Prayer

Steve Rose

Offertory Anthem

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

By Graham Kendrick, arr. Tom Fettke

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.

Refrain:

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.

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.

(Refrain)

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.

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(Refrain)

Let there be light. Shine, Jesus, shine!

† Doxology 817

"O Bless the Gifts"

LAMB OF GOD; Words by Samuel Longfellow, alt., Music by Twila Paris

O bless the gifts our hands have brought; And bless the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; The rest, O God, is in Your hand.

† Prayer of Dedication

Carla LeNoir

Scripture Reading

Matthew 16:24-17:8

Delaney Metcalf

Sermon

It is good for us to be here...

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Silent Reflection

Invitation

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

† Musical Response

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

KELVINGROVE;

Words by John L. Bell and Graham Maule, Scottish Melody arr. John L. Bell

(See words and music on next page)

Celebrating Community

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Benediction

Postlude

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

arr. Matt Libaugh

Pam Weis

Will You Come and Follow Me



- 1 "Will you come and fol low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same? Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same? Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same? Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same? Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known; Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen, Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round, In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



will life be grown in you and you me?" you let my in an - swer prayer in you and you Will vou let me in me?" ad - mit to what I mean in you and you and me?" in through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?" Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you me.

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