

OFFERING

Many in our community give their tithes and offerings online (rescov.org/give) and yet we believe it is still good and right to give God thanks as part of our worship. If you have offering this morning you are welcome to place it in the basket in the center aisle as we give God thanks.

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

As we continue to navigate the implications of Covid we invite you to come down the center aisle, receive the bread and then proceed to the front side aisles to partake of the cup which is in individual portions. Place your empty cups in one of the baskets that can be found on the end-seats in the front rows of the side aisles.

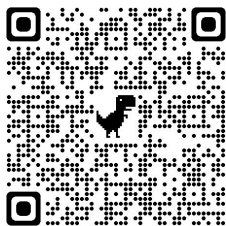
SENDING

SONG* - Arise, Your Light Is Come (#194)

CHARGE & BLESSING*

*Stand, as you are able

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GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP* (Based on Isaiah 60)

Arise, shine, for your light has come!

The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

Let us praise the Lord together.

The sun shall no longer be our light by day,

nor will the brightness of the moon shine on us,

for the Lord will be our light,

and our God will be our glory.

The Lord will be our everlasting light,

and our days of sorrow will end.

Come, let us sing to our light and salvation!

SONG* - Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of God is on you.
Arise, see when the earth grows dark
that the Lord will arise upon you,
the the Lord will arise upon you.

Refrain:

Nations will come to your light,
lift up your eyes and see,
we'll gather together and come to you,
and your love will be all that we know,
your love will be all that we know.

Arise, come to the open gates
for the Father is welcoming you.
Fear not, for the Lord brings peace
and redemption to all who believe,
and redemption to all who believe.

Bridge:

The Sun will not shine
cause you'll be all the light that we need.
And violence will end
all the wars that we wage will cease.
We will glorify your name,
we will glorify your name.

SONG* - Jyothi Dho

Jyothi dho,
jyothi dho,
jyothi dho Prabhu.

Give us light,
give us light,
give us light, O Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of light and darkness,
we have seen the glimmer of your star-light beckoning to us,
but we have turned away
and followed other paths.
We confess that we have not loved you
with all our heart,
with all our soul,
with all our mind,
and with all our strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Forgive us, Holy One.
Strengthen our faltering steps
and guide us in your holy way of peace. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends believe the good news of the Gospel;
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

SONG* - Your Glory Appears

You gave me hope,
you made me whole at the cross.
Author of love,
you showed me grace
at the cross where you died for me.

And your glory appears
like the light from the sun.
Age to age you shine.
Oh, look to the skies,
hear the angels cries,
singing, "Holy is the Lord."

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

GOSPEL LESSON*

Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON

Wonder Held in Tension

Kat Fredericks

RESPONSE

HYMN* - As with Gladness Men of Old (#192)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER