

# SJUMC Online Worship Guide

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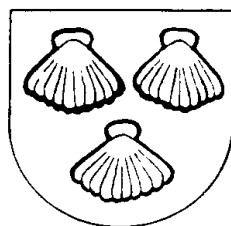
**February 14, 2021**

**“Love’s Light Shines”**

**9:30AM ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE**

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**Saint James**  
**United Methodist Church**  
Marriottsville, MD

# WE GATHER

## Welcome and Preparation

*Rev. Patricia Abell*

## Prelude

"I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light" (arr. Wayne Wold)  
*offered by Clarice Snyder, organist*

1998 Augsburg Fortress

## Call to Worship

*Donna Benson, Liturgist*

Leader: From the rising to the setting sun.

**All: Forever God is faithful!**

Leader: For God is good and is above all things.

**All: God's love endures forever!**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and sing praise..

**All: Forever God is faithful!**

## Opening Hymn

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

*UMH 203*

### Verse 1

Hail to the Lord's anointed  
Great David's greater Son  
Hail in the time appointed  
His reign on earth begun  
He comes to break oppression  
To set the captive free  
To take away transgression  
And rule in equity

### Verse 3

He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth  
Love joy and hope like flowers  
Spring in his path to birth  
Before him on the mountains  
Shall peace the herald go  
And righteousness in fountains  
From hill to valley flow

### Verse 2

He comes with succor speedy  
to those who suffer wrong  
to help the poor and needy  
And bid the weak be strong  
To give them songs for sighing  
Their darkness turn to light  
Whose souls condemned and dying  
Are precious in his sight

### Verse 4

To him shall prayer unceasing  
And daily vows ascend  
His kingdom still increasing  
A kingdom without end  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove  
His name shall stand forever  
That name to us is love

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## Opening Prayer

*Donna Benson, Liturgist*

**Holy God, gather us among your faithful ones, the people of your covenant, to stand in the light of your glory. Open our minds and hearts; help us listen to Jesus Christ, our savior. Guide, empower, and encourage us with your Spirit, as we seek to minister to the world. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.**

# WE PROCLAIM

**Children's Time to Shine**

**The Story of Valentine**

**Rev. Patricia Abell**

**"This Little Light of Mine"**

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**Scripture**

**2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 (CEB)**

**Donna Benson, Liturgist**

<sup>3</sup> And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are on the road to destruction. <sup>4</sup> The god of this age has blinded the minds of those who don't have faith so they couldn't see the light of the gospel that reveals Christ's glory. Christ is the image of God.

<sup>5</sup> We don't preach about ourselves. Instead, we preach about Jesus Christ as Lord, and we describe ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup> God said that light should shine out of the darkness. He is the same one who shone in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

**Scripture**

**Mark 9: 2-9 (CEB)**

**Donna Benson, Liturgist**

<sup>2</sup> Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and brought them to the top of a very high mountain where they were alone. He was transformed in front of them, <sup>3</sup> and his clothes were amazingly bright, brighter than if they had been bleached white. <sup>4</sup> Elijah and Moses appeared and were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Peter reacted to all of this by saying to Jesus, "Rabbi, it's good that we're here. Let's make three shrines—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup> He said this because he didn't know how to respond, for the three of them were terrified.

<sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice spoke from the cloud, "This is my Son, whom I dearly love. Listen to him!" <sup>8</sup> Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them not to tell anyone what they had seen until after the Human One<sup>[a]</sup> had risen from the dead.

**Hymn**

**"We Come At Christ's Own Bidding"**

**TFWS 2103**

**Verse 1**

We have come at Christ's own bidding  
To this high and holy place  
Where we wait with hope and longing  
For some token of God's grace  
Here we pray for new assurance  
That our faith is not in vain  
Searching like those first disciples  
For a sign both clear and plain

**Verse 2**

Light breaks through our clouds and shadows  
Splendor bathes the flesh joined Word  
Moses and Elijah marvel  
As the heavenly voice is heard  
Eyes and hearts behold with wonder  
How the Law and Prophets meet  
Christ with garments drenched in brightness  
Stands transfigured and complete

### Verse 3

Strengthened by this glimpse of glory  
Fearful lest our faith decline  
We like Peter find it tempting  
To remain and build a shrine  
But true worship gives us courage  
To proclaim what we profess  
That our daily lives may prove  
Us people of the God we bless

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**Message**

“Love’s Light Shines”

**Rev. Patricia Abell**

### WE RESPOND

**Prayers for God’s People, the Church and the World**

Share your prayer requests at [pastor.saintjames@verizon.net](mailto:pastor.saintjames@verizon.net) or [stjamessec@verizon.net](mailto:stjamessec@verizon.net)

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Offering/Mission Moment**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**UMH 95**

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

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### WE GO FORTH

**Closing Hymn**

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”

**UMH 703**

**Chorus**

**Verse 1**

Swing low sweet chariot  
Comin' for to carry me home

I looked over Jordan and what did I see  
Coming for to carry me home

Swing low sweet chariot  
Comin' for to carry me home

### Verse 2

If you get there before I do  
Comin' for to carry me home  
Tell all my friends I'm comin' too  
Comin' for to carry me home  
**Chorus**

A band of angels coming after me  
Coming for to carry me home  
**Chorus**

### Verse 3

I'm sometimes up I'm sometimes down  
Comin' for to carry me home  
But still my soul feels heavenly bound  
Comin' for to carry me home  
**Chorus**

### Verse 4

The brightest day that I can say  
Comin' for to carry me home  
When Jesus washed my sins away  
Comin' for to carry me home  
**Chorus**

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 703*  
**Text:** Afro-American spiritual (2 King 2:11)  
**Music:** Afro-American spiritual; adapt. and arr. by William Farley Smith, 1987  
**Tune:** SWING LOW, **Meter:** 10 8.10 8 with Refrain

### Benediction

**Rev. Patricia Abell**

Leader: Go forth with the courage to climb the mountain of God.

**All: We will walk in the light and truth of Christ.**

Leader: Go forth with ears to hear the voice of God.

**All: We will hear the call to follow Jesus.**

Leader: Go forth to live as people who shine with Christ's glory.

**All: We will leave footprints of light as we walk.**

Leader: Go forth sharing faith, offering prayer, and gathering hope, for God is with us. +

### Postlude

"Toccatina in F Minor (Johann Pachelbel)  
**offered by Clarice Snyder, organist**

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