



# Faith Lutheran Church

***Faithfully Growing, Welcoming,  
and Caring through Christ***



**Transfiguration of Our Lord  
February 11, 2018**

***Scout Sunday***



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

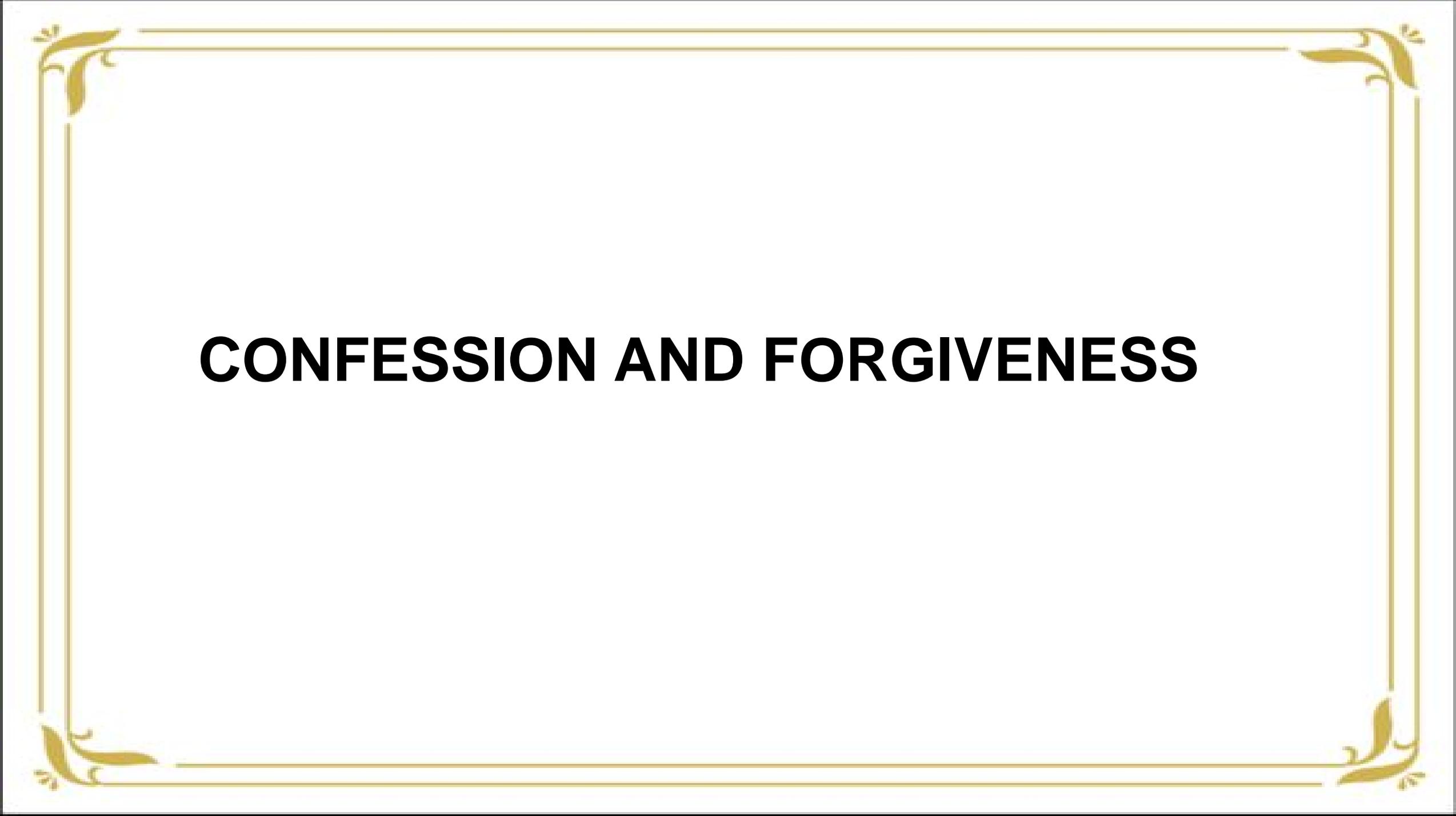
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**For the Scouts at Faith**

**BOY SCOUT  
PRESENTATION OF COLORS  
AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**





# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P:** In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✠ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

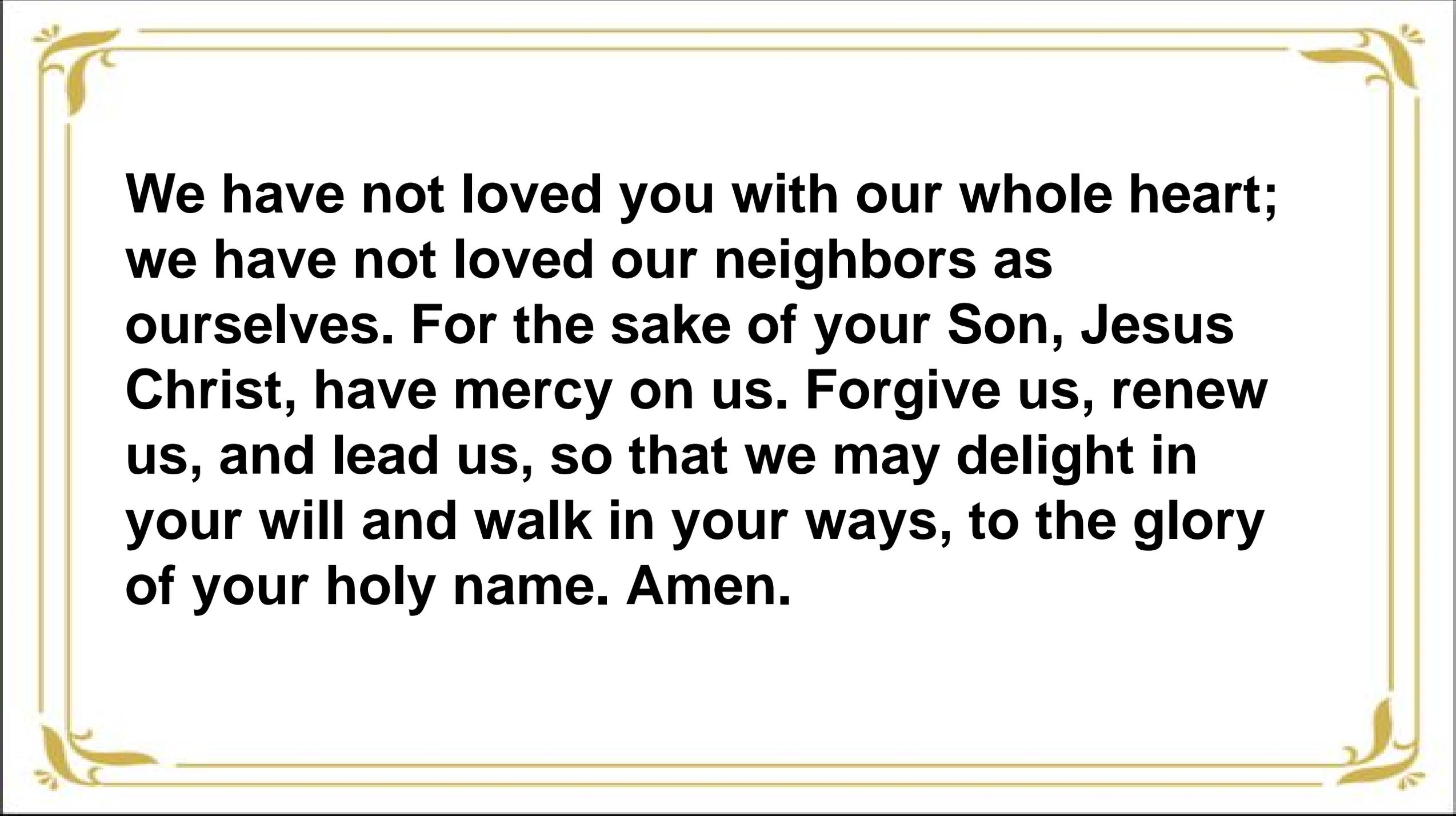
**P:** God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (*A brief silence.*)

Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**P:** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN “*Shine, Jesus, Shine*”**

**Shine on me, shine on me**

**Shine, Jesus, shine**

**Fill this land with the Father's glory**

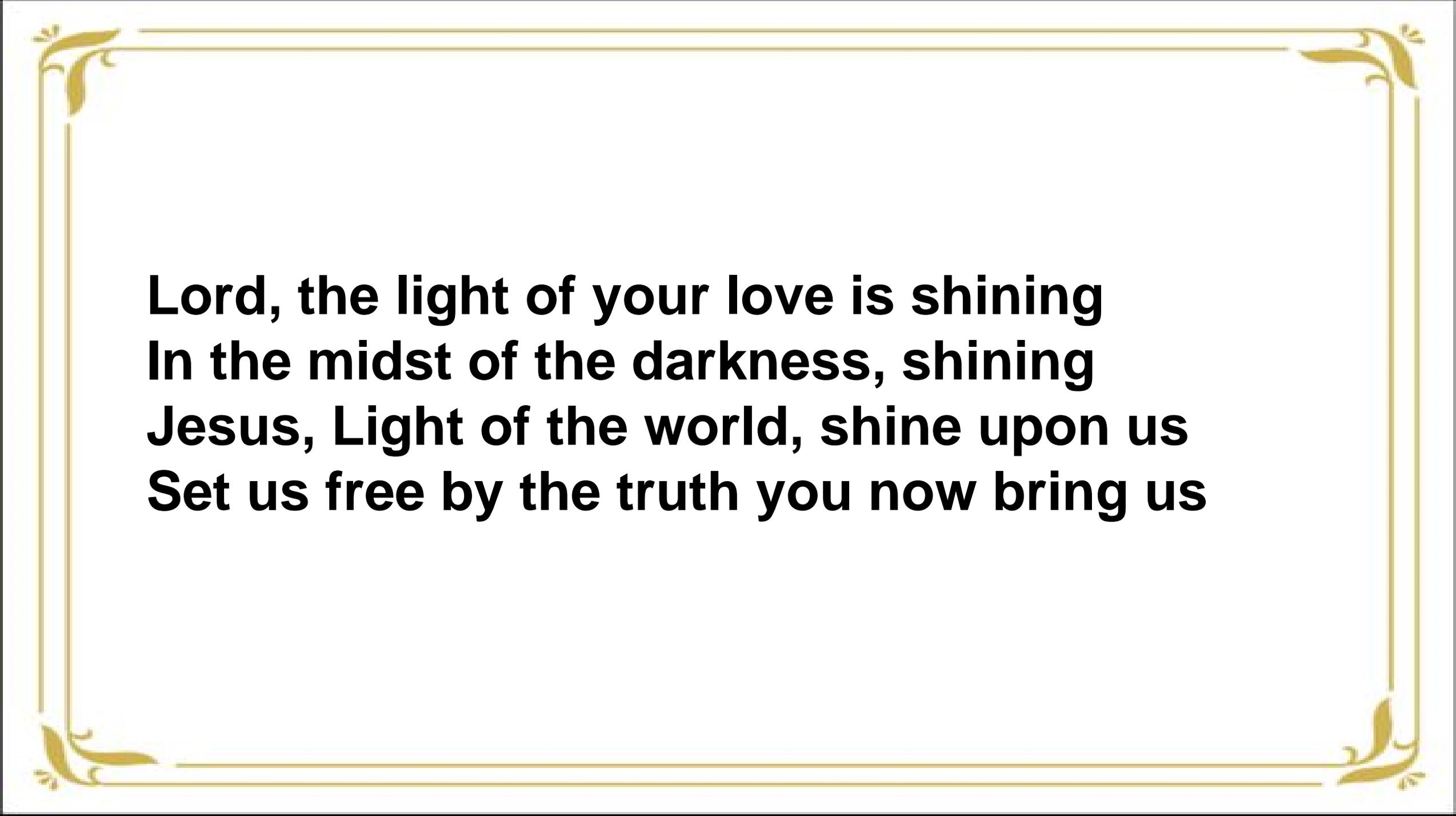
**Blaze, Spirit, blaze**

**Set our hearts on fire**

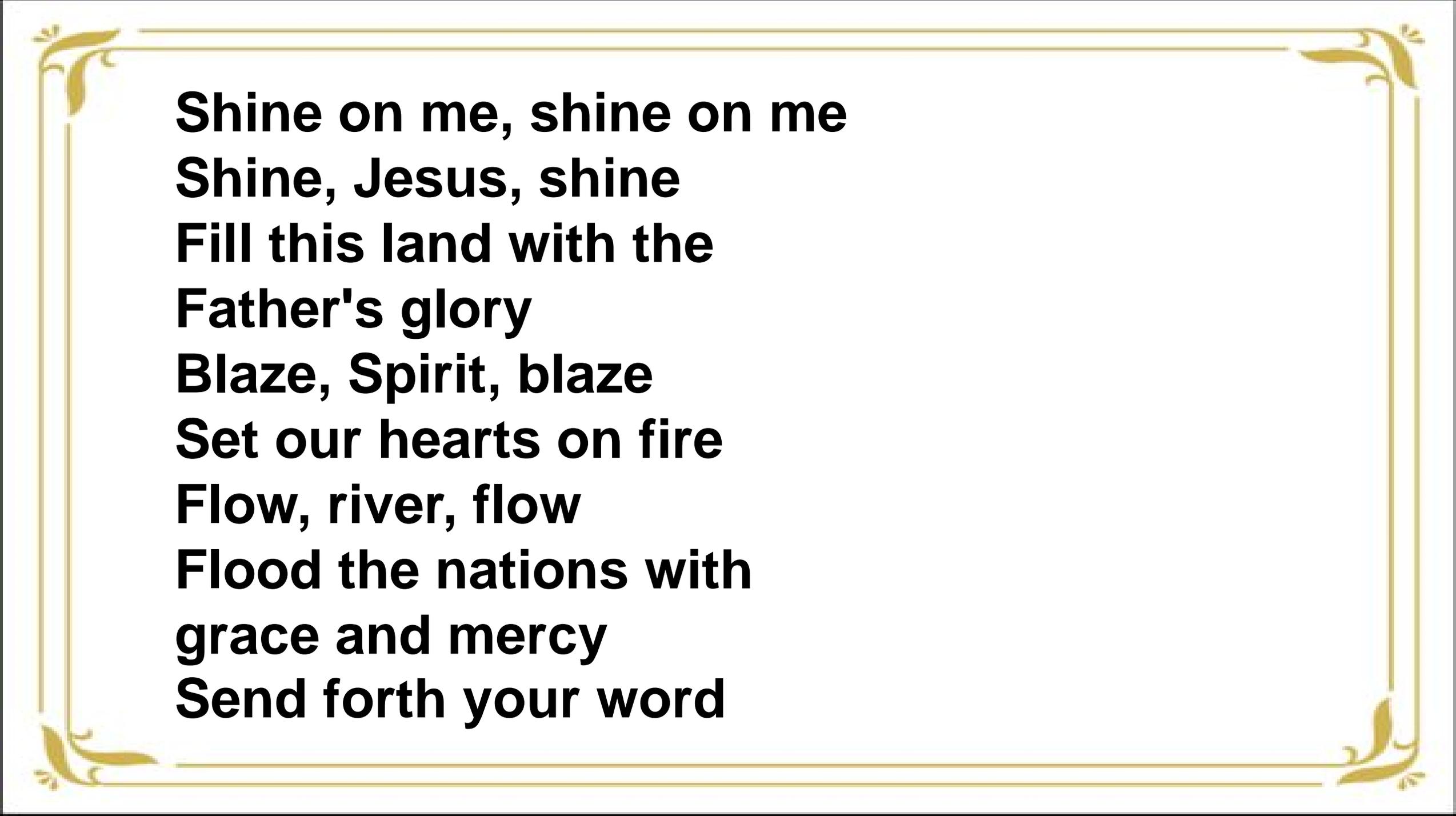
**Flow, river, flow**

**Flood the nations with grace and mercy**

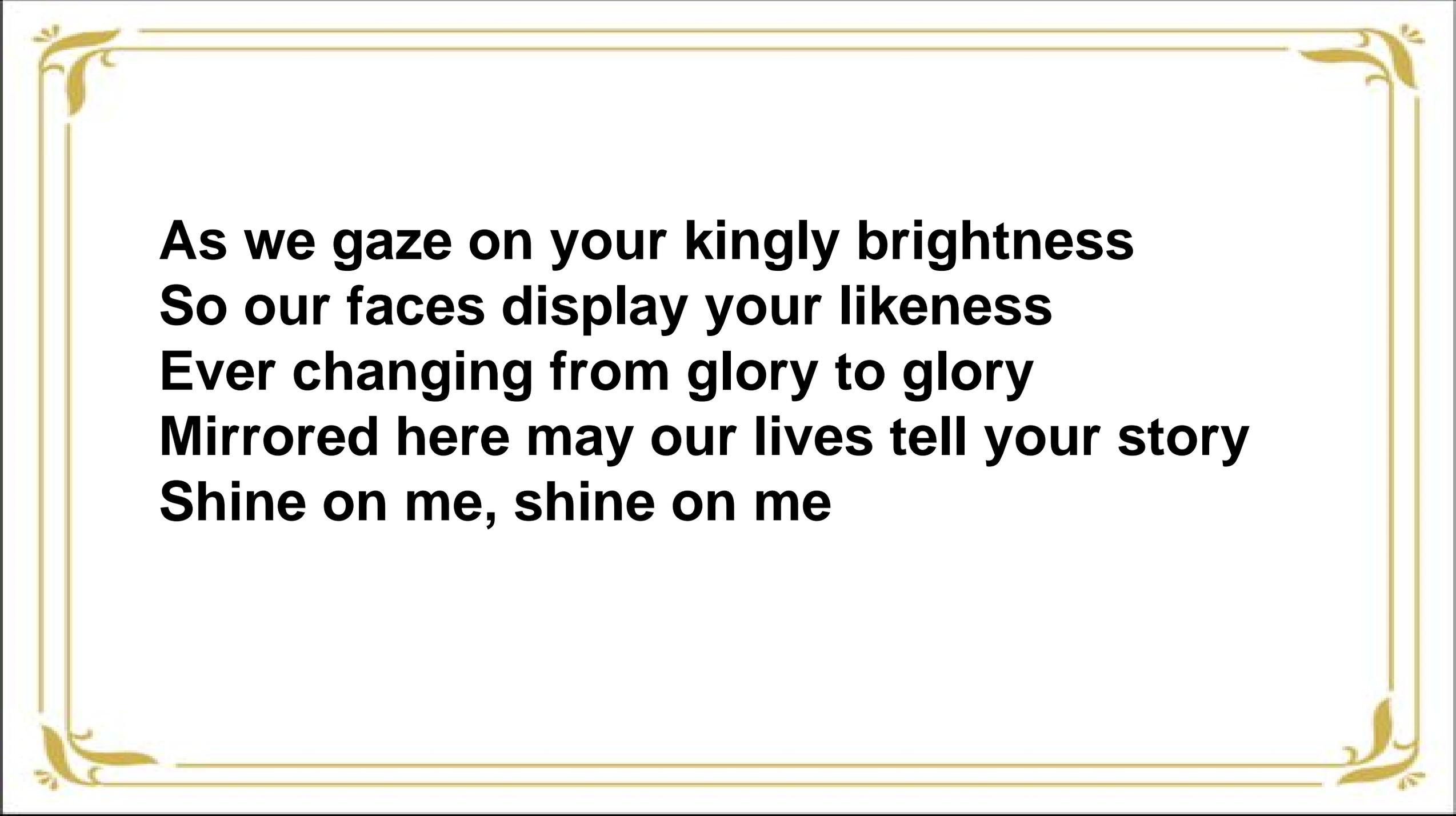
**Send forth your word**



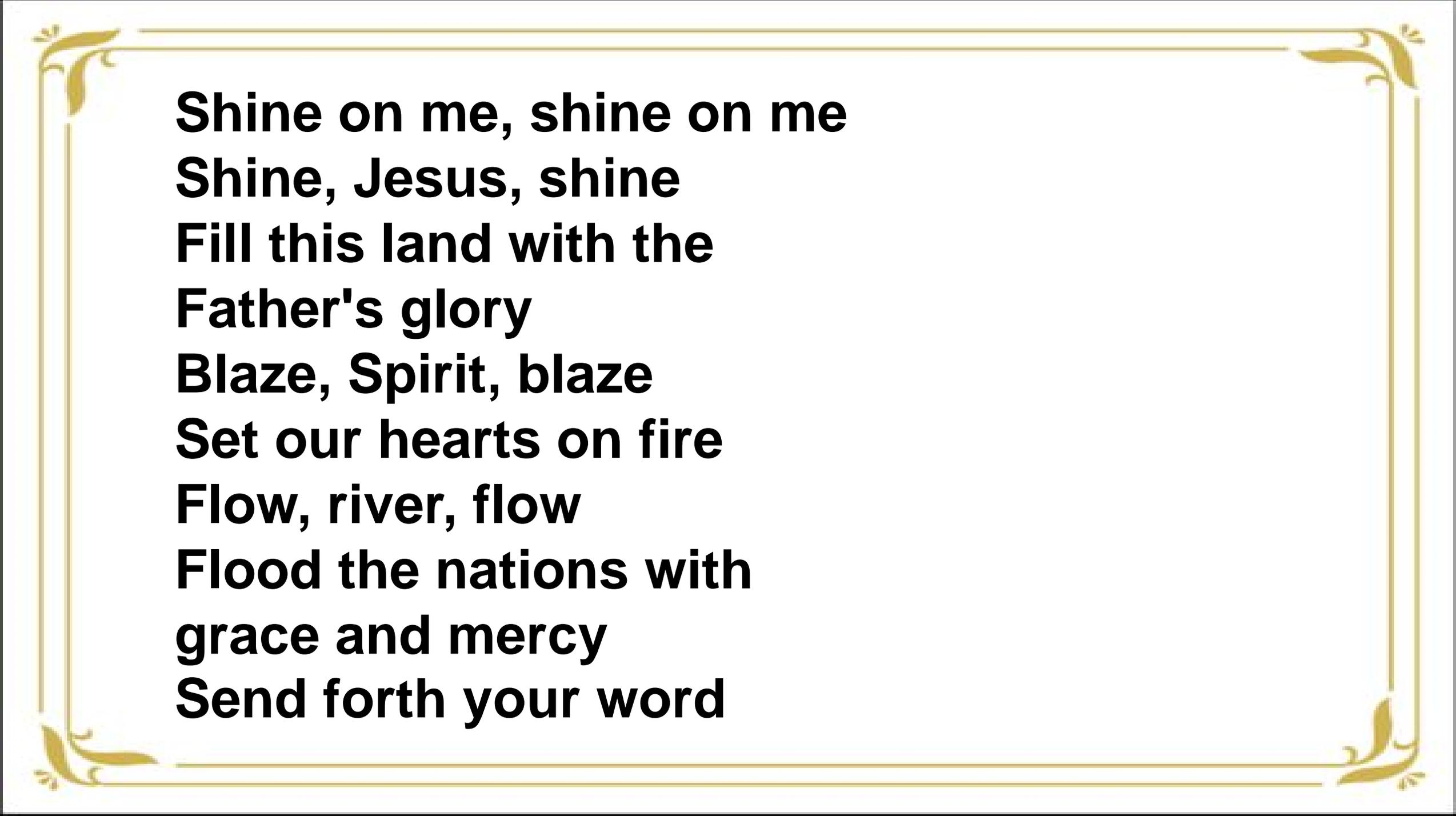
**Lord, the light of your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us**



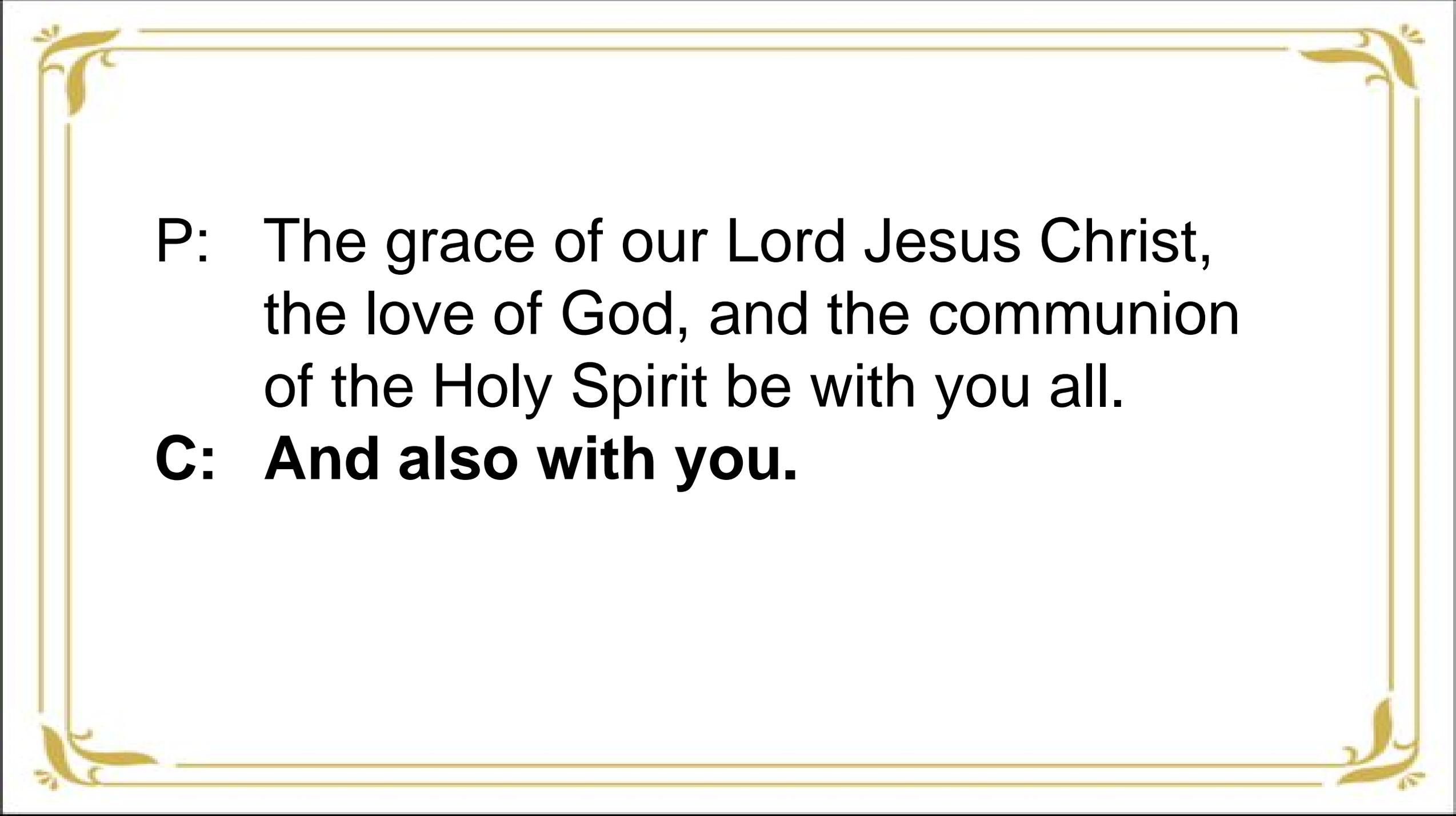
**Shine on me, shine on me  
Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the  
Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
Set our hearts on fire  
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Flood the nations with  
grace and mercy  
Send forth your word**



**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**



**Shine on me, shine on me  
Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the  
Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
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Send forth your word**



P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the communion  
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## **Introduction to the Day**

**P:** The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's beloved son.

As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.

**C: Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

**P:** Let us pray. (*A brief silence.*) Almighty God,

**C:** **the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts.**

**Transfigure us by your beloved Son,  
and illumine the world with your image,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

# Children's Church



"Let the  
little children  
come to me ...."

MATTHEW 19:14

## **FIRST READING: 2 Kings 2:1-12**

R: A reading from 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

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.

R: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **A Responsive Reading From Psalm 50**

**R:** The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken;  
calling the earth from the rising of the sun to  
its setting.

**C:** **Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,  
God shines forth in glory.**

R: Our God will come and will not keep silence;  
with a consuming flame before, and round  
about a raging storm.

**C: God calls the heavens and the earth  
from above to witness the judgment  
of the people.**

R: “Gather before me my loyal followers,  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice.”

**C: The heavens declare the rightness of  
God’s cause, for it is God who is judge.**

## **SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6**

R: A reading from 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

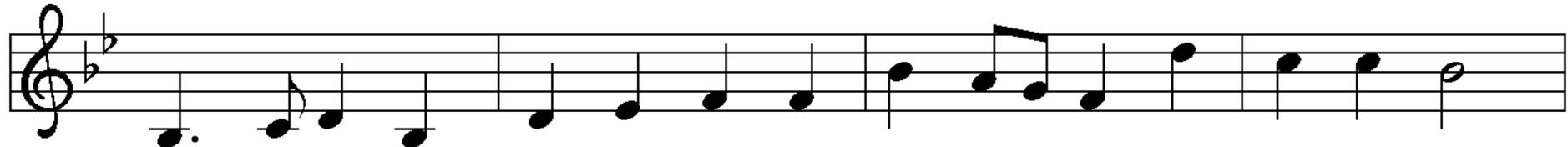
Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

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.

R: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

# ALLELUIA



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## **GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-9**

**P:** The holy gospel according to Mark,  
the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: **Glory to you, O Lord.****

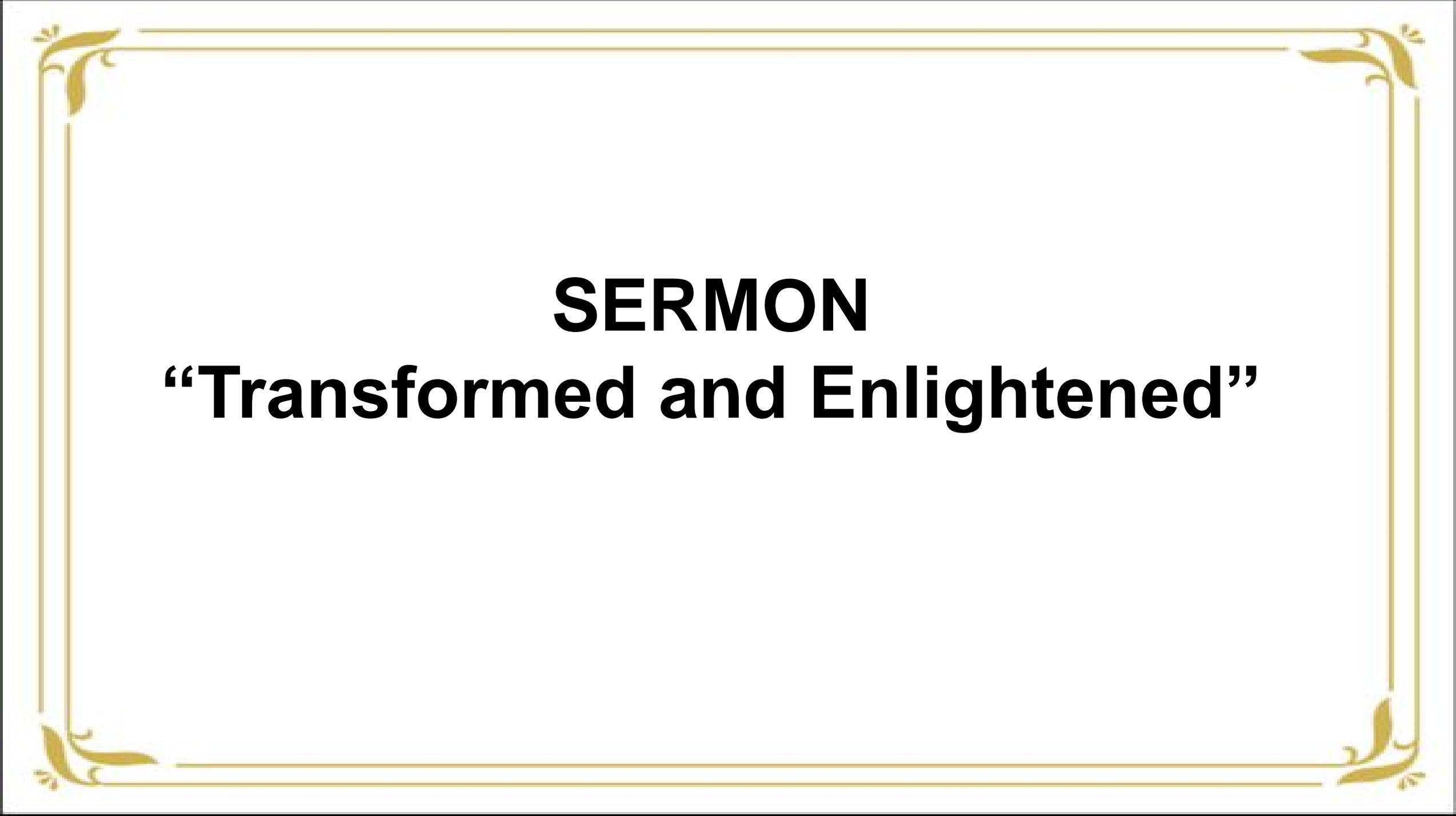
Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them.

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.

**P:** The gospel of the Lord.

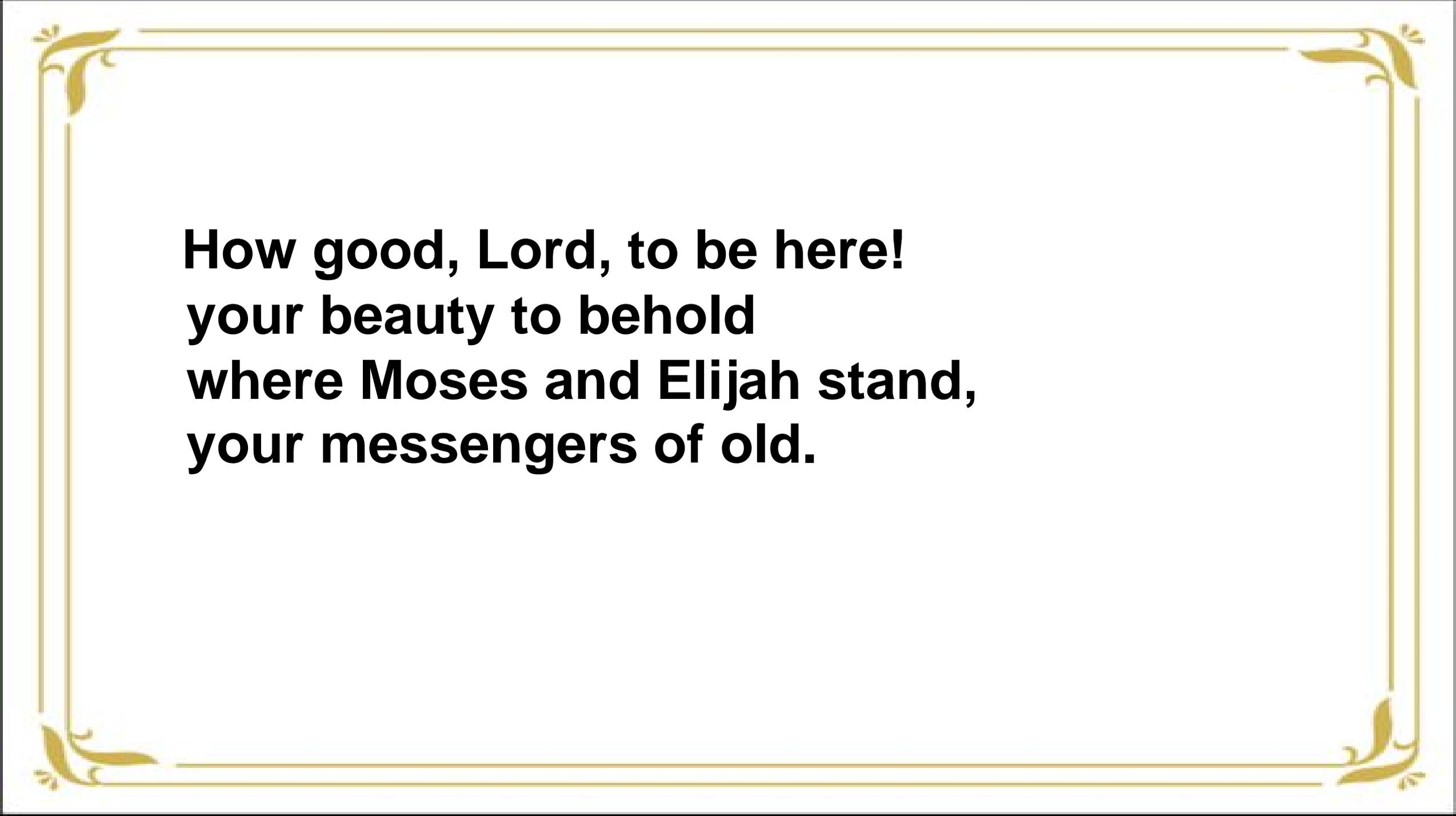
**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**



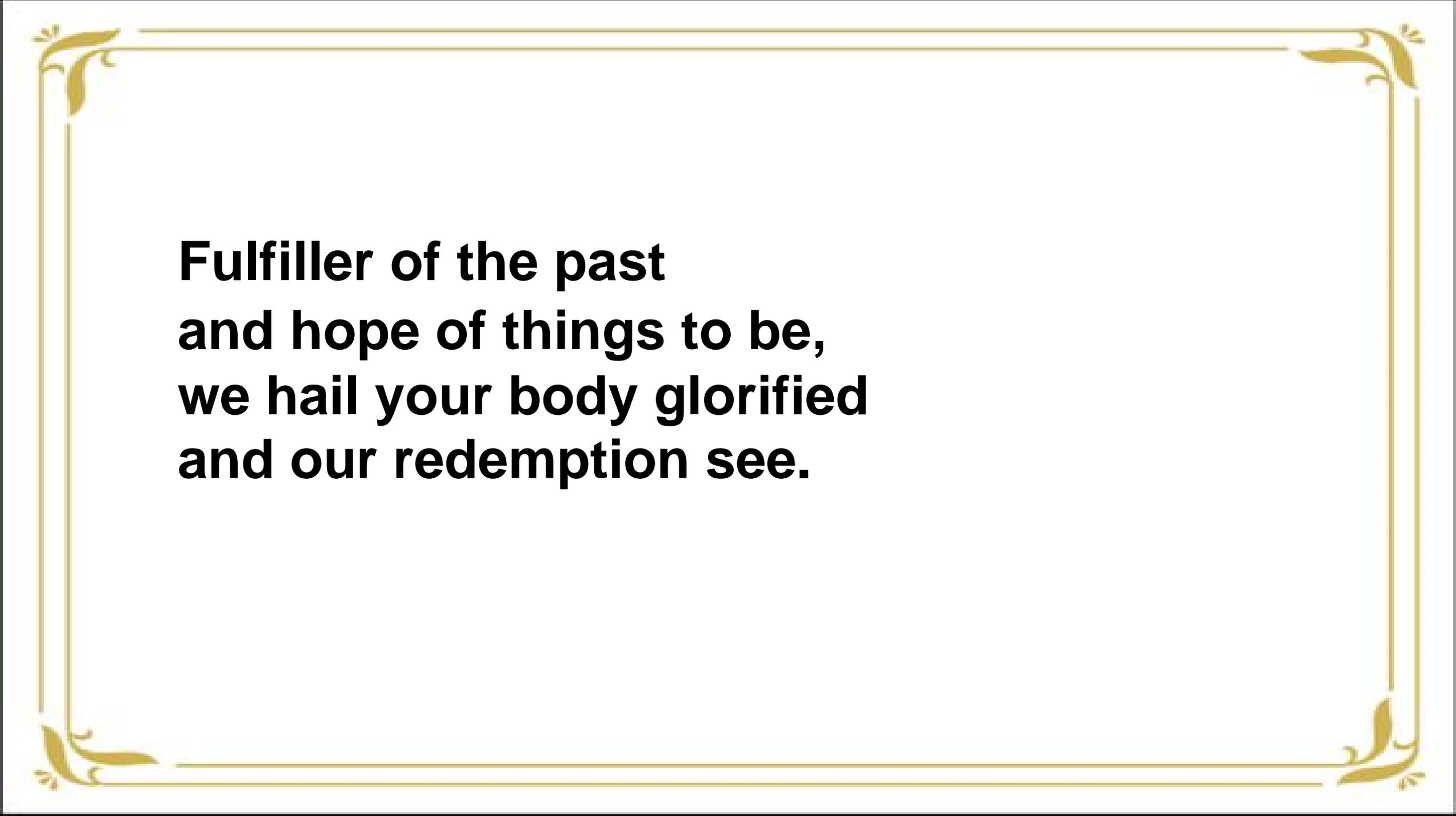
**SERMON**  
**“Transformed and Enlightened”**

**Hymn of the Day *“How Good, Lord, To Be Here”***

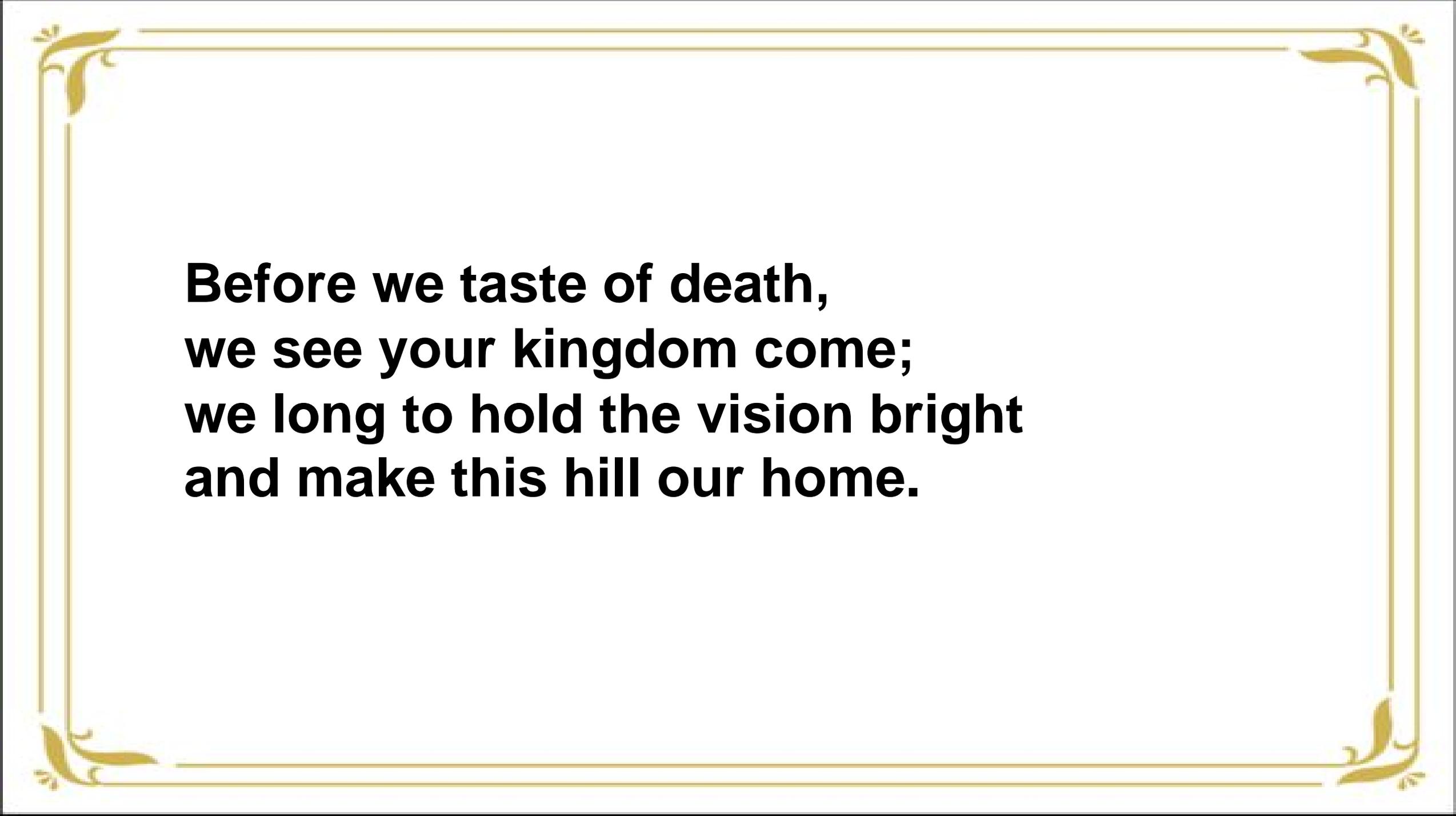
**How good, Lord, to be here!  
Your glory fills the night;  
your face and garments, like the sun,  
shine with unborrowed light.**



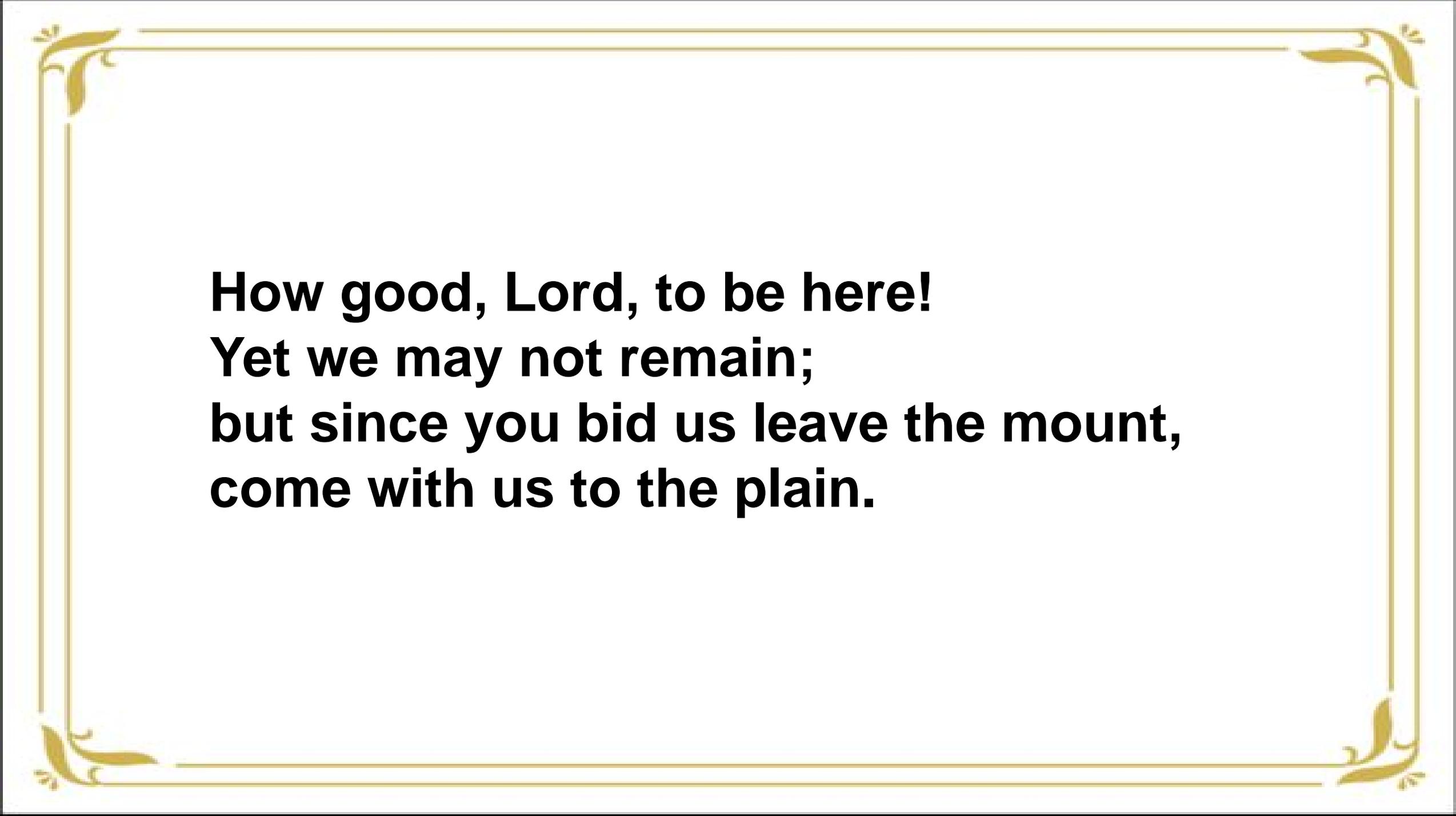
**How good, Lord, to be here!  
your beauty to behold  
where Moses and Elijah stand,  
your messengers of old.**



**Fulfiller of the past  
and hope of things to be,  
we hail your body glorified  
and our redemption see.**



**Before we taste of death,  
we see your kingdom come;  
we long to hold the vision bright  
and make this hill our home.**

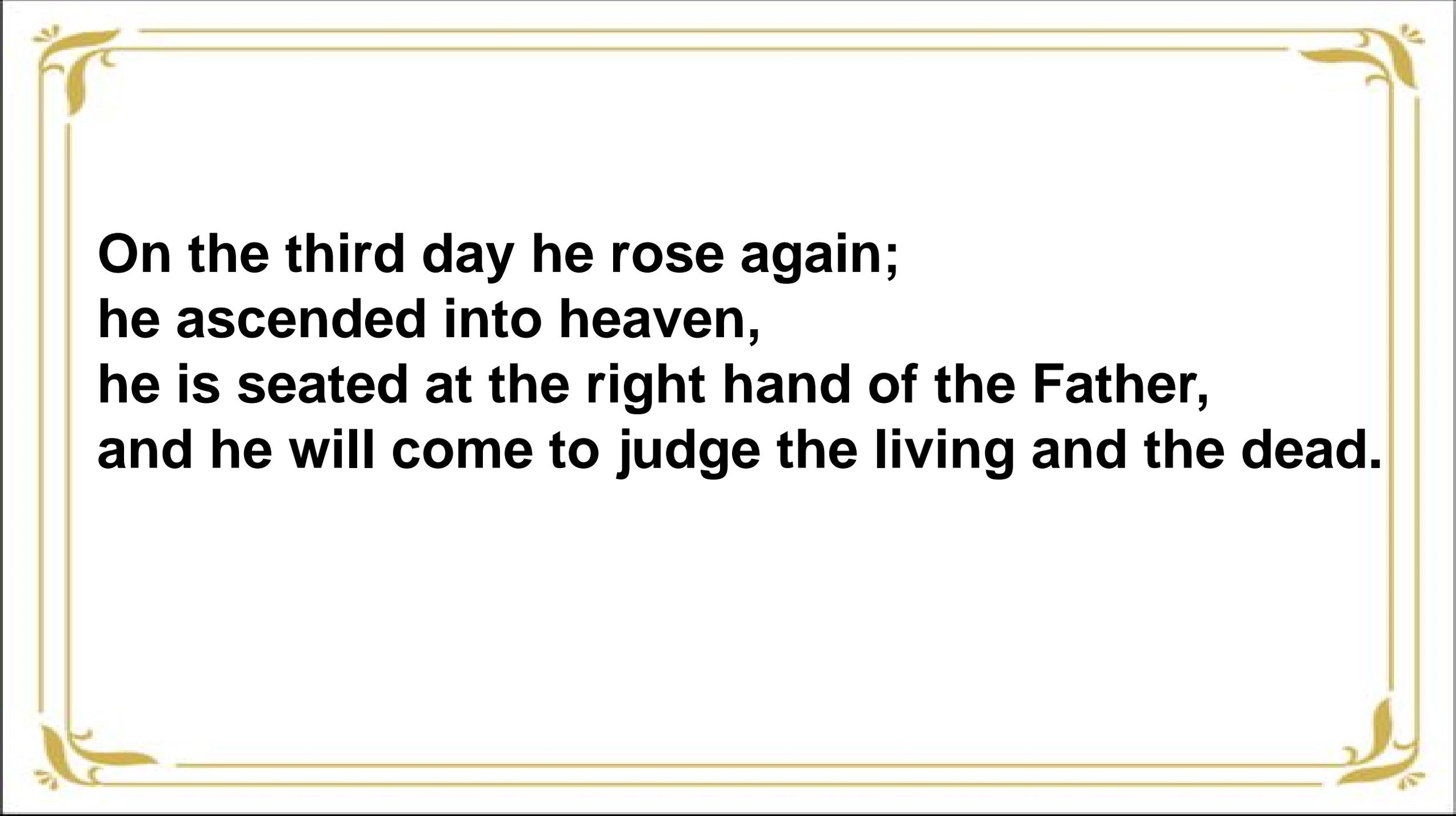


**How good, Lord, to be here!  
Yet we may not remain;  
but since you bid us leave the mount,  
come with us to the plain.**

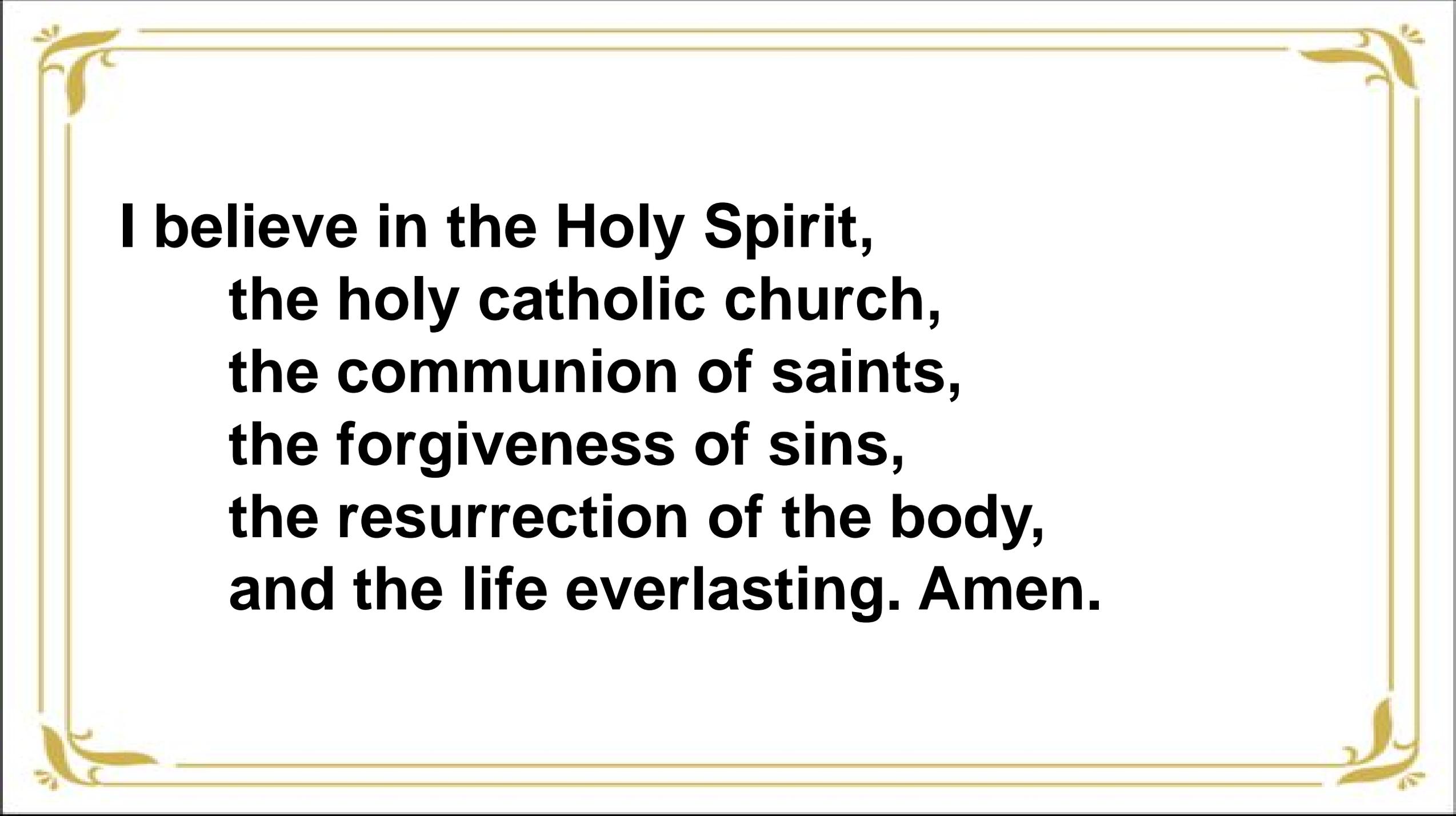
## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,  
God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**



**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**



**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**P:** Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need. (*A brief silence.*) For the ministry of the gospel proclaimed in word and deed, for congregations near and far, and for all who show the face of Christ throughout the world, let us pray.

**C:** **Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** For the well-being of creation, for plants and animals, seas and skies, and creatures seen and unseen, that all may be guided by your Holy Spirit to be stewards of our earth, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** For firefighters and police officers, attorneys and advocates, civil servants and corporate executives, and leaders of governments, that through their insight and patience, peace and justice prevail throughout the world (*especially*), let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

P: For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (*especially*), that as Christ was transfigured on the mountaintop, sickness will be turned into health, loneliness into companionship, bereavement into consolation, and suffering into assurance, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** For companions who accompany us on our journeys through life, for this community of faith that supports us, and for guidance during difficult times, that we see the glory of God revealed around us, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** In thanksgiving for the faithful departed who now rest from their earthly pilgrimage, that their lives of service and prayer inspire us in our days, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

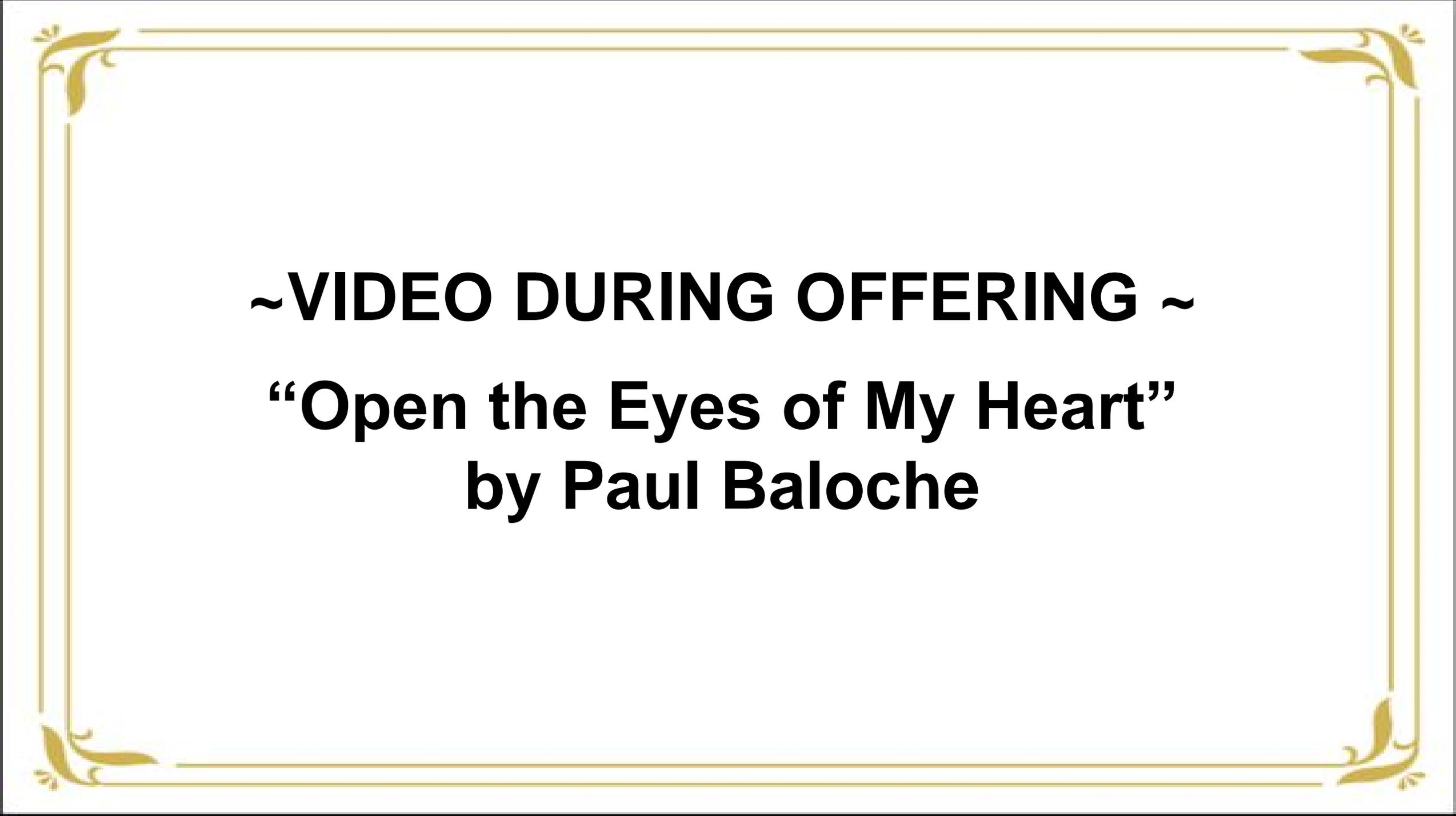
**P:** Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

# **SHARING THE PEACE**

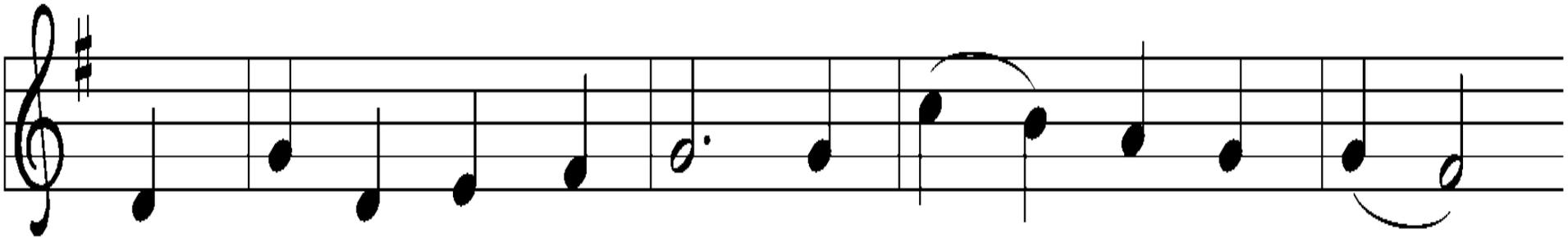
**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

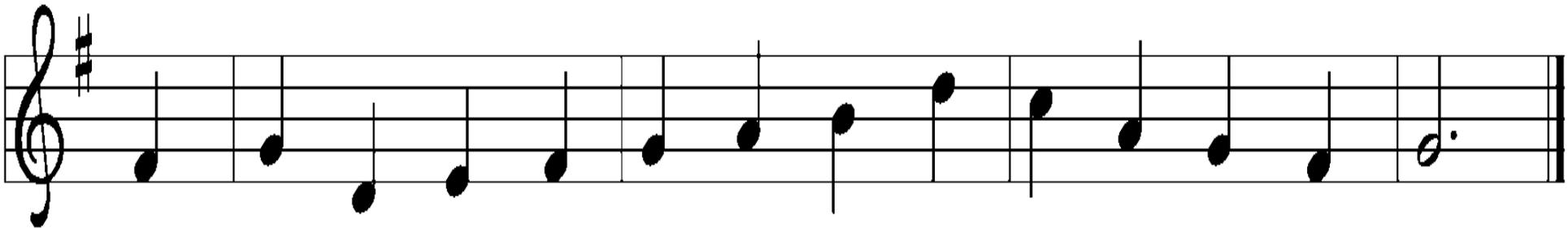


**~VIDEO DURING OFFERING ~**  
**“Open the Eyes of My Heart”**  
**by Paul Baloché**

# Offertory Response



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**P:** Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring - ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal, unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **DIALOGUE**

P: The Lord be with you.

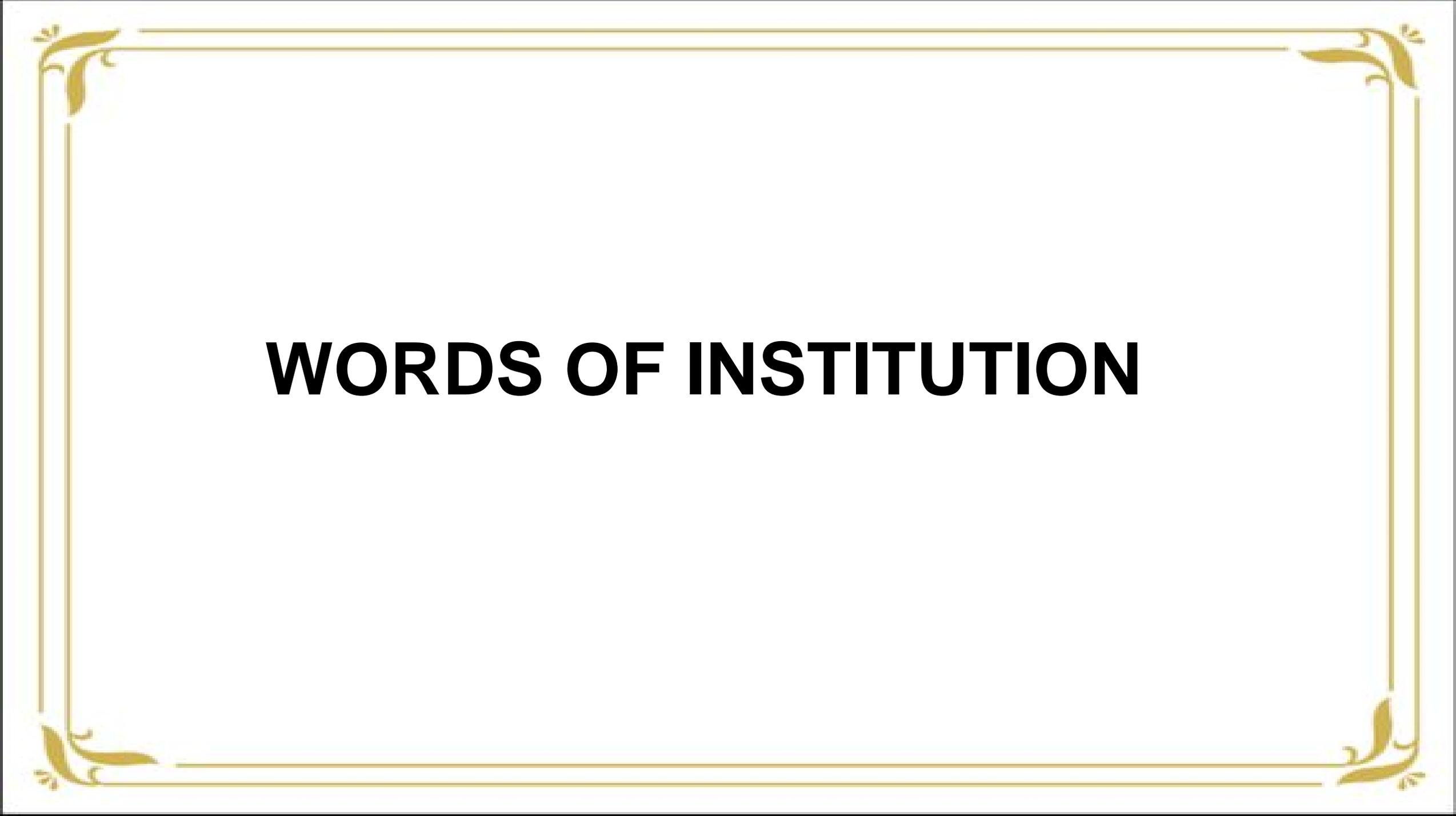
**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**



# **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**



# *COMMUNION*

## **Prayer After Communion**

**P:** O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now - today, tomorrow, every day - that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and  
mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor  
and ✠ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

**“We Are Marching in the Light”**

**We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching--oo--  
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching--oo--  
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are dancing in the light of God,  
we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing in the light of God,  
we are dancing in the light of God.**

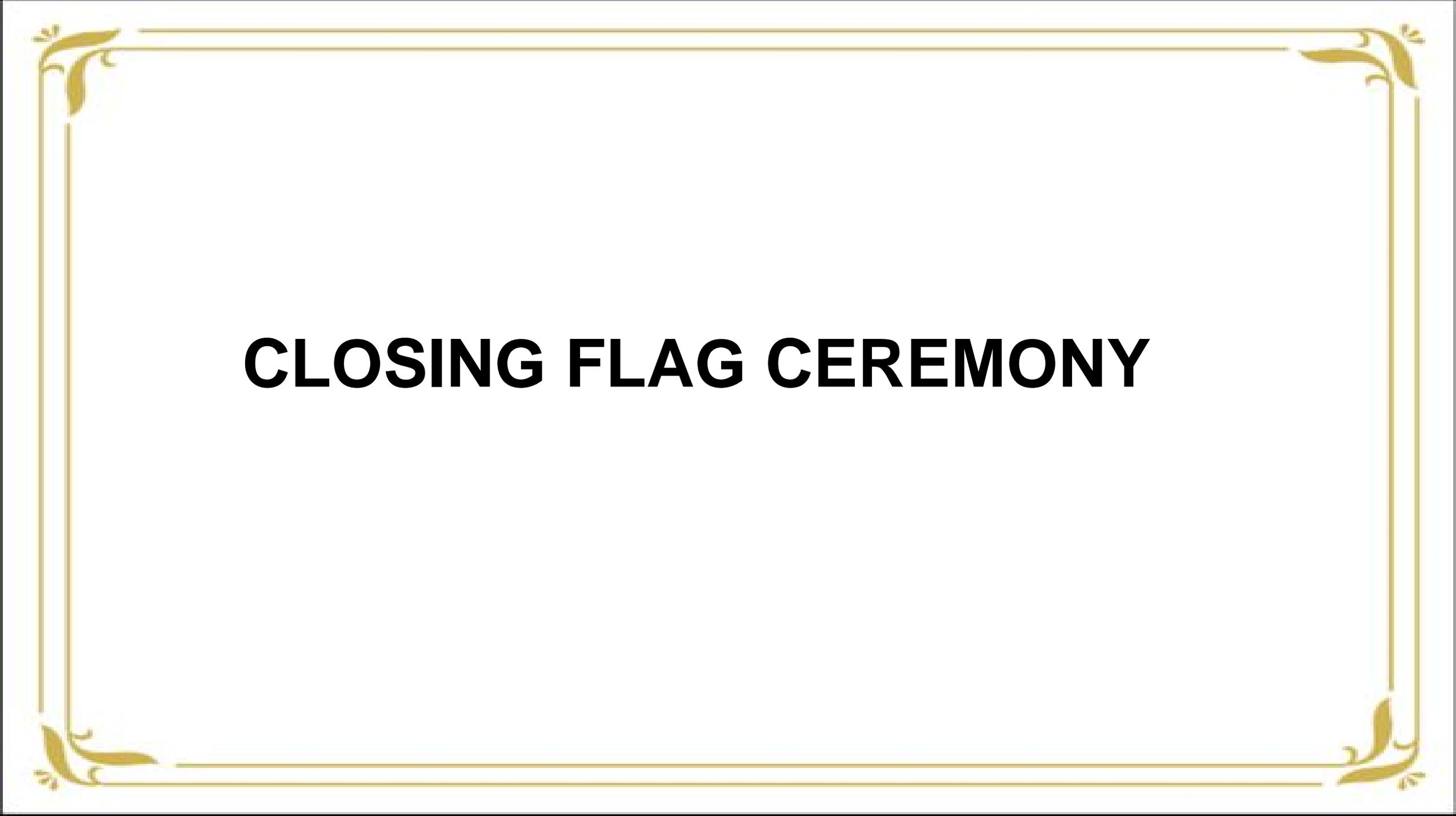
**We are dancing--oo--  
we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing--oo--  
we are dancing in the light of God.**

**We are praying in the light of God,  
we are praying in the light of God.  
We are praying in the light of God,  
we are praying in the light of God.**

**We are praying--oo--  
we are praying in the light of God.  
We are praying--oo--  
we are praying in the light of God.**

**We are singing in the light of God,  
we are singing in the light of God.  
We are singing in the light of God,  
we are singing in the light of God.**

**We are singing--oo--  
we are singing in the light of God.  
We are singing--oo--  
we are singing in the light of God.**



# **CLOSING FLAG CEREMONY**

# **DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**





