

Welcome
to
Kirkwood!

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Opening Hymn

“Behold the Lamb”

Call To Worship

(from Psalm 145)

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**People: The Lord is good to all, and
God's compassion is over all that
God has made.**

Leader: The Lord upholds all who are
falling and raises all who are bowed down.

**People: The eyes of all look to you,
God, and you give them their food in
due season.**

Leader: You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

People: The Lord is just in all God's ways, and kind in all God's doings.

All: The Lord is near to all who call on the Lord, to all who call on the Lord in truth.

A Time for Children

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

People: Holy God, you have revealed yourself to us in Jesus Christ.

Everything we need to know about you has been shown to us. Your goodness, mercy, healing, and renewal are on full display.

**But sometimes we do not see what is
right before us. Sometimes we miss
the miracle. We misunderstand you,
and so we misunderstand the world.
Forgive us, we pray. Restore to us the
ability to see you as you reveal
yourself to us.**

**Renew within us the capacity to see
your way in the world, in this life, and
in the life that is to come.**

Leader: Please continue in silent
confession....Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see: everything has become new.

People: All this is from God, who reconciled us to God through Christ.

Leader: Believe the promise of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.

He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking."

But Jacob said, “I will not let you go, unless you bless me.” So he said to him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Jacob.”

Then the man said, “You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.”

Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.”

The sun rose upon him as he passed
Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.”

Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.”

They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” And he said, “Bring them here to me.”

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full.

And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

When Mystery is
Enough









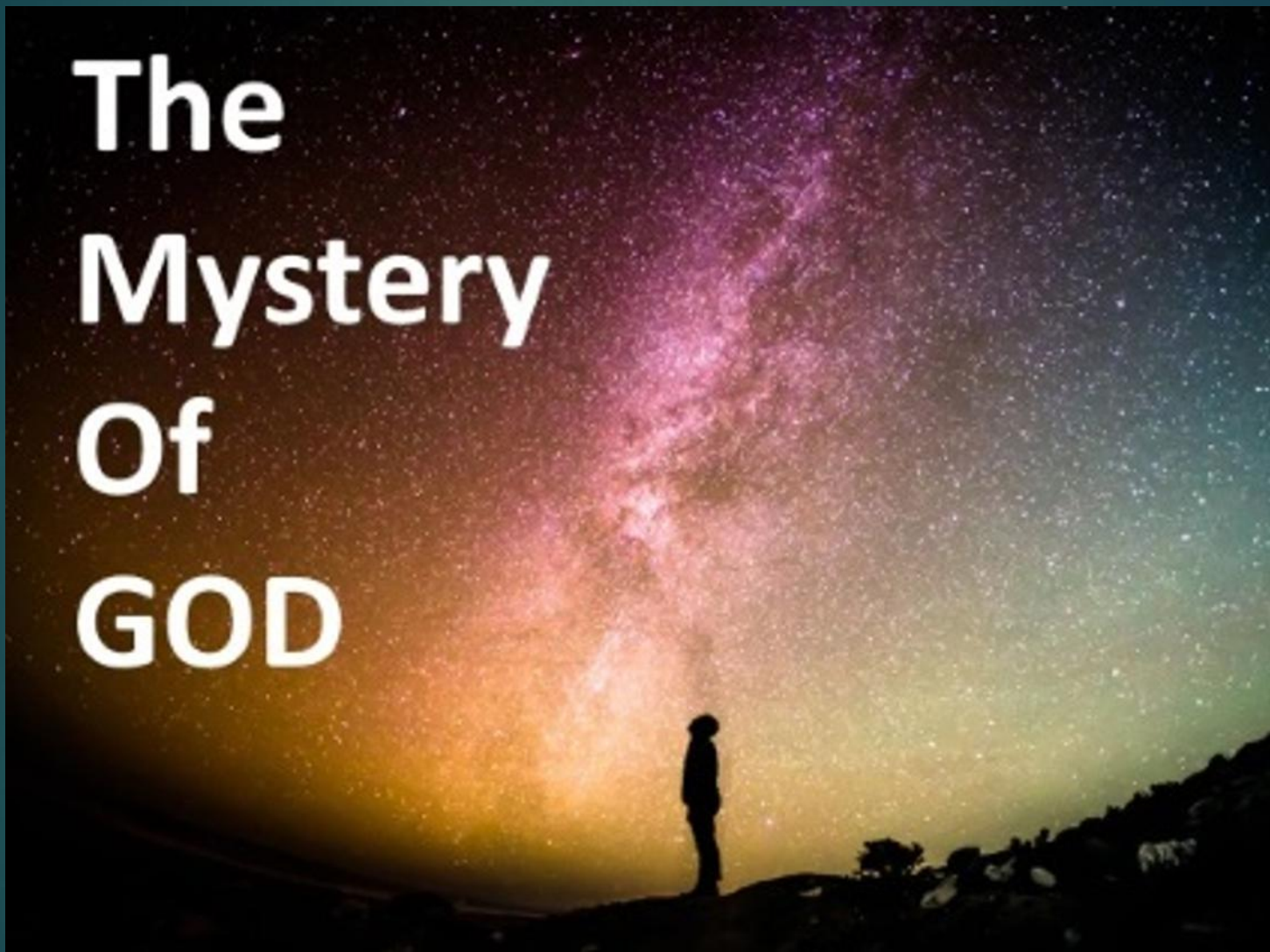








The Mystery Of GOD



Glory to God #12

Middle Hymn

**“Immortal, Invisible,
God Only Wise”**

v. 1, 2, & 4

TEXT: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867, alt.

MUSIC (ST. DENIO 11.11.11.11): Welsh folk melody; arr. Caniadau y Cyssegr, 1839

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble,
God on - ly wise,
in light in - ac - ces - si - ble
hid from our eyes,

The image displays a musical score for the hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise". It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The first staff contains the lyrics "1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble,". The second staff contains "God on - ly wise,". The third staff contains "in light in - ac - ces - si - ble". The fourth staff contains "hid from our eyes,". The melody is simple and consists of quarter and half notes.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious,
the An - cient of Days,
al - mighty, vic - to - rious,
thy great name we praise.

The image displays a musical score for the hymn "Glory to God #12". It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics "most bless - ed, most glo - rious,". The second staff contains "the An - cient of Days,". The third staff contains "al - mighty, vic - to - rious,". The fourth staff contains "thy great name we praise." and ends with a double bar line. The notes are primarily quarter notes, with some half notes in the second and fourth staves.



2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and



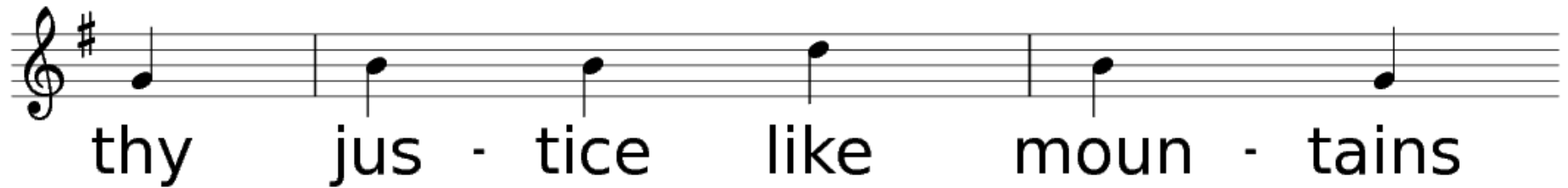
si - lent as light,

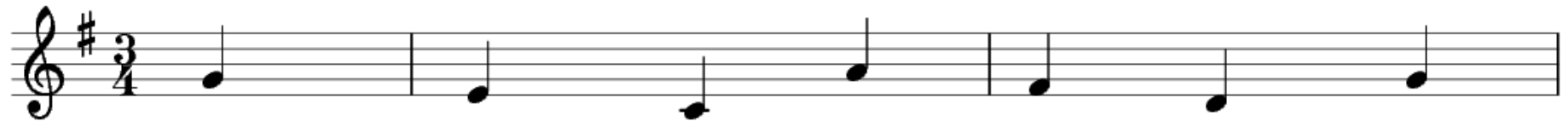


nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou



rul - est in might;





4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou



dwel - est in light.



Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all



veil - ing their sight.

The image displays a musical score for the hymn 'Glory to God #12'. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics 'All praise we would ren - der;'. The second staff contains 'O help us to see'. The third staff contains ''tis on - ly the splen - dor'. The fourth staff contains 'of light hid - eth thee!'. The music is written in a simple, clear style, with notes and rests clearly visible. The lyrics are in a serif font, and the overall layout is clean and professional.

All praise we would ren - der;

O help us to see

'tis on - ly the splen - dor

of light hid - eth thee!

Prayers of the People/

The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Supper

**Giving Thanks to God
with Our Tithes and
Offerings**

Offertory Song

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom
all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures
here below;**

**Praise God above,
ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son
and Holy Ghost.**

Amen.

(repeat Amen 6 times)

Prayer of Dedication

**People: Holy God, the world and all
that is in it was made by your Word.
You have blessed us with countless
gifts of love.**

**Receive our offerings as commitments
of our intention to see the world
through the eyes of your love, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Closing Hymn

**“It Really is
Amazing Grace”**

Charge and Blessing

