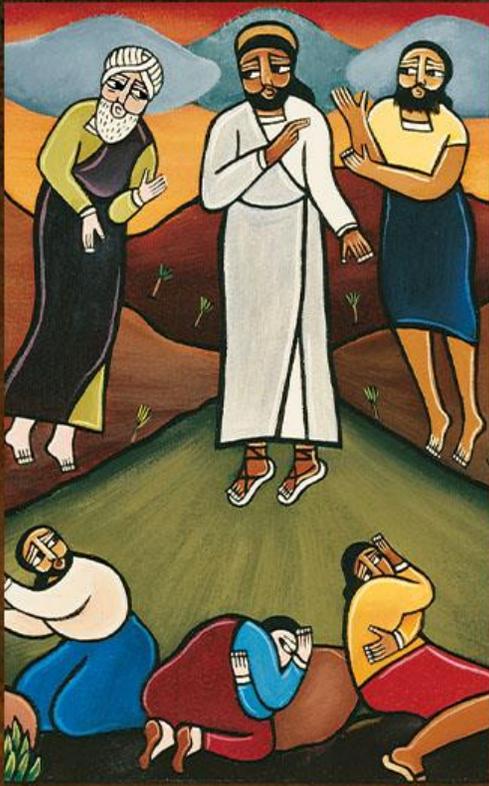


TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

February 14, 2021 ♦ 9:00 am



Jesus was
transfigured
before them

MARK 9:2

GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☞ In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

☑ **Amen.**

☞ Let us come into the light of Christ, confessing our need for God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

☞ God of peace,

☑ **we confess that we are not at peace—with others or with ourselves.**

We bring to you all that tears us apart:

discord in our families, violence in our world, our own conflicted hearts.

In your mercy, mend us. Reconnect us to one another and to you.

Let peace reign over all the earth, through the Prince of peace,

our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

P In the Word who has come to dwell with us, God has given us grace upon grace: forgiveness that is stronger than our sins, love that can heal every broken heart. Hear this word of God's pardon and peace:
in the name of † Jesus our Savior, you are free from all your sins.
Rise, shine, for your light has come.

C Amen.

HYMN "Beautiful Savior" (Cantor sings stanzas 1 and 3; **ALL SING STANZA 4**)

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
robbed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
bright the spar - kling stars on high;
Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
than all the an - gels in the sky.
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE “Worthy is Christ” (Cantor sings first refrain and verses; **all sing refrains**)



Ⓐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Ⓑ Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Ⓔ Let us pray.

Ⓕ **Almighty God, 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**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 2 Kings 2:1-12

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah 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. ³The 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." ⁴Elijah 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. ⁵The 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." ⁶Then 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. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then 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. ⁹When 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." ¹⁰He 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." ¹¹As 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. ¹²Elisha 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.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In 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. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus

Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For 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.

ALLELUIA VERSE (ALL SING)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 9:2-9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 9th chapter.

G Glory to you, O Lord.

²Six 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, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses,

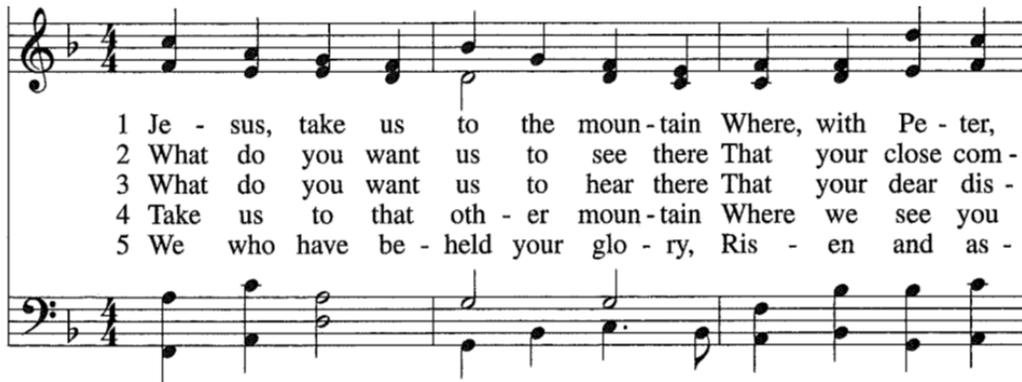
and one for Elijah." ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved listen to him!" ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus. ⁹As they were coming down 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.

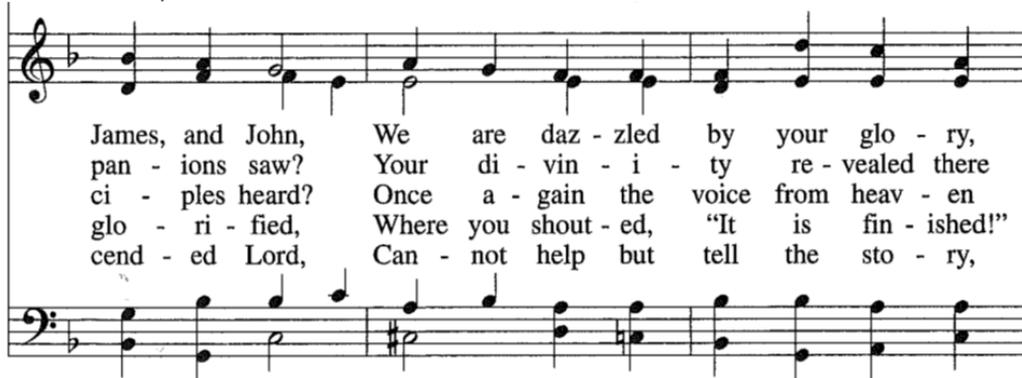
G Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

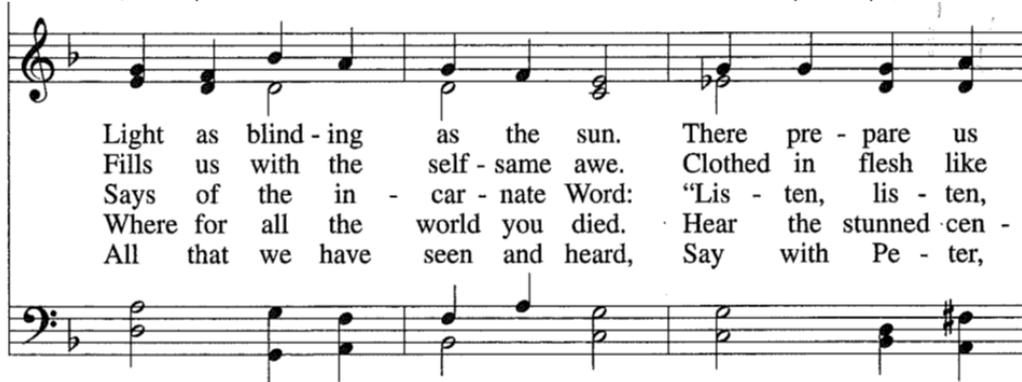
HYMN "Jesus Take Us to the Mountain" (Cantor sings stanzas 1 and 4; **ALL SING STANZA 5**)



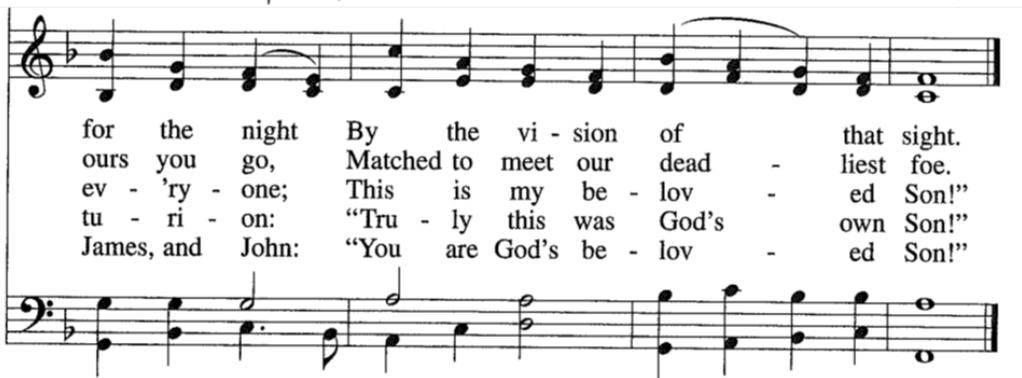
1 Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain Where, with Pe - ter,
2 What do you want us to see there That your close com -
3 What do you want us to hear there That your dear dis -
4 Take us to that oth - er moun - tain Where we see you
5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, Ris - en and as -



James, and John, We are daz - zled by your glo - ry,
pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there
ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en
glo - ri - fied, Where you shout - ed, "It is fin - ished!"
cend - ed Lord, Can - not help but tell the sto - ry,



Light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us
Fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like
Says of the in - car - nate Word: "Lis - ten, lis - ten,
Where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -
All that we have seen and heard, Say with Pe - ter,



for the night By the vi - sion of that sight.
ours you go, Matched to meet our dead - liest foe.
ev - 'ry - one; This is my be - lov - ed Son!"
tu - ri - on: "Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"
James, and John: "You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

(Response to each petition)

P Hear us, O God

C Your mercy is great.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

P We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord –

C God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

P Thanks and praise to you, heavenly Father, for the epiphany of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, the light shining in the darkness. Of Him the Father's voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Therefore, with angels and archangels, the saints in heaven and those on earth, we glorify your name, praising you and singing:

SANCTUS (sung by cantor)

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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**

AGNUS DEI (ALL SING)



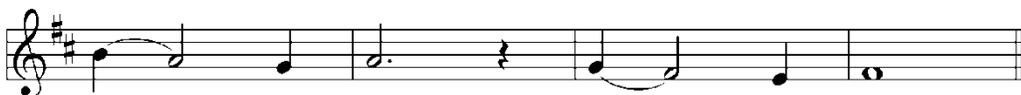
☞ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

EATING AND DRINKING

SONG "The Lord is My Light" (sing with cantor; repeat several times)



The Lord is my light, my light and sal-vation: in him I trust, in him I trust. The

DISMISSAL

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

☐ Let us pray:

**☞ We give you thanks, gracious God,
that you have once again fed us from your very self
with the body and blood of Christ.
Through this mystery, send us forth
to proclaim your promise to a world in need,
through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen

- P** Go in peace. Christ lives in you.

C Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

(cantor sings stanzas 1 and 2; **ALL SING STANZA 5**)



1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be
3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest
4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread
thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee
thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be
thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways
thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry
then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war
thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least
then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.
thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

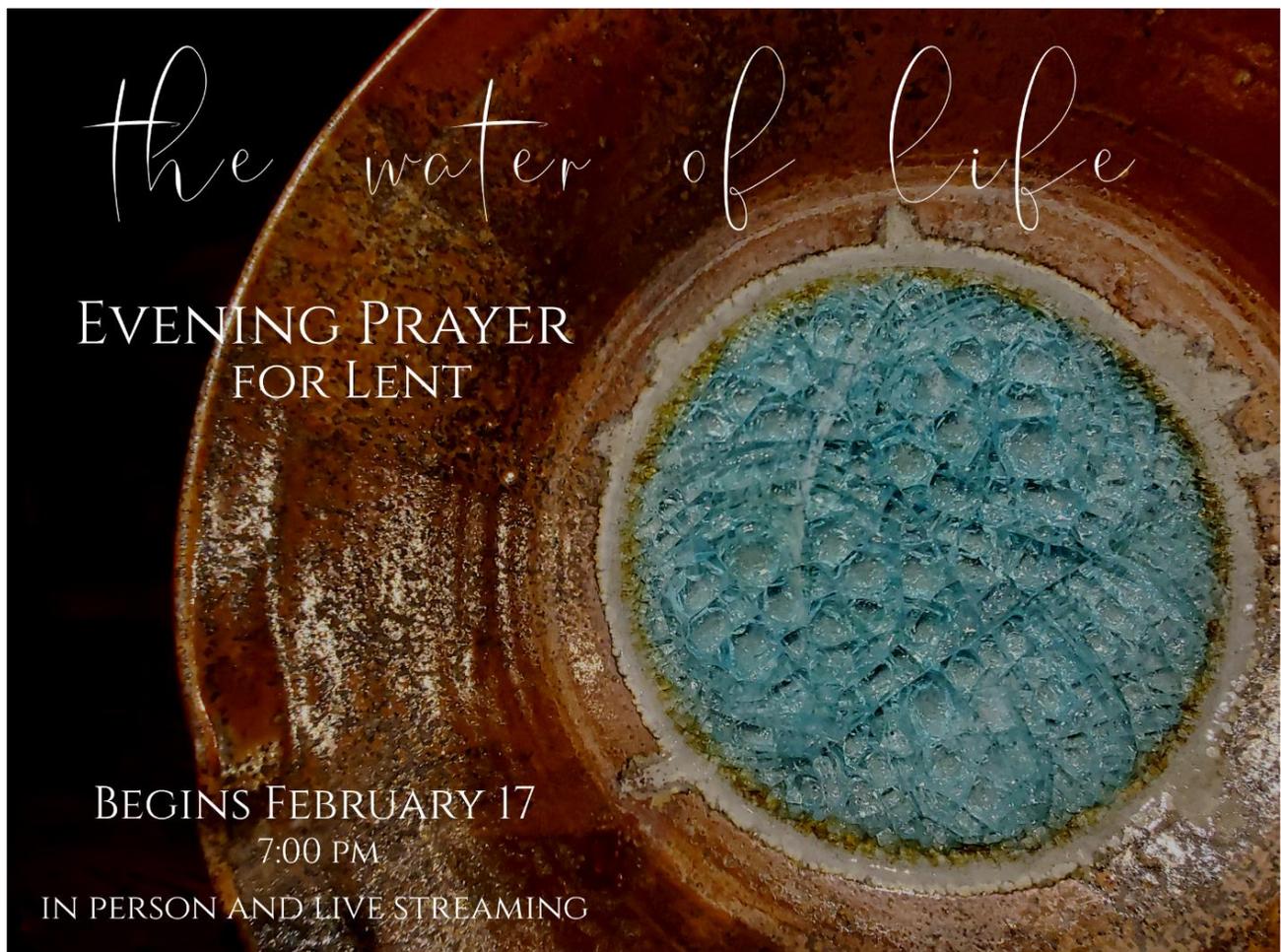
Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
Music: THINE, Carl Schalk, b. 1929

REMEMBER TO SUPPORT OUR CONGREGATION with your offerings.
You may place them in the plate in the entryway this morning, mail it to the
church or make your offering online.



hats&mittens

We are collecting HATS and MITTENS during January and February.
Slightly used, new and homemade!
There will be a collection spot in the entryway of the church.



ASH WEDNESDAY IS THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Worship at 7 pm
In person and live streaming

If you plan to worship from home, take a vial of ashes with you!
All are invited to take a devotion book, A STORY TO TELL which has readings and prayers for every day of
Lent based on the Gospel of Mark.

Hope for the Journey Home Service Week February 21-27

Things, like the rest of the world, have been very different at Hope for the Journey Home last year going into this year. Many changes have been made at the shelter to safely accommodate 4 families, staff and volunteers at the shelter. The shelter is now open 24 hours a day seven days a week.

Grace of God is scheduled to serve at the shelter February 21-27. There are several different ways you can volunteer to serve at the shelter. As in the past, if you choose to serve at the shelter a background check (every 3 years) and safe environment training will need to be completed. Please contact me if you have questions or need help signing up to volunteer. Audrey Gilman- 651-352-2888 or aggilman@comcast.net

SIGN UP FOR DINNER OR OVERNIGHT SHIFT: ttsu.me/hjhfeb21

Dinner shift available starting between 4:30-5PM and ending between 7:00-7:30PM. Help prepare dinner and serve guests behind plexiglass. Light housekeeping tasks to complete.

Overnight shift The shelter now has a paid overnight staff person. They continue to need at least one volunteer although two may volunteer as in the past. Overnight volunteers have a private room and private bathroom. Overnight shift is from 8:00 pm to 9:00 am. Optional shift is from 9:00 pm to 7:00 am. Would essentially “get in, get out” and not have to interact with guests if concerned about face to interaction due to COVID 19.

SIGN UP FOR MEAL DONATION: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4fadac2fa0f5c34-meals7>

Meal Donations (enough to serve 8)

Meal Drop off between 4:00 pm- 5:00 pm or arrange a time. Meal must be store bought, no homemade meals. Easy to prepare such as put in oven or crockpot. Great places to purchase: Costco, Sam’s Club, or local grocery store. Contactless drop off.

New Front Desk Position

Seeking volunteers willing to fill the staffing gap from 8:45 am to 2:00 pm. Minimal contact with guests. Duties include answering phone, and door. Welcoming guests and those dropping off donations. Most days there would be time to work on personal hobbies (like knitting) or read a book. Great opportunity for college aged youth and older. To sign up call (651) 789 – 3195 or email emueller@guardian-angels.org



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