

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



The Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 11, 2024

Divine Service, Setting One – LSB 151

8:00 & 10:30*am, 5:00 pm (*see communion statement on page 10*)

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AS WE GATHER

The light of Christ is no mere metaphor. Christ is our light and He shines with the brightness of the one true light. Where the world lives in the darkness of doubt, Christ brings confidence to approach the throne of grace. Where the world lives in the faded glory of our aspirations and dreams, Christ's light of forgiveness and hope never fades. Where the world imagines a future, Christ's light shines on a new and everlasting tomorrow. As Christ shone with His light, so do we shine with the borrowed light of our Savior that those living in darkness and in the shadow of death might be shown the way.

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✠ ✠ ✠ GATHERING ✠ ✠ ✠

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

HYMN OF INVOCATION – LSB 414 – ‘Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here



1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy
2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy
3 Ful - fill - er of the past And
4 Be - fore we taste of death, We
5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet



glo - ry fills the night; Thy face and gar - ments,
beau - ty to be - hold Where Mo - ses and E -
hope of things to be, We hail Thy bod - y -
see Thy king - dom come; We long to hold the
we may not re - main; But since Thou bidst us



like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.
li - jah stand, Thy mes - sen - gers of old.
glo - ri - fied And our re - demp - tion see.
vi - sion bright And make this hill our home.
leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

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INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

† † † **WORD** † † †

INTROIT – Psalm 99:1–5; antiphon: v. 9

Choir: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain; *
for the LORD our God is | holy!



C **The LORD reigns; let the peoples | tremble!***
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the | earth quake!

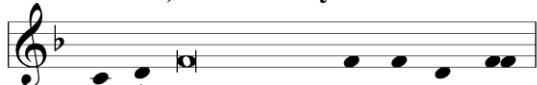
Choir: The LORD is great in | Zion; *
he is exalted over all the | peoples.

C **Let them praise your great and | awesome name!***
Ho- | ly is he!


Choir: The King in his might loves | justice. *
You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in | Jacob.

C **Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his | footstool!***
Ho- | ly is he!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;*
for the LORD our God is | holy!

KYRIE – Lord, Have Mercy – Mark 10:47


A In peace let us pray to the Lord.


C Lord, have mer - cy.


A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



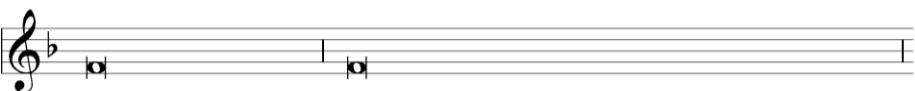
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – Luke 2:14; John 1:29

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Today is not only the last time we will sing “Alleluia” until Easter Sunday but is also the last time we will sing the **Gloria in excelsis**.

The Alleluia and Gloria are omitted during penitential seasons, reflecting the grave and somber journey of Christ to the cross.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray... one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

FIRST LESSON – Exodus 34:29-35 – Moses comes down the mountain with the Law in his hands and the glory of the Lord upon his face.

²⁹When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. ³²Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the Lord had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. ³³And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

³⁴Whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, ³⁵the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL – *Psalm 117:1-2a; Psalm 96:8*



C Praise the Lord, all na - tions! Ex -



-tol him, all peo - ples! For great is his stead- fast love toward us, and the



faith-ful- ness of the Lord en-dures for - ev - er. A - scribe to the Lord the



glo-ry due his name; bring an of-fer-ing, and come in-to his courts!

SECOND LESSON – 2 Corinthians 3:12-18; 4:1-6 – We all, with unveiled face, behold the glory of God.

¹²Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, ¹³not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. . . .

¹Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ²But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only 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 what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and COMMON VERSE – *John 6:68*

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL – **Mark 9:2-9** – With Moses and Elijah at His side, Jesus reveals His glory.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the second chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." ⁸And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

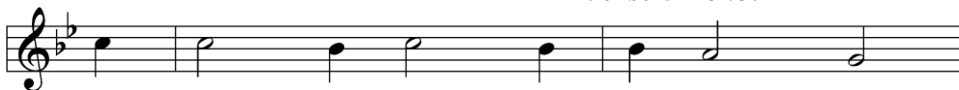
⁹And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY – LSB 413 – O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

Verse 3 - choir



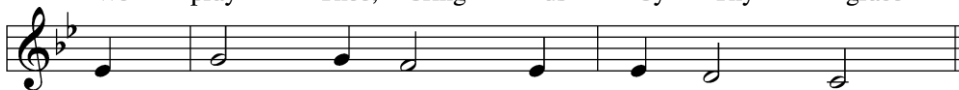
1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah high
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high
△ 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son



Of glo - ry that the Church may share,
The in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;
Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
By this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,
And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one,



Which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
And from the cloud the Ho - ly One
What glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
For which in joy - ful strains we raise
We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace



Where bright - er than the sun He glows!
Bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.
Who joy in God with per - fect love.
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
To see Thy glo - ry face to face.

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SERMON – *Le Grande Dieu* – Mark 9:2-9

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C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into

heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- A** ...Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- A** ...one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

OFFERING – *O God, Who on the Holy Mount* (arr. Robert Lehman)

OFFERTORY – *Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*


C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

*O God, Who on
the Holy Mount
(Book of
Common Prayer)*

*O God, who on
the holy mount
revealed to chosen
witnesses your
well-beloved Son,
wonderfully
transfigured, in
raiment white and
glistening:
Mercifully grant
that we, being
delivered from the
disquietude of this
world,
may by faith
behold the King in
his beauty;
who with you, O
Father, and you,
O Holy Spirit,
lives and reigns,
one God, for ever
and ever. Amen.*

✠ ✠ ✠ SACRAMENT ✠ ✠ ✠

PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.




C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.




C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS – *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



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



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



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

For Guests and Visitors Desiring the Sacrament

As a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, we confess, in accord with the Scriptures, that **in this sacred meal Jesus Himself is *truly* present to forgive our sin and strengthen our faith.**

Participation in this meal indicates that you **believe, have been baptized, and have been taught** according to our Lord's command **and are in doctrinal agreement** with this confession.

- **If you are visiting from outside the Lutheran Church or are new to the faith**, we welcome you to come to the altar with arms crossed to receive a blessing.
- **If you desire to receive instruction for the Lord's Supper**, please speak with one of our pastors.



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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P ...one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI – The Peace of the Lord – *John 20:19*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI – Lamb of God – *John 1:29*



C 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.

Distribution Notes:

If you need **gluten-free wafers**, please let one of the pastors know.

Non-alcoholic grape juice, containing *a trace amount of wine*, is available in the center of the tray.

DISTRIBUTION

Anthem – *My Eyes for Beauty Pine* (Herbert Howells)

LSB 631 – Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face



1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,
3 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;
Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;
This is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread for me;
An - oth - er arm but Thine to lean up - on.



Here grasp with firm - er hand the e - ter - nal grace,
Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long
It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on Thee lean.
Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.
The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with Thee.
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might a - lone.

5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.

7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

*My eyes for
beauty pine,
My soul for
God[’s] grace:
No other care nor
hope is mine,
To heaven I turn
my face.*

*One splendour
thence is shed
From all the
stars above :
'Tis named when
God's name is said,
'Tis Love,
'tis heavenly Love.*

*And every
gentle heart,
That burns with
true desire,
Is lit from eyes
that mirror part
Of that celestial fire.*

-Robert Seymour
Bridges (1844-1930)

LSB 537 – Beautiful Savior



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



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

LSB 680 – Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

Vs. 1: Women

Vs. 3: Choir

Vs. 2: Men

Vs. 4-5: All



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the
3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the
4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree
ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee
won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise
dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



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

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P We give thanks to You, almighty God ... one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

BENEDICTION – Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN – Farewell to Alleluia (arr. Donald Busarow)

The choir sings verses 1-3 and the congregation joins on verse 4.

Please rise during the interlude after verse 3.

1. *Alleluia, song of sweetness, voice of joy that cannot die;
 Alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high;
 In the house of God abiding thus they sing eternally.*
2. *Alleluia thou resoundest, true Jerusalem and free;
 Alleluia, joyful mother, all thy children sing with thee;
 But by Babylon's sad waters mourning exiles now are we.*



3. *Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below;
 Alleluia our transgressions make us for awhile forego;
 For the solemn time is coming when our tears for sin must flow.*



4. There-fore in our hymns we— pray Thee grant us, bless-ed



Trin - i - ty, At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter



in our home be-yond the— sky, There to Thee for - ev - er



sing - ing "Al - le - lu - ia" joy - ful - ly.

SILENT PRAYER / ANNOUNCEMENTS

POST-SERVICE MUSIC



TODAY, February 11

9:15am – Sunday School + Confirmation + Bible study

3:00-4:30pm – Jesus Company

MONDAY, February 12

5:30pm –School Board

6:30pm –Stewardship

TUESDAY, February 13

2:00pm – Quilting (kitchen)

5:15pm – First Steps in Music

5:45pm – Children’s Ministry Team

6:15pm – Children’s Choir

6:30pm – PPC

Senior Choir:
*Lauren Gaskins, Robert Gilbert, Joseph
 Ittoop, Kelly Johnson, Trevor Jones,
 Chelsea Kaminski, Carl Lenthe, Kathy
 Powell, Vern Rogers, Meera Popkin-
 Tarack, Tori Vilches, Gary Wohlfafka,
 Louise Wohlfafka*

Kearsen Erwin, Oboe



The altar flowers are given to the
 glory of God by **JD & Meghan
 Faulkner** in celebration of
 Sarabeth’s 10th birthday.

Ash WEDNESDAY



FEBRUARY 14
NOON & 7 PM

Worshippers may arrive up to 30 minutes before the service
to receive ashes on their foreheads
and to spend time in meditation and prayer.

THURSDAY, February 15

11:30am – JOY Group to Phat Daddy's BBQ (sign up on bulletin board)

SATURDAY, February 17

6:30pm – Chili Cookoff & Dessert Auction (sign up on the podium or at FaithBtown.org)



SATURDAY, February 24

11:00am – Secret Sisters Luncheon (Red Lobster)

Sign up on the podium or contact Emilia Brunner (812-272-0251 or pebrunner@bluemarble.net)



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