

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**The Transfiguration of Our Lord**  
*February 11, 2024*

**AS WE GATHER**

Within the pandemonium of the transfiguration, the voice speaks: “This is My beloved Son; listen to Him” (Mark 9:7). Moses is there and gone. Elijah is there and gone. The disciples are with Him on the mount and then head down into the valley. But the glory of the Lord will not depart. It will remain: lifted high upon the cross, revealed in the empty tomb, and placed upon the followers of Jesus. It is the Word that endures forever, the Word made flesh, and the Word who speaks through the voice of Scripture. The call remains: “Listen to Him.”

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 118:24

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**✠ PREPARATION ✠**

**HYMN “Beautiful Savior”**

*{LSB 537 - 4 verses}*

Beautiful Savior,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I’d serve Thee,

King of creation,  
Truly I’d love Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows,  
Robed in flow’rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is purer,

Fair are the woodlands,  
Jesus is fairer,  
He makes our sorr’wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines purer

Fair is the moonlight,  
Jesus shines brighter,  
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Praise, adoration

Lord of the nations,  
Glory and honor,  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

## INVOCATION

*(please stand)*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: The King in His might loves justice.

People: **You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Pastor: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;

People: **for the LORD our God is holy!**

*Silence for reflection.*

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **Amen.**

**☩ WORD ☩**

**INTROIT** *Antiphon, Psalm 99.9; Psalm 99:1-5*

Pastor: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at this holy mountain,

People: **for the Lord our God is holy.**

Pastor: The Lord reigns,

People: **let the nations tremble;**

Pastor: he sits enthroned between the cherubim,

**People:** let the earth shake.

Pastor: Great is the Lord in Zion;

**People:** he is exalted over all the nations.

Pastor: Let them praise your great and awesome name -

**People:** he is holy.

Pastor: The King is mighty, he loves justice -

**People:** you have established equity;

Pastor: in Jacob you have done

**People:** what is just and right.

Pastor: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his footstool,

**People:** he is holy.

**ALL:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at this holy mountain,

**People:** for the Lord our God is holy.

## KYRIE

Pastor: Lord, have mercy,

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Christ, have mercy,

**People:** Christ, have mercy.

Pastor: Lord, have mercy,

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

## SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

*(please be seated)*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 34:29-35**

*(Moses comes down the mountain with the Law in his hands and the glory of the Lord upon his face.)*

29 When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. 30 When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. 31 But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. 32 Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the Lord had given him on Mount Sinai. 33 When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. 34 But whenever he entered the Lord's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, 35 they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord.

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12-18; 4:1-6**

*(We all, with unveiled face, behold the glory of God.)*

12 Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. 13 We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. 14 But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. 15 Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. 16 But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

1 Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. 2 Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. 3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. 4 The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5 For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. 6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

*(With Moses and Elijah at His side, Jesus reveals His glory.) (please stand)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

2 After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. 3 His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. 4 And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. 5 Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters - one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." 6 (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) 7 Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" 8 Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.** *(please be seated)*

## **HYMN: "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"**

*{LSB 413 – 5 verses}*

O wondrous type! O vision fair  
Which Christ upon the mountain shows,

Of glory that the Church may share,  
Where brighter than the sun He glows!

With Moses and Elijah nigh  
And from the cloud the Holy One

The incarnate Lord holds converse high;  
Bears record to the only Son.

With shining face and bright array  
What glory shall be theirs above

Christ deigns to manifest today  
Who joy in God with perfect love.

And faithful hearts are raised on high  
For which in joyful strains we raise

By this great vision's mystery,  
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

*(please stand)*

O Father, with the eternal Son  
We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace

And Holy Spirit ever one,  
To see Thy glory face to face.

**MESSAGE: "Seeing God's Kingdom Come"**

**Mark 9:2-9**

## **OFFERING**

If you are a **visitor** this morning, you are our guest. Please do not feel obligated to give as the offering plate is passed. The offering is an opportunity for **members** to practice faithful stewardship and to support the ministries of Christ's church. Also, a red booklet, the Friendship Register, will be passed down each row. Please record your presence with us today.

**OFFERING SONG: "We Give Thee But Thine Own" (LSB 781 - vv. 1-2)**

(Please sing as the offering is presented at the Altar)

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blesest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*(please stand)*

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs . . . Lord, in your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer**

**Pastor:** Into your hands, O Father, we commend all for who we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has taught us to pray . . .

## 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.**

## LITANY ON ALLELUIA

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the prophets of old;  
**People: Christ is coming; prepare His way.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said angels and shepherds;  
**People: Christ is born; the Word made flesh is come to earth.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the Magi from the East;  
**People: Christ is King; bow down in worship and bring offerings to Him.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the Baptizer John;  
**People: Christ is here; the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the servants and disciples;  
**People: Christ is Lord; revealed clearly in water changed to wine.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the people;  
**People: Christ is Messiah; fulfilled of God's promise and the prophets' word.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the fishermen;  
**People: Christ is Master; follow Him and fish for men.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the sick and suffering;  
**People: Christ is healer; trust Him for healing and hope in Him for life brand new.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the students;  
**People: Christ is teacher; listen to His word and wisdom.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said Moses and Elijah;  
**People: Christ is God; the Light of Light has come to shine on us the love from on high.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the apostles, standing on the mountain high;  
**People: Christ is shining; in this glory let us stay.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," said the Savior, "Christ means suffering";  
**People: Down the mount the Lord must go and meet the death that awaits Him in the valley below.**

Pastor: "Alleluia," bids the Savior, "follow Me and be not afraid";  
**People: Christ reveals greater glory hidden in the cross and grave; there we find salvation's story and there we find the hope which saves.**

## SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## BENEDICTION

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

**People: Amen.** *(please be seated)*

## HYMN: “Alleluia, Song of Gladness”

*{LSB 417 – 4 verses}*

Alleluia, song of gladness,  
Alleluia is the anthem  
In the house of God abiding

Voice of joy that cannot die;  
Ever raised by choirs on high;  
Thus they sing eternally.

Alleluia, thou resoundest,  
Alleluia, joyful mother,  
But by Babylon’s sad waters

True Jerusalem and free;  
All thy children sing with thee,  
Mourning exiles now are we.

Alleluia cannot always  
Alleluia, our transgressions  
For the solemn time is coming

Be our song while here below;  
Make us for a while forgo;  
When our tears for sin must flow.

Therefore in our hymns we pray Thee,  
At the last to keep Thine Easter  
There to Thee forever singing

Grant us, blessèd Trinity,  
With Thy faithful saints on high;  
Alleluia joyfully.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs...

**Linda Fults**

Prayers for **Pastor Stephen DeMik** as he prays for your wisdom & discernment, leading him in the path you have set before him, open his heart, his mind & his ears to your plans for him

Prayers for **Karla Marchell** in the hospital recovering from surgery & husband **Kirk** caring for her

Prayers for **Sue Knott** recovering from knee replacement & **Rory** as he cares for her

Prayers for **Gerry Zumm** & his **medical team** as he has a heart procedure on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>

Prayers from **Joyce Meier** & her **medical team** as she is having heart tests this week ahead of knee replacement surgery in the future

**David & Sue Theis** request prayers for **granddaughter – Elizabeth Tobaben** hospitalized & undergoing test at college

Tony & Kathy Giardinelli request prayers for their extended family members of **Shannon**, who passed away from cancer, **Bryan, Emily & Matthew** as they mourn the loss wife & mother

Prayers for **John Soper** going through wound healing outpatient process

Evonn Hughes requests prayers for Elaine Long for a peaceful passing as she is in hospice with stage four bladder cancer

Prayers for **Chris Carter** & his **medical team** as he is experiencing seizures

**Mike Gissi** requests prayers for **Dorothy Hoy**

Prayers for **Gloria Bloecher** & her **medical team** as she remains in their care

**Karen Brosien** requests prayers for her Father for healing after surgery, a brother in Northeast Texas, & the **medical teams** caring for her family members

**Laura Sanders** requests continued prayers for her Father, **Jack**

**Debra Beard** requests prayers for her Brother, **Tod Dunlevy** in Wisconsin, & his **medical team** as he remains in the hospital

Prayers for **Gus Addington** for continued healing following reconstructive surgery

**Rutledge Family** requests prayers for Sister-in-Law **Heather Muledy** battling breast cancer

**Mario & Eve Betancourt** requests prayers for **Reese Richeson**, undergoing treatment for cancer

**Prayers for Justice & Peace around the world**

For family discord, reconciliation, & healing; for rescue for those in abusive relationships

Prayers for all those with physical, emotional, or other needs

Prayers for all who are lost to hear & receive Jesus' Gospel message

**Into your hands, O Father, we commend all for who we pray, trusting in Your mercy; thru Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**FEBRUARY ALTAR FLOWERS**

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> – Ernie & Marilyn Mazurek – celebrating 3<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary

Feb 11<sup>th</sup> – Mario & Eve Betancourt – celebrating Juliet's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday

Feb 11<sup>th</sup> – Kathy Giardinelli – celebrating Tony's birthday

Feb 18<sup>th</sup> – Anthony & Pam Sansone – celebrating 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary

**Feb 25<sup>th</sup> - open**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS!

**WELCOME** . . . *Whoever you are . . . Wherever you have come from . . . we are so glad you are here!*

*Your presence increases our joy as we praise our loving Savior together. If you are visiting with us today, we'd love to get to know you! Please don't forget to sign your name and fill in your contact information in the red booklets on the inside aisle!*

**Pastor's Bible Study in the BEGIN Book** - Pastor will continue with *The Gospel According to John*.

**Messiah's Adult Bible Study** - Sunday's Bible Study will discuss, "**The Christophany of Jesus in the Old Testament**". Most of the heroes of faith, model Jesus in one way or another, including Isaac, Joseph, Boaz, and others. Join us today for this interesting study.

**Mark Your Calendar** – **Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday – Worship Service at 6:30 pm.**  
*The Fellowship Committee will be hosting a Soup Supper beginning at 5:30 am. You will have a choice of 4 or 5 different soups, breads (including cornbread) and desserts in celebration of the upcoming Lenten Season.*

**Issues, Etc.** *Sacred Music For The Season Of Lent . . . “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,” “In the Cross of Christ I Glory,” “My Song Is Love Unknown,” “A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth.”*  
*Beginning Ash Wednesday, you can listen to sacred music for the season of Lent 24/7 at [lutheranpublicradio.org](http://lutheranpublicradio.org), TuneIn, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.*

### **Upcoming Events** -

*February 17th - Valentine Lunch for Everyone - Altstadt Brewery*

*February 21st & 28th - Lent Services*

*March 6th & 13th & 20th - Lent Services*

*March 7<sup>th</sup> – Ladies Time Out Lunch at Rivulet*

*March 9<sup>th</sup> – Adult Game Day in the Family Life Center*

*March 16th - Mission Aviation Fellowship - Texas Event in Granbury, Tx*

*March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Outing for All to the Café on the Ridge in Kerrville*

*March 24th - Palm Sunday - March 28th - Maundy Thursday - March 29th - Good Friday*

*March 31st - Easter Sunday*

# TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

And he was transfigured before them,  
and his clothes became radiant,  
intensely white, as no one on earth  
could bleach them.

MARK 9:2-3, ESV

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**Serving us Today – February 11, 2024**

Elders:	Larry Risley & Ed Mycock
Coffee:	Maurice Doublet
Treats:	Vonda Petmecky
Tellers:	Anthony Sansone
Chancel Care:	Kim & Maurine Maloy
Message:	Pastor Richard Lofgren
Kid’s Message:	Pastor Richard Lofgren
Musician:	Bob Shoaf
AV:	Roger & Kathryn Winkelmann
Reader:	Pam Fields
Ushers:	Dennis & Sue Parker – Vonda Petmecky – Mike Stender
Greeter:	Sue Theis – Verna Sorensen – Kathlin Jauregui

**Serving us Ash Wednesday – February 14, 2024**

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Soup Supper	Messiah’s Fellowship Committee
Tellers:	Anthony Sansone
Chancel Care:	Kim & Maurine Maloy
Message:	Pastor Richard Lofgren
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Reader:	Kathleen Blakely
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Greeter:	Lindy Eschenko

**Our Response to God Last Week**

**Worship Attendance: 100 Sunday School: 35**

<b>Corrected January 2024 Contributions</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>\$45,125.00</b>	<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>\$4,445.00</b>
<b>Renovation Fund</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>Family Life Center</b>	<b>\$2,475.00</b>