

Transfiguration

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Liturgy: WS p. 12

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THIS IS MY
BELOVED SON
WITH WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED.



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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: WS #720

"Oh, Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair"

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

C Amen.

P Pastor

Confession of Our Sins

C Congregation

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful & need His forgiveness.

P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin and take away my guilt.

Have mercy
on me, *O God,*
according to your
steadfast *love.*


P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will!

C Amen!

The Kyrie & The Gloria Patri

Latin for "Lord, Have Mercy" and "Glory be to the Father"





C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,

Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing,
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:

We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
 Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,

Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Collect Prayer of the Day

P 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.

G Amen.



Exodus 24:8-18

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." ⁹ Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰ and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for

clearness. ¹¹ And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. ¹² The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³ So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them." ¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Sunday School Children

"There Is a Name I Love to Hear"



2 Peter 1:16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," ¹⁸ we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹ And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰ knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

***These words are written that we may believe that
Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

C **I BELIEVE**

in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

Hymn: TLH #285

"How Precious Is the Book Divine"



Matthew 17:1-9

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. ³ And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁵ He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were



terrified. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." ⁸ And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. ⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

Who Is Jesus?

The Offertory

- C** *♫ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.*

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Hymn: TLH #257

"Jesus, Brightness of the Father"

✠ The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer ✠

The Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The blessing given by God for His people.

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

C Amen!

Hymn: WS #719

"Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

Lent Begins – Lent begins this Wednesday at 6:30 pm with our Ash Wednesday Communion Service. We will again be participating in a pulpit exchange with three other CLC congregations. Our Lenten theme will be "Assurances from Jesus' Final Words." Be sure to set your Wednesday evenings aside this Lent so that the Lord may prepare your hearts to rejoice once more in His death and resurrection for you.

Call for CLC Nominations – The deadline is March 31 for nominations to CLC offices at our upcoming synod convention, June 25-28, 2026. Pastors, professors, male teachers, and voters of congregations within the Church of the Lutheran

Confession are invited to nominate individuals for the following synodical offices: CLC President, CLC Vice-President, CLC Moderator, CLC Secretary, Called Servants for the Board of Trustees, Regents, Missions, and Education, Lay Members for the Board of Trustees, Regents, Missions, and Education. An online nomination form and accompanying information is available at clclutheran.net/nominations.

CLC Call News – Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck has **accepted** the vacancy call to Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church, Red Wing, MN. <> Seminarian Sam Radermacher, in conjunction with his vicarship under Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA, has **received** the summer vacancy call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA. <> Teacher Claire Abbas of Berea Ev. Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN, has **returned** the call to Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY. <> Pastor Timothy Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Hecla, SD, Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD, and Redeemer Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD, has **returned** the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Paul Agenten of Calvary Lutheran Church, Marquette, MI, and St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Iron River, MI, has **returned** the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI. <> Pastor Johnathan Schnose of Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church, Morris, MN, has **returned** the call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA. <> Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has **received** the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ. <> Pastor Ted Barthels of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Austin, MN, has announced his **retirement** as of April 30, 2026.

Ushers	2/15	Phil S, Nathan V, Anthony F, Daniel R.
	2/22	Trevor B, Tim Z, Josh E, Christian K, David R.
	3/1	Kendall B, Larry B.
Cleaning		This Week – The Albrechts (wk. 2)
		Up Next – The Eigenbergs

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

February 16th - 21st, 2026

Mon Matthew 17:1-9 With Jesus on the mountain, Peter, James, and John beheld the Lord's glory as He spoke with Moses and Elijah. His face and clothing shined, but His word was what they should listen to.

Tues 2 Peter 1:16-21 Years later Peter still remembers the Lord's heavenly majesty on that special mountain, but he points us to the prophetic word, which is like a lamp shining in a dark place (v19).

Wed Matthew 6:16-18 Ash Wednesday. As we prepare for Easter with a season of penitence, may fasting and all our customs be acts of repentance and thanksgiving, not mere shows to gain earthly honor.

Thurs Matthew 6:19-21 There are treasures on earth and there are treasures in heaven. Those in heaven outlast anything on earth, are far more worthy of our heart's desire, and freely ours in Christ.

Fri Isaiah 59:12-21 Our many sins are in fact rebellion against the Lord (vv12-15). The Lord sees there is none to work salvation, so His own arm will work salvation for Zion (vv16-21). Thanks be to God!

Sat Psalm 51 As we recognize with David our need for cleansing, we turn to a gracious God, asking Him to create a clean heart within us (v12), that our joy in His salvation may be shared with other sinners (v13).

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