

**The Transfiguration of Our Lord**  
**February 19, 2023**  
**Made Even More Certain**

**As We Gather** - In one sense, the Transfiguration of Our Lord provides a sort of climax to the first part of the story of Jesus in the liturgical year. In the glorious vision, Moses and Elijah appear as if to prove that everything written in the Bible in the Law and the Prophets has come true in the advent and appearance of Jesus, "true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary" (explanation of the Second Article). Yet this climactic event is not yet the true and complete climax of the story, but a transition now into the season of Lent and the road to the true climax: the cross of Good Friday, the resurrection of Easter, His ascension into heaven, and the sending of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. There is so much more to tell. This brief glimpse of glory and Peter's eyewitness account is to give us the strength and encouragement now to bring the story to completion in us, that we become witnesses in possession of the glorious hope of eternal life through the forgiveness of our sins.

**Offering and Registry of Worship Cards: (Sunday Only)** Please fill out a Registry of Worship Card found in the pew racks. We ask that you print the names of every person in your family, indicating if they take communion. One side of the card is for members and the other side for guests. As the offering is collected, pass the cards to the center aisle so our ushers can gather them.

**Saturday Worship:** Offerings and Worship Cards will be received in the offering plates at the rear of the church either upon entering or when leaving. Thank you for your gift to the work of the Lord.

**About Protecting the Healthy:** To protect yourself and others from COVID-19 and other infectious respiratory diseases, individuals may choose to mask at any time. Appropriate hand washing by everyone is encouraged. People with symptoms of an infectious illness are highly encouraged to stay home. Symptoms include fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. Thank you for helping to keep everyone healthy as we receive God's gifts in worship.

**GENERALLY, BE MINDFUL, NOT FEARFUL.**

**Prelude and Meditation:** Before worship we talk to God (see prayers on page 308 in the hymnal); during worship God talks to us; after worship we talk to one another.

**Prelude:**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
The Greeting and Sharing of Peace *(stand)*

**PREPARATION**

**Hymn of Invocation:**

**'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here**

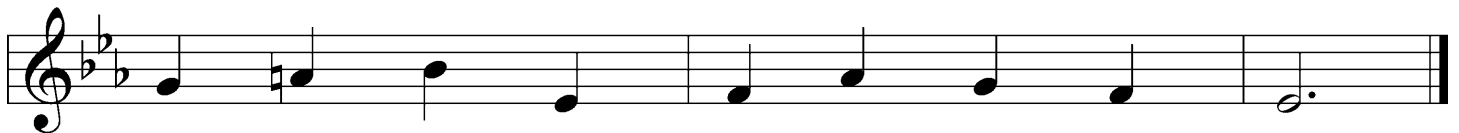
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1	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Thy
2	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here,	Thy
3	Ful -	fill -	er	of	the	past	And
4	Be -	fore	we	taste	of	death,	We
5	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Yet



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

**Invocation**

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

**C** Amen.

**Opening Sentences**

*Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8*

**P** Praise the LORD, all nations!

**C** Extol Him, all peoples!

**P** For great is His steadfast love toward us,  
**C** **and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**

**P** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;  
**C** **bring an offering, and come into His courts!**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*2 Peter 1:19*

**P** That we may enter into the holy presence of Christ, let us confess our sins that we may be made the righteousness of God.

**C** **We confess to You, almighty God, our blindness to Your glory and our reluctance to seek Your grace. We have sinned against You and our neighbors by our own fault in both our thoughtless actions as well as the good we have failed to do. For the sake of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, forgive us. Renew our hearts, enliven us in spirit, and let us see Your glorious mercy.**

**P** “We have something more sure, the prophetic word, 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.” In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I 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*

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the LORD our God is holy!  
The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!  
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!  
The LORD is great in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the peoples.  
Let them praise your great and awesome name!  
Holy is he!  
The King in his might loves justice.  
You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.  
Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool!  
Holy is he!

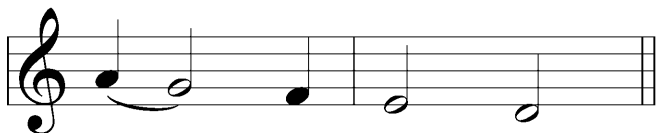
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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

## Kyrie

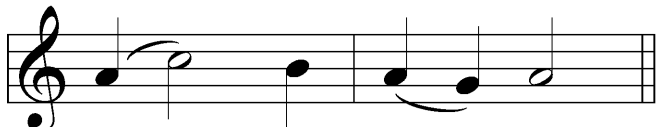
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**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



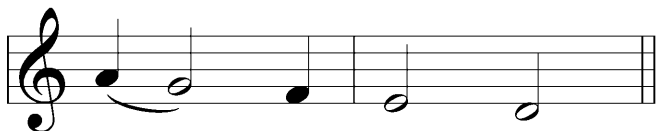
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



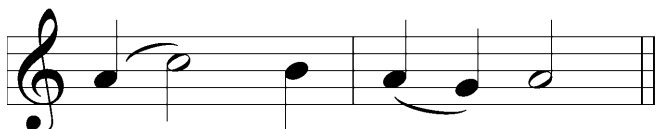
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** 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.



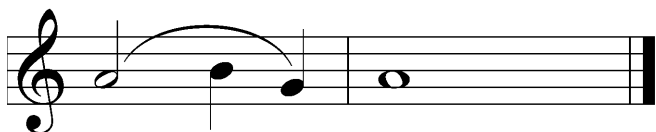
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** 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.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## Gloria in Excelsis

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

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.

## Salutation

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**P** 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.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 24:8–18*

<sup>8</sup>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."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

<sup>12</sup>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." <sup>13</sup>So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>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."

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm for Transfiguration

*Psalm 2:6–12; antiphon: v. 6*

**P** “As for Me, I have set My King on Zion, My holy hill.”

**C** **“As for Me, I have set My King on Zion, My holy hill.”**

**P** I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to Me, “You are My Son;  
today I have begotten You.

Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth Your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear,  
and rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son,  
lest He be angry, and you perish in the way,  
for His wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessèd are all who take refuge in Him.

**C** **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.**

**“As for Me, I have set My King on Zion, My holy hill.”**

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## Epistle

*2 Peter 1:16–21*

<sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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,” <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain.

<sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, 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

risers in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>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.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## **Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 17:1–9*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>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." <sup>5</sup>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." <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>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."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **Nicene Creed**

**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.

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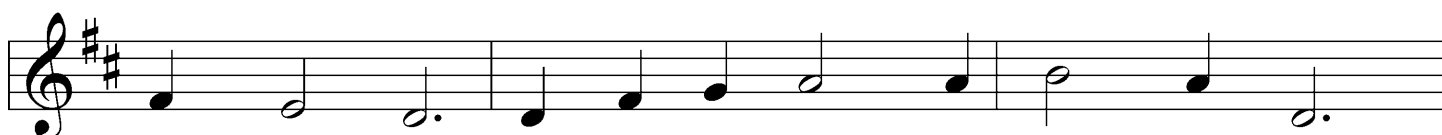
## Hymn of the Day:

## Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

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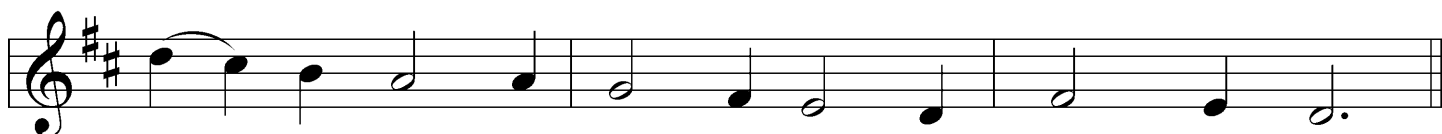
1 Je - sus, Thy bound - less love to me No thought can reach, no  
2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul May dwell, but Thy pure  
3 This love un - wea - ried I pur - sue And daunt - less - ly to  
4 In suf - f'ring be Thy love my peace, In weak - ness be Thy



tongue de - clare; U - nite my thank - ful heart to Thee,  
love a - lone; Oh, may Thy love pos - sess me whole,  
Thee as - pire. Oh, may Thy love my hope re - new,  
love my pow'r; And when the storms of life shall cease,



And reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly, Thine a -  
My joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness from my  
Burn in my soul like heav'n - ly fire! And day and night, be  
O Je - sus, in that fi - nal hour, Be Thou my rod and



lone I am; Be Thou a - lone my con - stant flame.  
heart re - move; My ev - 'ry act, word, thought be love.  
all my care To guard this sa - cred trea - sure there.  
staff and guide, And draw me safe - ly to Thy side!

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**Sermon:**

**"A Lamp in a Dark Place"**

**2 Peter 1:16-21**

**Gathering of Our Tithes and Offerings (*Sunday Only*)**

**Registry of Worship Cards (*Sunday Only*)** – *Please pass your completed cards to the center aisle.*

**Offertory: (*Sunday Only*)**

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**Prayer of the Church**

- P** Almighty and merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give You thanks for revealing to the world Your goodness and mercy in the gift of Your beloved Son. Being of one substance with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, He has revealed Your glory chiefly in His sacrifice on the cross for the life of the world. Make us certain that because He died and lives again, we and all who trust in Him are now given eternal life in the forgiveness of our sin. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** By Your Word and Spirit, rule and govern Your holy Church throughout the world and her pastors and ministers in order that we may be preserved in the pure doctrine of Your saving Word and may be strengthened in faith and love. Send forth laborers into Your harvest that Your kingdom be extended to all nations. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Grant Your help and protection to all who are in the authority of government, bless our country that righteousness and peace abound that we may lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Comfort with Your Holy Spirit all who are in trouble, want, sickness, or any adversity, that they may receive healing of body and mind and peace in their souls. Bless all medical professionals and emergency workers and all who supply the needy in any way. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** We give thanks for all Your prophets and apostles who have faithfully delivered Your Word through the ages, and for all Your witnesses who have gone before us and are now with You in Your divine presence. Keep us in the sure faith and hope of Your Word that we may one day look upon our Savior face-to-face in the glory of eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

**SACRAMENT**

# Preface

*LSB 177*

**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.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

LSB 178

**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.

## 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

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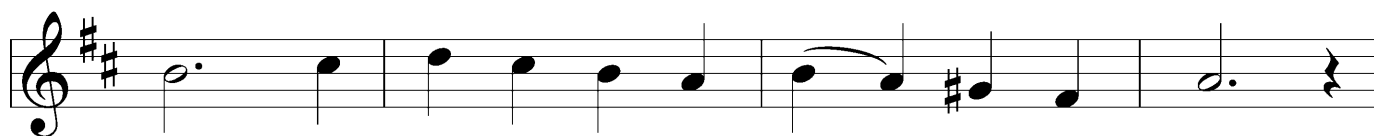
**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



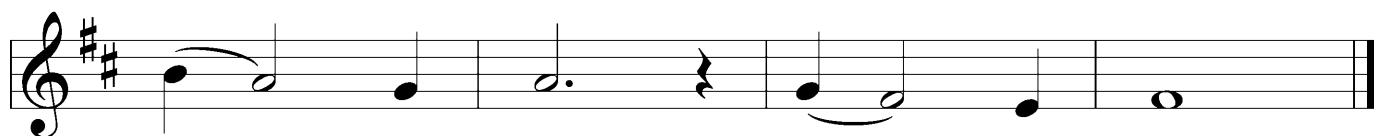
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Distribution

## Distribution Hymns

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

LSB 796 **When in Our Music God Is Glorified**

LSB 400 **Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning**

*Stand*

### Thank the Lord

LSB 181

**☐** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
He has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-  
joice and proud-ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks-  
giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

### Post-Communion Thanksgiving

**(Saturday)**

**☐** Let us pray together.

**☐** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

## **(Sunday)**

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## **Benediction**

*LSB 183*

**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** A

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men.

## **Farewell to Alleluia**

**P** On this day, alleluias are sung for the last time in the Church until the resurrection of our Lord. Alleluia is not heard during Lent as we turn in penitence to the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ to be renewed in our baptismal faith. Though every Sunday is a "little Easter," we restrain our praise until Easter Sunday, when all of Christendom joins in singing alleluias to our King. Let us now raise our voices in song as we anticipate not only our coming Easter celebration, but that ultimate feast of victory when we shall all sing "alleluia" with saints and angels, cherubim and seraphim, Moses and Elijah, apostles, martyrs, prophets, and all the company of heaven before the Lamb on His throne.

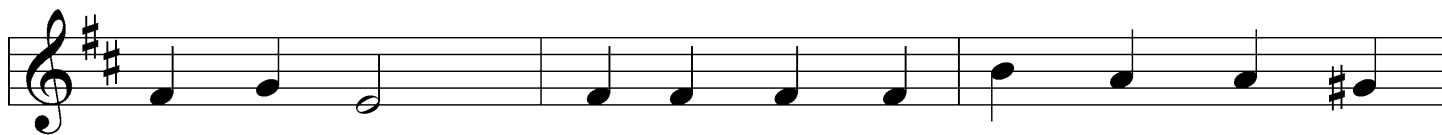
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## Alleluia, Song of Gladness

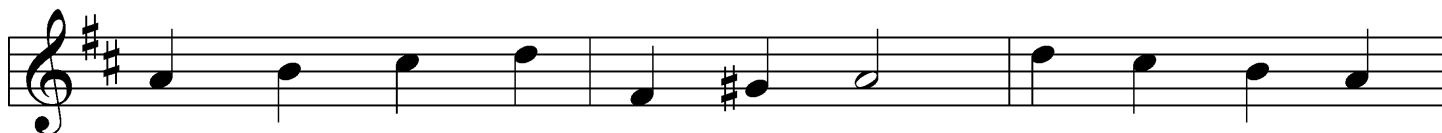
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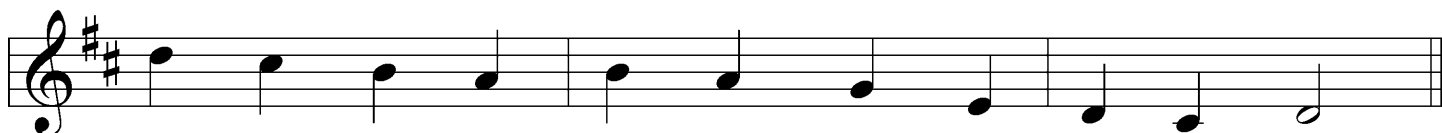
1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, Voice of joy that  
2 Al - le - lu - ia, thou re - sound - est, True Je - ru - sa -  
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways Be our song while  
4 There - fore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; Al - le - lu - ia is the an - them  
lem and free; Al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er,  
here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia, our trans - gres - sions  
Trin - i - ty, At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter



Ev - er raised by choirs on high; In the house of  
All thy chil - dren sing with thee, But by Bab - y -  
Make us for a while for - go; For the sol - emn  
With Thy faith - ful saints on high; There to Thee for -



God a - bid - ing Thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
lon's sad wa - ters Mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.  
time is com - ing When our tears for sin must flow.  
ev - er sing - ing Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

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## LEADING AND ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

**Pastor** ..... Pastor Christopher Hazzard

**Organist** ..... Carol Ceaglske



## ***Saturday***

**Elder** ..... Lee Crapo  
**Lector** ..... Geri Slaten/Rick Smith  
**Audio** ..... Lee Crapo/Robin Fox

## ***Sunday***

**Elder** ..... Fred Sterns  
**Lector** ..... Kim Kaniecki  
**Greeter** ..... Pat Hurd  
**Audio** ..... Kyle Welch  
**Video** ..... Video TD: Kris Welch  
GFX/ Stream: Robin Fox  
**Altar Guild** ..... Rita and George Czanko

## **LEADING AND ASSISTING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY**

**Pastor** ..... Pastor Christopher Hazzard  
**Organist** ..... Carol Ceaglske  
**Elder** ..... Steve Rosane  
**Lector** ..... Jon Lindstrom  
**Greeter** .....  
**Audio** ..... Maria Hazzard  
**Video** ..... Video TD: Kris Welch  
GFX: / Stream: Robin Fox  
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## **ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS FROM LAST WEEK**

Saturday Worship Attendance ..... 33  
Sunday Worship Attendance ..... 129  
Envelope and Loose Plate Offerings ..... \$6,415.00  
Simply Giving/Vanco ..... \$0  
Paypal Offerings ..... \$0  
Website (ShareFaith) ..... \$0  
**Total of Offerings Received** ..... \$6,415.00  
Misc. Income, Memorials and Special Gifts ..... \$634.00

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH - Transfiguration of Our Lord** – The transfigured Jesus came down the mountain. He did not camp His glory in a comfortable status quo but put it to work accompanying His loved ones into adversity. So let us take hold of this Gospel and invite our neighbors to leave behind the seeming ease of abortion or assisted suicide. And let us find the blessed life Jesus reveals even in surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis.

**FLOWER SPONSOR**– No Flower Sponsor this week.

**BULLETIN SPONSOR** – No Bulletin Sponsor this week.

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR (SUNDAY)** – Team 6 is serving today; team 1 will serve next week. Everyone is invited. There is no charge and a freewill offering is voluntary.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY (SUNDAY)** – There will be a congregational meeting today, Sunday, February 19, after service in the Fellowship Hall.

**COMMUNICATIONS MEETING** – The Communications Board will meet next Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, after service.

**STEWARDSHIP MEETING** – The Stewardship Committee will meet next Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, after service.

**MARY MARTHA SPRING LUNCHEON** - Mary Martha will be hosting their Spring Luncheon on Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, at Huntington Hills Country Club at 2626 Duff Road, Lakeland. Mary Martha will hold our regular monthly meeting at 10 am, then depart to Huntington Hills for an arrival time of 11:30 am. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend our luncheon, and if interested in our guild, a great day to check us out! Our entree selection is as follows: Club Wrap, Tuscan Chicken Salad, Haddock sandwich, or a Hamburger. All of these choices are \$15.95 each and include a side and a drink. This does not include tax and tip! They will accept cash or cards; sign-up sheet is in the narthex for your selection of meal. Payment is made at the restaurant the day of the luncheon.

**LWML RALLY - Ladies, come fly with us!** Our Savior, Zephyrhills & the LWML Winter Haven Zone invite you to join us for "Divine Destinations" with Wisconsin based musician and speaker Wendysue Fluegge on Saturday March 4th from 9 - 1:30 in Zephyrhills! (5626 20th Street). We've little control over routing, turbulence, or lost luggage, but we can trust THE PILOT! Through music, messages, activities and discussion, we'll prepare for this flight and our final destination. Oxygen masks, seat belts, and lunch will be provided. Buckle up for a wild ride! *"Those who hope in the Lord will*

*renew their strength, soar on wings like eagles, run and not grow weary, walk and not be faint" Isaiah 40:31.* Our Gifts from the Heart is Caterpillars to Butterflies. Their mission is to provide resources to children in foster care. We are collecting kids PJs in all sizes, underwear & socks for toddler to age 6, cash and gift cards. Registration is \$10, recommend \$3 for the YWR program. Sign up on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board.

**FREE T-SHIRTS** – Thrivent t-shirts are available for free on a table in the Fellowship Hall during Fellowship. Any left at the end of the month will be donated to the Honduras Orphanage or Talbot House.

**DREAM CENTER VOLUNTEERS** – Volunteers are needed to help check- in and sort items here at Christ Lutheran for the Dream Center. Please see or contact Robin Fox at 863-513-4774 to schedule a day and time to volunteer.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-** Volunteers are needed for the Hot Dog Stand starting Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> on Baseball Parking Days for about four hours. This is a wonderful way to get outdoors, interact with others, and raise funds for the missions we support. For more information contact Charlene Rosane at 863-660-1689 or email her at [rosanecharl@gmail.com](mailto:rosanecharl@gmail.com)

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** - Mary Martha will be holding a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, March 11 from 4-7 pm. We will have both sit down, take out and drive up options available! The cost is \$10 per person /\$5 for children 12 and under. The meal includes spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, roll, dessert and a drink. We will be selling tickets after Sunday worship service! Our mission for this event is Trinity Church Orlando Comfort Dogs ministry.

**RUMMAGE SALE** - The Outreach committee and Mary Martha will be holding a rummage sale in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, March 25. Please start gathering the treasures you would like to donate! Collection times will be posted at a later date.

**FLOWER CHART FOR 2023** - The 2023 Flower Chart is on the Bulletin Board in the Narthex. You can sign up to place flowers in the Altar area in honor of someone, birthdays and anniversaries or any other occasions. Please put your name and what occasion the flowers are for, so it can be noted in the Bulletins. If you have any questions call Barbara Miller 863-858-5790

**RECIPES WANTED** - Mary Martha is collecting favorite recipes for the Church Cookbook. If you have a favorite recipe and would be willing to share it, please write it legibly, sign your name on it and put it in the box located in the Narthex. There is no limit to number of recipes you can submit.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP** – If you are a seasonal visitor and would be interested in an Associate Membership with Christ Lutheran, please see an Elder.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY** – For those that are not aware, our church member directory is now available online. Please see the flyer sheets in the narthex for more information or email Kim Kaniecki at [stewardship@clclakeland.org](mailto:stewardship@clclakeland.org).

**GREETERS NEEDED** – Volunteers are needed to be Greeters in the Narthex to welcome guest and members as they enter for service. If you are interested, please sign up on the sign-up sheet on the Bulletin Board.

**TRUSTEE VOLUNTEER DAY** – If you are interested in volunteering to help with maintenance around the church, please contact Sandy Spanier at 863-665-5572.

**NAMETAGS** – We would like to encourage all our members to please wear their nametags to church. If you can't find your nametag or don't have one, please sign-up for one on the bulletin board in the Narthex of the church.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER- Matthew 17:8 – “And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.”** Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

### THIS WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Tuesday .....	Trustee/Volunteer Work Day 9 am-Noon Quilters @ 10 am
Wednesday .....	Dream Center @ Christ Lutheran In Person & ZOOM Bible Study @ Noon Private Communion 1:30 – 2:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service @ 6:30 pm Choir @ 7:30 pm
Thursday .....	Paper Pumpkin @ 6:30 pm
Friday .....	Church Office Closed, Pastor's Day Off
Saturday .....	Baseball Parking Worship @ 5:30 pm
Sunday .....	Bible Study @ 8:30 am Worship Service @ 10 am Bible Study @ 11:15 am Communications Meeting Stewardship Meeting