Our Savior Lutheran Church Mankato, Minnesota

The Transfiguration of Our Lord February 19, 2023

At Our Savior Lutheran Church we live to make Christ known.

Monthly Memory Verse:

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.

1 Timothy 2:5

Weekly Discussion Question:

The following verse says "who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time." What does Jesus do as our mediator?

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn: "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

LSB 814

- O bless the Lord, my soul!
 Let all within me join
 And aid my tongue to bless His name
 Whose favors are divine.
- O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mercies lie Forgotten in unthankfulness And without praises die!
- 3 'Tis He forgives thy sins;'Tis He relieves thy pain;'Tis He that heals thy sicknessesAnd makes thee young again.

- He crowns thy life with love
 When ransomed from the grave;
 He that redeemed my soul from hell
 Hath sov'reign pow'r to save.
- He fills the poor with good;
 He gives the suff'rers rest.
 The Lord hath judgments for the proud And justice for th'oppressed.
- His wondrous works and ways
 He made by Moses known,
 But sent the world His truth and grace
 By His belovèd Son.

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- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

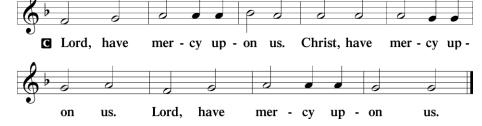
- **P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution LSB 185

Service of the Word

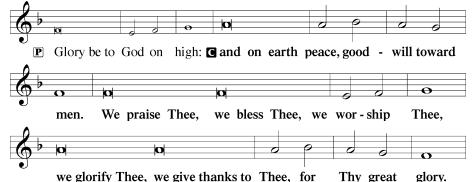


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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect 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.



Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:8–18

⁸And 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."

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

¹²The 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." ¹³So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴And 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."

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The 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. ¹⁷Now 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. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 2:6–12

6"As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."

⁷I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son;

today I have begotten you.

⁸Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

⁹You shall break them with a rod of iron

and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

¹⁰Now therefore, O kings, be wise;

be warned, O rulers of the earth.

¹¹Serve the LORD with fear,

and rejoice with trembling.

¹²Kiss 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.

Gloria Patri

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.

Epistle 2 *Peter 1:16–21*

¹⁶For 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. ¹⁷For 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," ¹⁸we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹And 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, ²⁰knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "Send Forth Thy Light/Create in Me"

Introductory Choir

Alleluia LSB 190



Holy Gospel Matthew 17:1–9

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



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

⁹And 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.



Nicene Creed

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.

Hymn of the Day: "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"

LSB 413

- O wondrous type! O vision fair Of glory that the Church may share, Which Christ upon the mountain shows, Where brighter than the sun He glows!
- With Moses and Elijah nigh
 The_incarnate Lord holds converse high;
 And from the cloud the Holy One
 Bears record to the only Son.
- 3 With shining face and bright array Christ deigns to manifest today What glory shall be theirs above Who joy in God with perfect love.
- 4 And faithful hearts are raised on high By this great vision's mystery, For which in joyful strains we raise The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
- △ 5 O Father, with the_eternal Son
 And Holy Spirit ever one,
 We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace
 To see Thy glory face to face.
 Text: Sarum Breviary, 1495, Salisbury; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.

Sermon

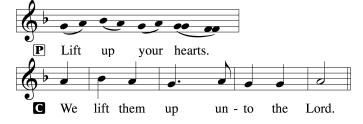
Offertory LSB 192

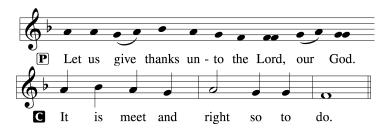


Prayer of the Church

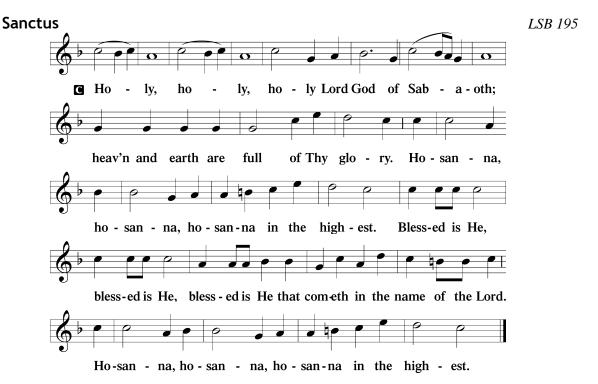
Service of the Sacrament





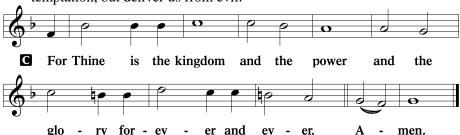


It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and 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 saying:



LSB 196

P 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.



The Words of Our Lord

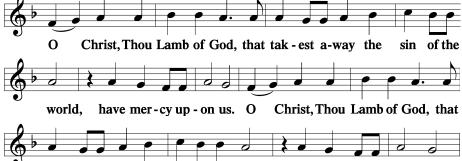
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P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



Q A - men. **Agnus Dei** *LSB 198*



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.





Distribution Hymns:

"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

LSB 435

- Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the fall;
 Here a pure and healing fountain Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.
- Come in poverty and meanness,
 Come defiled, without, within;
 From infection and uncleanness,
 From the leprosy of sin,
 Wash your robes and make them white;
 Ye shall walk with God in light.
- 3 Come in sorrow and contrition,
 Wounded, impotent, and blind;
 Here the guilty, free remission,
 Here the troubled, peace may find.
 Health this fountain will restore;
 They that drink shall thirst no more.
- They that drink shall live forever;
 'Tis a soul-renewing flood.
 God is faithful; God will never
 Break His covenant of blood,
 Signed when our Redeemer died,
 Sealed when He was glorified.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt. Text: Public domain

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

LSB 873

1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true and only light, Sun of righteousness, arise; Triumph o'er the shades of night. Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

- 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn Unaccompanied by Thee; Joyless is the day's return Till Thy mercy's beams I see, Till they inward light impart, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
- Visit then this soul of mine,
 Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
 Fill me, radiancy divine,
 Scatter all my unbelief;
 More and more Thyself display,
 Shining to the perfect day.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88

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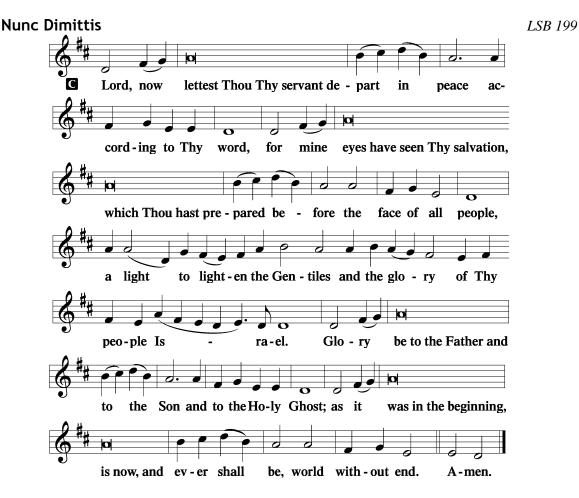
"Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

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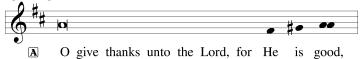
- Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face; Here would I touch and handle things unseen; Here grasp with firmer hand the_eternal grace, And all my weariness upon Thee lean.
- 2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God, Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n; Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.
- This is the hour of banquet and of song;
 This is the heav'nly table spread for me;
 Here let me feast and, feasting, still prolong
 The brief bright hour of fellowship with Thee.
- I have no help but Thine; nor do I need
 Another arm but Thine to lean upon.
 It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
 My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.
- 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.

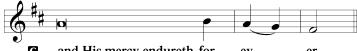
- Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear; 6 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone; The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here; Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, 7 Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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Thanksgiving LSB 200

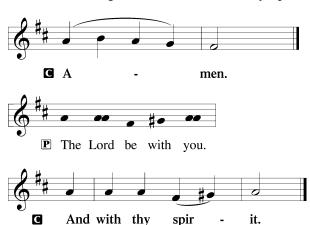




and His mercy endureth for - ev C er.

A Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benedicamus LSB 202



Benediction LSB 202

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 H give you peace.



Closing Hymn: "'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

LSB 414

- 1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
 Thy glory fills the night;
 Thy face and garments, like the sun,
 Shine with unborrowed light.
- 2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy beauty to behold Where Moses and Elijah stand, Thy messengers of old.
- 3 Fulfiller of the past And hope of things to be, We hail Thy body glorified And our redemption see.
- Before we taste of death,
 We see Thy kingdom come;
 We long to hold the vision bright
 And make this hill our home.
- 7 Tis good, Lord, to be here!
 Yet we may not remain;
 But since Thou bidst us leave the mount,
 Come with us to the plain.

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