

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Transfiguration of Our Lord ~ March 2, 2025 ~ 9:45 a.m.

THE SERVICE

BOLD lettering indicates a spoken response

Prelude

Announcements

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the Father, and the +Son, and the Holy Spirit, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

Children's Alleluia Procession

Majesty

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Majesty, worship his majesty:

unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority flows from his throne unto his own;
his anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.

Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.

Majesty, worship his majesty:

Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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Greeting

P: The grace of God that extends to all nations in Christ Jesus through the work of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

C: The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.

P: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

C: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

P: To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

C: In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia;
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

He's my Savior, alleluia, he's my Savior, alleluia;
He's my Savior, alleluia, he's my Savior, alleluia.

He is worthy, alleluia, he is worthy, alleluia;
He is worthy, alleluia, he is worthy, alleluia.

I will praise him, alleluia, I will praise him, alleluia;
I will praise him, alleluia, I will praise him, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, on the mountain you showed your glory in the transfiguration of your Son. Give us the vision to see beyond the turmoil of our world and to behold the king in all his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen**

WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings

Without God, where would you be now?
Without God, where would you be now?
Without God.

First Lesson: Exodus 34:29-35

Moses' face shone with the glory of God after he received the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.

A: The First Lesson is from the 34th chapter of Exodus.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been

talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, 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 spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.

A: The Second Lesson is from the 3rd and 4th chapters of 2 Corinthians.

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed

into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Without God, where would you be now?

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Without God.

Gospel: Luke 9:28-43a

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9th chapter

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him,

Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.” ⁴¹Jesus answered, “You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.” ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ^{43a}And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor John

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* Song – Come and see

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Come and see the glory of the Lord.

Come, behold the Lamb.

Come and see the mercy of the King, bowing down before him.

Come and give thanks unto the Lord.

Come, behold the Lamb.

Come and sing the praises of the King, bowing down before him.

For he is Lord above the heavens, Lord in all the earth,

Lord of all the angels, worthy to be served.

Alleluia. Alleluia, Lord.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

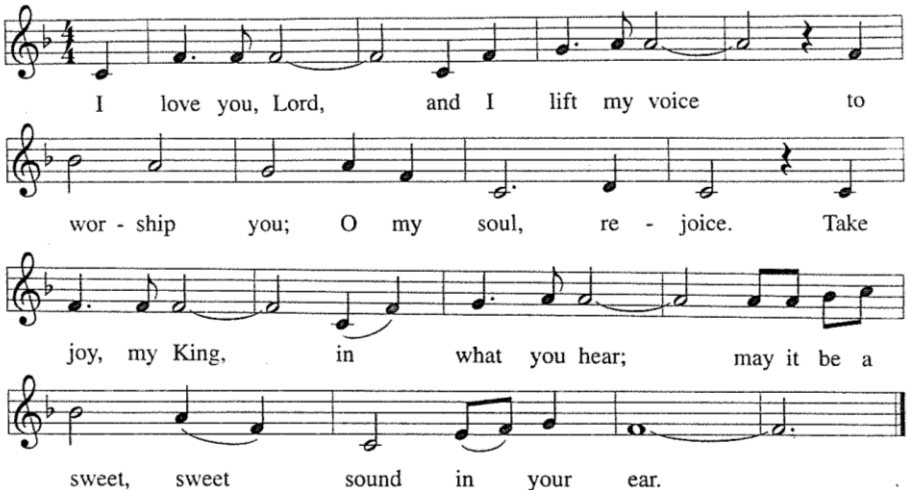
**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

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



The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words split across lines. The final note of the fourth staff is a double bar line.

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to
wor - ship you; O my soul, re - joice. Take
joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a
sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P: . . . 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

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Sharing of God's Peace

We follow Jesus' direction in Matthew chapter 5 and make peace with each other before coming to the altar: Jesus said, "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift."

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

C: And also with you.

*The ministers and congregation greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

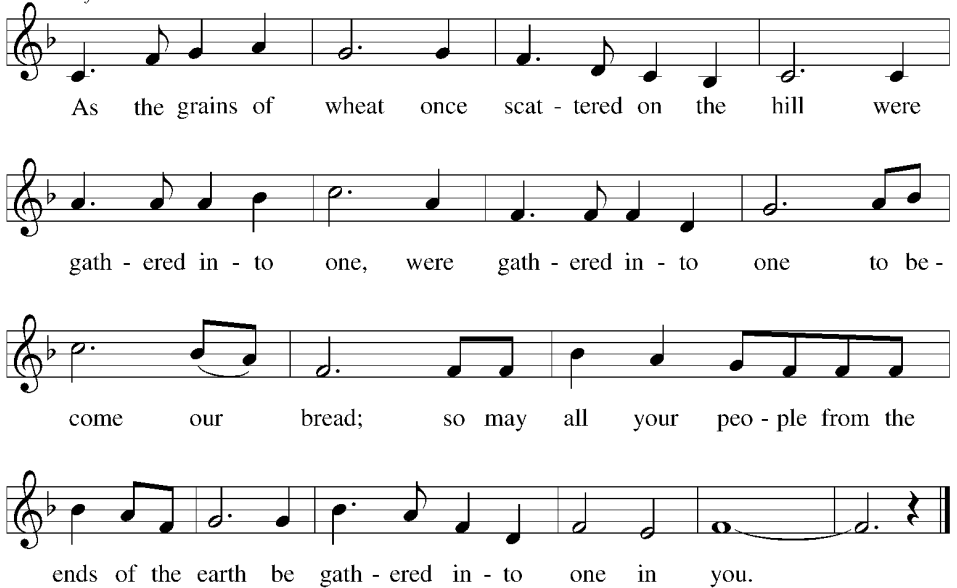
Offering

Contemporary Worship Team

Offertory - As the grains of wheat

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Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat - tered on the hill were
gath - ered in - to one, were gath - ered in - to one to be -
come our bread; so may all your peo - ple from the
ends of the earth be gath - ered in - to one in you.

Offertory Prayer

P: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Prayer

P: Come, all you beloved of the Lord, come and eat the food that He gives freely. Be filled again with the goodness of God.

C: Lord God, giver of all good things, we hear Your invitation, we see Your gifts of life and grace.

P: Come to the table of the Lord.

C: We come with our wounds and faults ready to eat and to drink. Our hearts are glad.

P: Yes, dear Lord our God, our hearts are truly glad.

We are filled with thankfulness, because in Your great love You did not abandon us to sin and death, but in Jesus, You came to us, to rescue us, restore us, and give us new life.

We remember the way that Jesus showed us this love:

In the night in which He was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying:

Take and eat; this is my body given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying:

this cup is the new covenant in my blood

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen

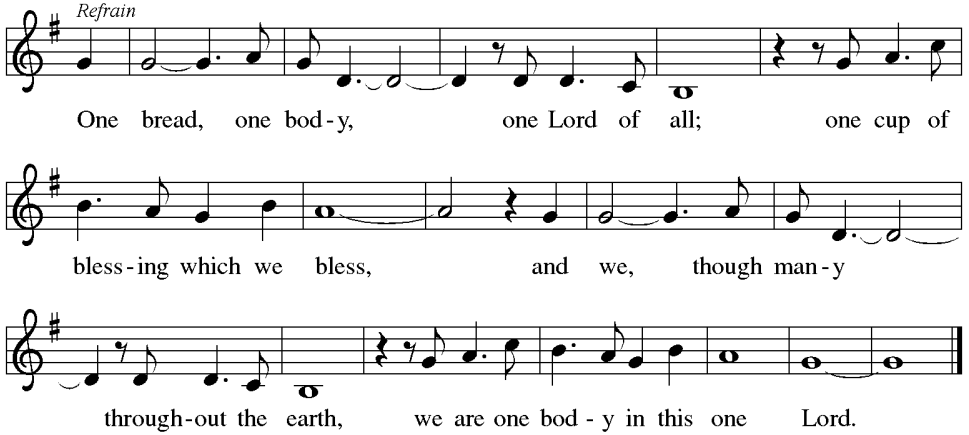
Invitation to Communion

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in Him.

One bread, one body

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Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of
bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y
through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

The Meal

Please receive the bread and wine as the pastor speaks the words:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say: "Amen."

MUSIC AS WE SHARE COMMUNION

We will glorify

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We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before his throne;
We will worship him in righteousness, we will worship him alone.

He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, he is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe, all praise to him we give.

Great is the Lord

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Great is the Lord, he is holy and just,
By his power we trust in his love.
Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true,
By his mercy he proves he is love.
Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory.
Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

Post Communion Canticle – You're Worthy of My Praise CCLI 1763436

I will wor - ship with all of my heart.

I will praise You with all of my strength.

I will seek You all of my days.

I will fol - low all of Your ways.

Refrain
I will give You all my wor - ship I will give You

all my praise. You a - lone I long to wor - ship,

You a - lone are wor - thy. of my praise.

Prayer

P: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING

Blessing

P: Almighty God, Father, Son +and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever. **C: Amen**

Children's Alleluia Recessional

Closing Song – I will sing, I will sing

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I will sing, I will sing a song unto the Lord.
I will sing, I will sing a song unto the Lord.
I will sing, I will sing a song unto the Lord.
Alleluia, glory to the Lord. *Refrain*

Refrain: Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord.
Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord.
Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord.
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.

We will come, we will come as one before the Lord.
We will come, we will come as one before the Lord.
We will come, we will come as one before the Lord.
Alleluia, glory to the Lord. *Refrain*

If the Son, if the Son shall make you free,
If the Son, if the Son shall make you free,
If the Son, if the Son shall make you free,
You shall be free indeed. *Refrain*

They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.
They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.
They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.
Alleluia, glory to the Lord. *Refrain*

Ev'ry knee shall bow and ev'ry tongue confess,
Ev'ry knee shall bow and ev'ry tongue confess,
Ev'ry knee shall bow and ev'ry tongue confess,
That Jesus Christ is Lord. *Refrain*

In his name, in his name we have the victory.
In his name, in his name we have the victory.
In his name, in his name we have the victory.
Alleluia, glory to the Lord. *Refrain*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Be light for the world.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Today

8:30-Traditional Worship
9:45-Contemporary Worship
9:45-Sunday School

11:00-Traditional Worship

Monday-9:00-Quilters/Sewers

Tuesday-2:00-Bible Study

5:00-Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/6:30-Vocal

Wednesday-Ash Wednesday-1:00 & 7:00-Worship

Thursday-6:30-Traditional Choir Practice

Saturday-6:30 & 7:00 pm-Volleyball games @ First Baptist

FUTURE MINISTRIES

Mon-Mar 10-9:00-Quilters/Sewers

6:00-Property

Tues-Mar 11-2:00-Bible Study

6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/6:30-Vocal

Thurs-Mar 13-6:30-Traditional Choir Practice

Fri-Mar 14-Volleyball tournament @ First Baptist

Sat-Mar 15-Volleyball tournament @ First Baptist

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Next Sunday's Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

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Attendance last week: Sunday Worship: 8:30-48; 9:45-59; 11:00-34

The flowers in the chancel vases have been presented to the Glory of the Lord and in honor of Marty Clark on her 85th Birthday by JoAnn & Joe Kruckow.

New Organ Donations. . . If you would like to contribute toward the new organ, pledge cards and donation envelopes are available by the organ pipe display in the narthex. They may be placed in the offering plate or left in the church office. Thank you!

Sunday School for preschool through 5th graders **TODAY** at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner . . . this Tuesday March 4 at 5 p.m. We'll enjoy pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, juices and coffee! Please sign up if you will attend. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. All are welcome.

Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday March 5. Worship with Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Senior High Youth Brunch . . . Sunday March 16 the senior high youth will gather in the back of the Fellowship Hall for brunch and fellowship from 10:40 to noon. Sign up today!

6th-12th grade Youth Spring Retreat Friday-Saturday March 28-29, 7p.m. to 5 p.m. at Camp Mountain Run in Penfield. The retreat is a great opportunity to grow our friendships, play, eat, and worship together, and sleep over one night. Families, please mark your calendars and sign your youth up to attend by March 9! Additional registration forms are available from Pastor Amy.

NEW!! Lent Devotions "Five of the Seven Deadly Sins" are available in the narthex and can be downloaded from our website.

Mission of the Month for March: College Student Ministry Gift Cards. Each spring, we gift our college students with a Wal-Mart gift card to let them know we care for and are thinking about them. If you would like to donate, please use the pew envelope and write "gift card" in the other line. Checks may be made payable to Christ Lutheran Church. Thank you.

Food Pantry Items for March are SPAGHETTI and/or SPAGHETTI SAUCE.