



## **St. Luke's Lutheran Church**



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*Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.*

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## **THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD (Series B)**

## **WELCOME**

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, [office@stlukesmanhattan.org](mailto:office@stlukesmanhattan.org), or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

## **AS WE GATHER**

The light of Christ is no mere metaphor. Christ is our light and He shines with the brightness of the one true light. Where the world lives in the darkness of doubt, Christ brings confidence to approach the throne of grace. Where the world lives in the faded glory of our aspirations and dreams, Christ's light of forgiveness and hope never fades. Where the world imagines a future, Christ's light shines on a new and everlasting tomorrow. As Christ shone with His light, so do we shine with the borrowed light of our Savior that those living in darkness and in the shadow of death might be shown the way.

## **IMAGE ON THE COVER**

And after six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, and His clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. . . . And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is My beloved Son; listen to Him." *Mark 9:2-4, 7*

## **PRELUDE**

*(Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus.)*

## **✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠**

## **PRESERVICE SONG – “Majesty” Psalm 93:1**

- 1, 2      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
- 3            Jesus who died, now glorified King of all kings  
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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## **INVOCATION**

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

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P**      The King in His might loves justice.  
**C**      **You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**
- P**      Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;  
**C**      **for the LORD our God is holy!**

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.*

**P** 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.

**C** **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.**

**P** 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.

**C** **Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, our God, You shone Your love to us through Your Son and in His light is our hope and joy. Take us up to the mountain of His brightness that when we descend in the valleys of our lives, His light may remain upon us to guide our way. Grant that we may receive the testimony of Moses and Elijah fulfilled in Christ and make known Christ's light to the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

- P** We confess our faith together, using the words of the Apostles' Creed,  
**C** 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.

*Sit*

## OPENING SONG – “Glory”

- 1, 2, 4      Glory to the King of kings  
6, 7      Majesty, power, and strength to the Lord of lords
- 3      Holy One, all creation crowns You King of kings  
Holy One, King of kings, Lord of lords, Holy One
- 5      Jesus, Lord with eyes unveiled we will see Your throne  
Jesus, Prince of Peace, Son of God, Emmanuel
- 8      Power and strength to the Lord of lords  
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## 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.)*

<sup>29</sup>When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God.

<sup>30</sup>Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai.

<sup>33</sup>And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

<sup>34</sup>Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, <sup>35</sup>the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

*Psalm 50:1-6; antiphon: v. 2*

**L** <sup>2</sup>Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
**C** **God shines forth.**

**L** <sup>1</sup>The Mighty One, God the LORD,  
speaks and summons the earth  
**C** **from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

**L** <sup>2</sup>Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
**C** **God shines forth.**

**L** <sup>3</sup>Our God comes; he does not keep silence;  
**C** **before him is a devouring fire,**  
**around him a mighty tempest**

**L** <sup>4</sup>He calls to the heavens above  
**C** **and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

**L** <sup>5</sup>“Gather to me my faithful ones,  
**C** **who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”**

**L** <sup>6</sup>The heavens declare his righteousness,  
**C** **for God himself is judge!**

**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**

**L** <sup>2</sup>Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
**C** **God shines forth.**

## EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 3:12-18; 4:1-6

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

<sup>12</sup>Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup>Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. <sup>16</sup>But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

*Psalm 45:2a*

**P** Alleluia. You are the most handsome of the sons of men;

**C** grace is poured upon Your lips. Alleluia.



## HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-9

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

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

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

<sup>2</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup>For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” <sup>8</sup>And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

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

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

*Sit*

## LAMB'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

## VOTUM

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**C** **Amen.**

## OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. **A basket** is available in the narthex as you exit.
2. Please **send** your offerings to  
St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
4801 Anderson Avenue  
Manhattan, KS 66503
3. Give through our **website**:  
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer**  
Sign up through the church office.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Mark 9:6 – “For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified.”** Soon enough, the disciples' terror turned into joy, for when Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us and cares for us and will never abandon us. That assurance is the basis of all generosity — for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.

## OFFERTORY - “I Need You”

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| 1, 2, 4 | Lord, look upon my need<br>I need You, I need You<br>Lord, have mercy now on me<br>Forgive me, O, Lord, forgive me<br>And I will be clean                                                 |
| 3       | O, Lord, you are familiar with my ways<br>There is nothing hid from You<br>O, Lord, You know the number of my days<br>I want to live my life for You<br>(Used by permission CCLI #288089) |

*Stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

For the eyes to see, ears to hear, and faith to believe Christ is the glory of the Father who has accomplished salvation by fulfilling the Law and the prophets for us; Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** For the Church, where the glory of God shines through the voice of His Word and by the sacraments of Christ, and for our life together in the unity of this Word believed and this Gospel proclaimed; Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** For the pastors who preach the glory of the cross and the church workers who serve us in Christ's name and for those preparing for church work; Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** For the faded glory of the world, of nations in conflict, of the victims of violence and hate, and of the inequities of our broken world and for those who serve us on every level of government; Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** For those afflicted in mind or body, those bearing the pain of grief or loss, and for the dying, [*especially . . .*], and for comfort, peace, healing, and faith to sustain them in their trouble; Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** For each of us that we may shine with the borrowed light of Christ, displaying in words and works the love that Christ has manifested toward us; Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** For our wisdom in the face of falsehood, our strength in the face of temptation, and our courage in the face of threat and persecution; Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** For faithful worship where Christ and His gifts are the center of why we gather and all we do and for grace to receive His gifts with faith and repentance; Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

*Additional petitions may be added.*

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**C** **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

## CLOSING PRAYER

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and in the confession of Your name may abide to the end; 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

**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 peace.

**C** Amen.

## GREET ONE ANOTHER

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".*

## **CLOSING SONG – “You are Everything”**

- 1            I'm the one with two left feet  
              Standing on a lonely street  
              I can't even walk a straight line  
              And every time you look at me  
              I'm spinning like an autumn leaf  
              Bound to hit bottom sometime
- 2, 5            Where would I be without someone to save me  
              Someone who won't let me fall
- 3, 6, 8            You are everything that I live for  
              Everything that I can't believe is happening  
              You're standing right in front of me  
              With arms wide open all I know is  
              Every day is filled with hope  
              'Cause You are everything that I believe for  
              And I can't help but breathe You in  
              Breathe again feeling all this life within  
              Every single beat of my heart
- 4            I'm the one with big mistakes  
              Big regrets and bigger breaks  
              Than I ever care to confess  
              You're the one who looks at me  
              And sees what I was meant to be  
              More than just a beautiful mess
- 7            You're everything good in my life  
              Everything honest and true  
              And all of those stars hanging up in the sky  
              Could never shine brighter than You
- 9            You are, You are  
              Jesus, You are  
              You are everything

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## ✠ALLELUIA BURYING✠

*During Lent, which begins this Wednesday, it is customary to not sing Alleluias. “Alleluia” means “Praise ye the Lord.” We will sing it next on Easter.*

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