

St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

Saturday, February 10, 2024 – 6:00 PM Sunday, February 11, 2024 – 8:30 AM

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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

(Series B)

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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, 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*

▼ PREPARATION ▼

414 'TIS GOOD, LORD, TO BE HERE



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Stand

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

INVOCATION

- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonup Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

EXHORTATION LSB 184

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,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

CONFESSION

- 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

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and 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!*

Ho- | ly is he!

The King in his might loves | justice.*

You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in | Jacob.

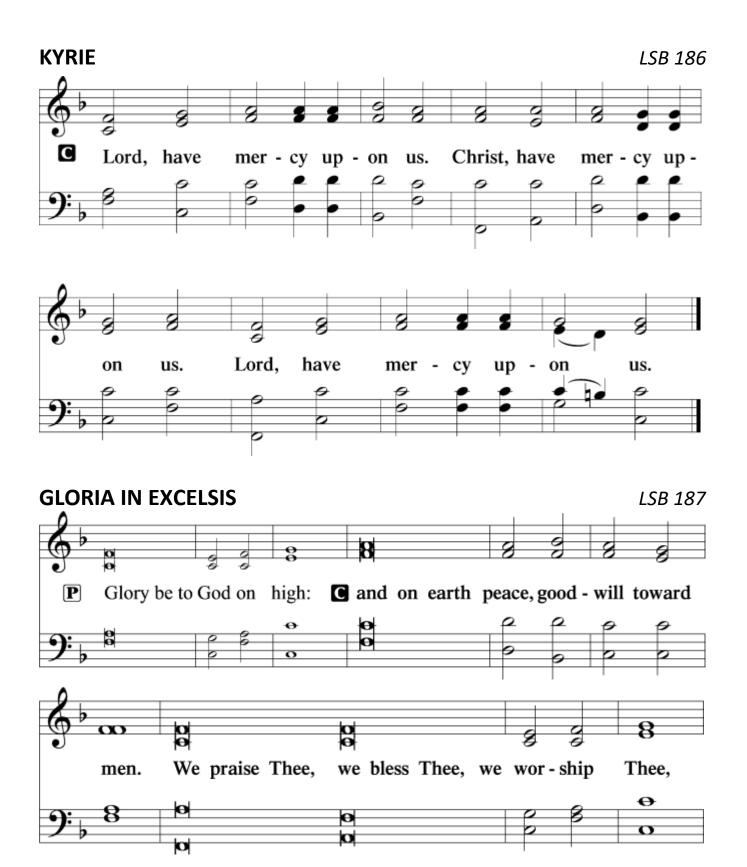
Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his | footstool!*

Ho- | ly is he!

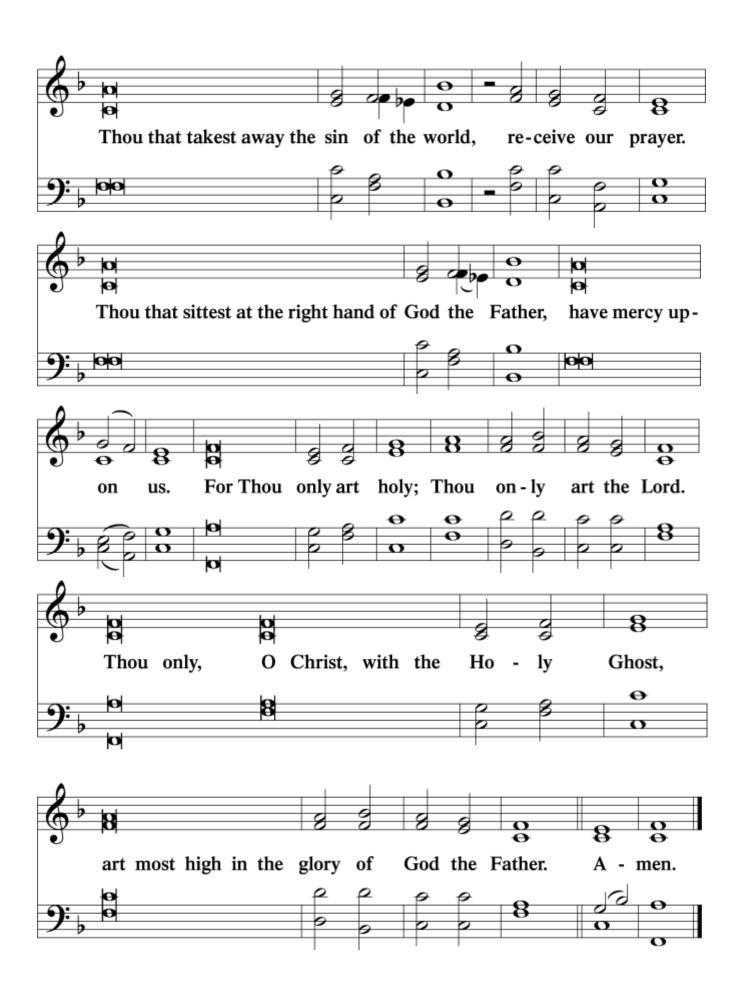
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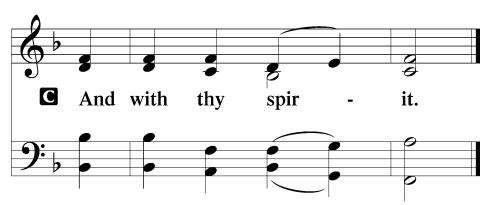






PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



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.



Sit

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.)

²⁹When 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. ³⁰Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, 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 talked with them. ³²Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. ³³And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

³⁴Whenever 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, ³⁵the 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 ²Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
- **G** God shines forth.
- L ¹The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth
- from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- L ²Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
- **G** God shines forth.

- L ³Our God comes; he does not keep silence;
- before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest.
- L ⁴He calls to the heavens above
- and to the earth, that he may judge his people:
- L ⁵"Gather to me my faithful ones,
- who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"
- L ⁶The heavens declare his righteousness,
- for God himself is judge!
- 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 ²Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
- **C** God shines forth.

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

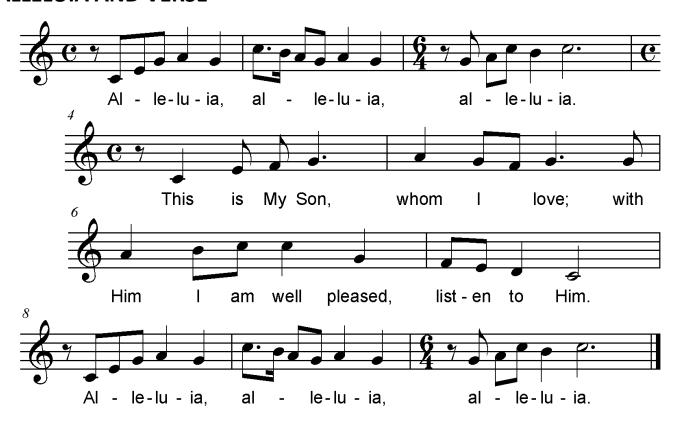
¹²Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, ¹³not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. ¹⁵Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. 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 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.

¹Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ²But 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. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. ⁴In 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. ⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For 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.

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

Stand

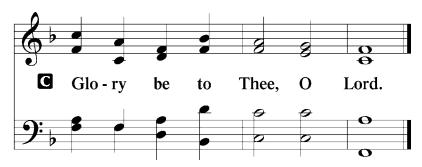
ALLELUIA AND VERSE



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.



²After 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, ³and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵And 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." ⁶For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." ⁸And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹And 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.



APOSTLES' CREED

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

LAMB'S MESSAGE

HYMN – "The Lord Said to Moses"

Tune: Ellacombe (LSB 443-Hosanna, Loud Hosanna)

- The Lord said to Moses long ago, "Come up the mount to Me;
 Receive the commandments hewn in stone; My cov'nant people be."
 Then Moses climbed the glory hill And met the Lord on high;
 But God did not His plan reveal Till Moses stood with Christ.
- And then with Sinai's prophet bold, Elijah did appear;
 Who rode to God on chariot gold Now stood with Jesus near.
 In holy convocation meet, The pillars of God's Word,
 And join in witness, glad to greet, The Savior, Christ the Lord.
- Then Peter spoke for James and John, "'Tis good, Lord, to be here,"
 But God proclaimed, "This is My Son, The One I love so dear.
 Now listen and His Word obey; With Him I am well pleased."
 For God has come to you today And all your fears released.
- Down to the valley they did flee But not a word betrayed
 The glory that their eyes did see Not told till Christ was raised.
 We, too, have witnessed majesty: Christ death, His life restored.
 In Christ God's saving glory seen, Good news for all the world.

SERMON

VOTUM

- 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

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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.

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.

- 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.

LSB 196

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

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 COLLECT

P Let us pray.

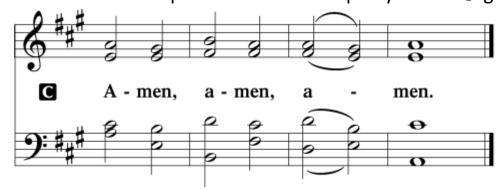
Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and in the confession of Your name may abide to 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 LSB 202

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.



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".

417 ALLELUIA, SONG OF GLADNESS

Tune: LSB 353, Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring

1 Alleluia, song of gladness, Voice of joy that cannot die; Alleluia is the anthem Ever raised by choirs on high; In the house of God abiding Thus they sing eternally.

- 2 Alleluia, thou resoundest, True Jerusalem and free; Alleluia, joyful mother, All thy children sing with thee, But by Babylon's sad waters Mourning exiles now are we.
- 3 Alleluia cannot always
 Be our song while here below;
 Alleluia, our transgressions
 Make us for a while forgo;
 For the solemn time is coming
 When our tears for sin must flow.
- 4 Therefore in our hymns we pray Thee,
 Grant us, blessèd Trinity,
 At the last to keep Thine Easter
 With Thy faithful saints on high;
 There to Thee forever singing
 Alleluia joyfully.

Text: Latin, c. 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.

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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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