## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD (DIVINE SERVICE 3)

MARCH 2, 2025 8:00 AND 11:00

WELCOME GUESTS If you're looking for a church home, we hope you'll consider Redeemer. If you're visiting with us for the first time, we'd like to present you with a coffee mug. Check out the faith-strengthening resources on the information cart, the library in the narthex, or www.redeemer-lutheran.net. If you have questions about this congregation or about the Lutheran Church, feel free to ask an usher or the Pastor. Please fill out a fellowship card (found in the pew racks) and drop it in today's collection plate, providing a phone number and e-mail address so that we may serve you better. For prayer request, please fill out a blue "Prayer Card" found in the narthex or the pews. Large print versions of this bulletin are available upon request at the Ushers' station. Thank you for worshiping with us.

#### PRAYER UPON ENTERING

Merciful Heavenly Father, if You came before me in all Your holiness and glory I could not survive. I confess to You my sins and fallen nature. Remind me again of Your saving act of Baptism – my Baptism into Your beloved Son in whom all Your splendor is shown. Strengthen my trust in the glory of my Lord's Cross, for I ask it in His precious name. Amen.

"THIS IS MY SON, WITH WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED; LISTEN TO HIM." (Matthew 17:5) Today the Christian Church around the world celebrates the Transfiguration of Our Lord as the last Sunday of the season called Epiphany. This amazing event serves as a link between the theme of Jesus revealed as the light for the darkened world (Epiphany) and Jesus revealed as the suffering Savior for the dying world (Lent). David Hakes, a Lutheran pastor writes: [The Transfiguration of Our Lord] "must not be isolated from what has gone before or what will follow. It forms a bridge between Epiphany and Lent."

"What has gone before" includes all that Jesus revealed in Matthew 16:13-28: Peter's inspired confession, Jesus' prediction of his Passion and his revelation that disciples will follow their Lord in cross-bearing. As it is with any other event in the Old or New Testament, our understanding of the Transfiguration reveals what kind of Jesus we believe and put our trust in. This morning we are given an opportunity to compare our feeble understandings of Christ and his work with the trustworthy witness of Scripture. May God enable us each day to hear the great words from the cloud of his glory: "This is my Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him!"

#### **PRELUDE**

## **OPENING VERSE**

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

Cong.: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:24)

## + PREPARATION +

Pastor: O Lord. Open my lips,

Cong.: and my mouth will declare Your praise.

#### **HYMN**

The congregation is invited to stand and face the processional cross as it enters the sanctuary





#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen. (Matthew 28:19b)

Pastor: 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. (Hebrews 10:22)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Cong.: who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Cong.: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Psalm 32:5)

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

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

Cong.: 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.

Pastor: 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.

Cong.: Amen. (John 20:19-23)

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

#### INTROIT

(Psalm 84:1-2, 9, 11; antiphon: Psalm 84:4)

Pastor: Blessèd are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

Cong.: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Pastor: Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!

Cong.: For the LORD God is the sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

All: 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.

Pastor: Blessèd are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!





Pastor: The Lord be with you. Cong.: And with your spirit.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: 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.

Cong.: Amen.

Sit

## CHOIR ANTHEM

#### "Transfiguration Hymn"

(Larry Shackley)

Lord, it is good for us to be high on the mountain here with Thee; Where stand the saints of other days; Who once received on Horeb's height the eternal laws of truth and right; Or caught the still, small whisper higher than storm, than earthquake, or than fire. Lord, it is good for us to be entranced, enwrapt, alone with Thee; And watch Thy glis-t'ring rai-ment glow. The human whiter than Hermon's whitest snow, lineaments that shine Irradiant with a light divine: Till we too change from grace to grace, gazing on that transfigured face, Lord, it is good for us to be here on the holy mountain with Thee: Darkling, dazzled with in the depths of night, excess of light, we bow before the heav'nly voice that bids bewildered souls rejoice, though love wax cold, and faith be dim "This is My Son; O hear ye Him!"

## READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you. Cong.: And also with you.

**Old Testament Reading** (page 177 in the pew Bibles)

**Deuteronomy 34:1-12** 

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there." So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

#### **Epistle** (page 1002 in the pew Bibles)

**Hebrews 3:1-6** 

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.



Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.



#### **Holy Gospel** (page 867 in the pew Bibles)

Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud.

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And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our 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 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 hymn 413]



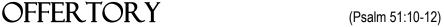
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## **SERMON**

#### "Things That Will Last...Things That Won't"

Luke 9:28-36

(Pastor Richard Dannenbring)





#### OFFER ING

You may place your offering in the plate as you exit the service.

Stand

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

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

Heavenly Father, in prayer Your Son, Jesus, revealed His glory to Peter, James and John. Grant that we, also gathered in prayer, would see Him by faith and receive from Him the redemption He has accomplished for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, You bestow honor and favor on all who dwell in Your house and withhold no good thing from them. Give us faith in Your promises, that we who worship You here may come to dwell in Your heavenly house. Remember Pastor Jeong, his family, his current congregation and his transition to Redeemer. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Gracious Lord, as You appointed Moses of old to lead Your people, so You sent Your Son, Jesus, to found and lead Your Church. Sustain us from age to age, and grant us teachers of righteousness to guide us in the days to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Holy Father, by the blood of Your Christ, He has purified His Bride, the Church. Strengthen her and give her unity of doctrine and piety. Bless this holy house, that those who enter here may do so in faith, reverence and fear of You. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord, all authority is given by You and our times are in Your hands. Give wisdom to our president and those in public office, that they may govern according to Your good will. Bless the work of this congregation to reach the lost of this city. Grant favorable weather and an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and prosper all honorable vocations, businesses and industries. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Most merciful God, as we follow the way of Your apostles into Your presence, You join our prayers to the ceaseless petitions of Your dear Son. Hear us for the sake of the troubled, the sick and the dying *especially*.... Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, we praise You, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made. Give us ears to hear Your voice speaking through Your Word, holy lips to receive Christ's blessed Sacrament with repentance and faith, and holy awe at Your glory granted to us in the Means of Grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord God, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember on this day the glorious manifestation of Your Son's divinity on the Mount of Transfiguration. Teach us to listen to Jesus and ever fix our eyes on Him and His innocent suffering and death for our forgiveness. By Your grace and mercy, strengthen us to remain faithful in all circumstances of trial, temptation and persecution. Preserve us to the end, that we may die a blessed death believing in Your beloved Son with whom You are well pleased; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Cong.: Amen.

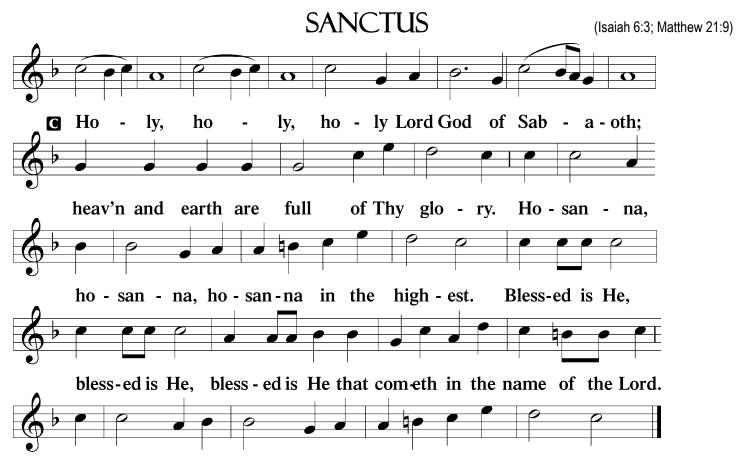


# + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT + PREFACE



#### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6: 9-13)

Pastor: 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.

#### WORDS OF OUR LORD

(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Pastor: 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."



The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor of this congregation. For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

#### What actually is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) should be received, after proper instruction and preparation, in the sure and certain confidence that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine to forgive the sin of all who receive him in repentance (according to 1Corinthians 10:14-17; 11: 17-33; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30). Please review the questions on pages 326-27 and 329-330 in the front part of "Lutheran Service Book" for a proper understanding of this holy meal.

## Who may properly come to the Lord's Supper?

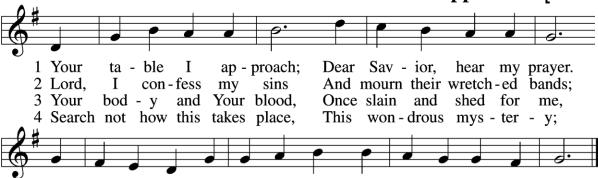
You are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood if you:	
☐ have been Baptized into the name of the Triune God (Father, Son and Holy S	pirit);
repent of your sin against God and recognize your need to forgive others as	God has forgiven you
put your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation;	
are old enough to examine your own faith and life (according to 1Corinthian	s 11:27-32);
Delieve in the words of Jesus himself when he declares that his Body and Bl	
in, with and under the bread and wine, offering life, salvation and the forgive	eness of sins;
sincerely intend to live a God-pleasing life in accordance with God's will as	
have received instruction about the Supper at a Lutheran Church Missouri S	ynod congregation.

I now come to the Lord's Table having read, understood and agreed with these beliefs.

#### PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNING

Almighty Lord Jesus Christ, as often as I shall come to Your holy table to refresh my spirit, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; impure as I am, to make me clean; naked as I am, to clothe me, so that Your body, so full of divine power, and Your most precious blood may not become for me, Your servant, the occasion for judgment or punishment, but a memorial of the death You underwent for me, a strengthening of my faith, a proof of the taking away of my sins, a bond of closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION "Your Table I Approach" [LSB 628]



un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to Let not an me there. con-trite heart is sure to find For - give-ness at Your hands. at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty. God can ac - com-plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

5 O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.

Sit

6 Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

"Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning" [LSB 400]



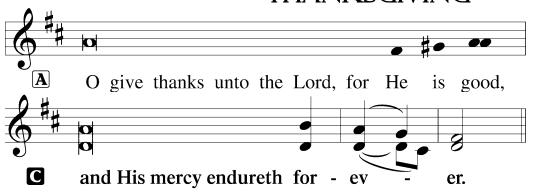
## "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" [LSB 700]





## **THANKSGIVING**

(Psalm 107:1)

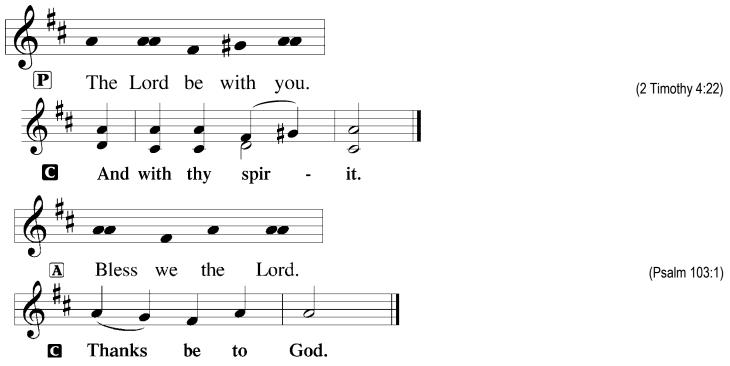


## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: 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.



## SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS



#### BENEDICTION

(Numbers 6:24-26)

Pastor: 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 

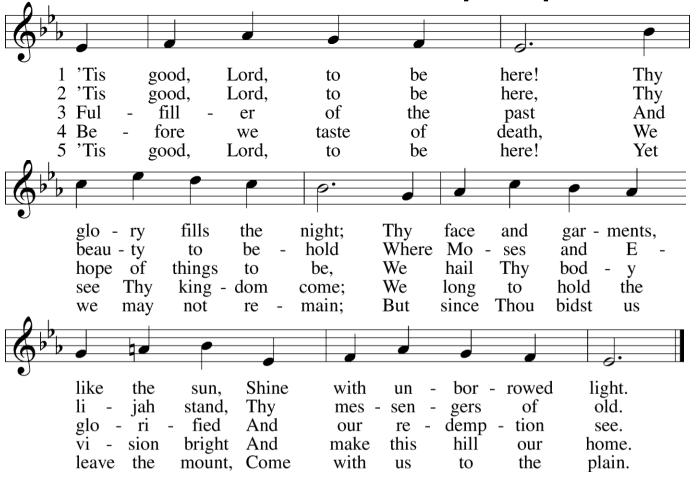
→ give you His peace.



### **HYMN**

The congregation is invited to face the Processional Cross as it leaves the sanctuary

## "'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here" [LSB 414]



Sit

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord. Cong.: Thanks be to God.

(Psalm 103:1)

## **POSTLUDE**

## SERVING OUR LORD AND HIS PEOPLE TODAY

8:00 Service 11:00 Service

Acolyte: Ryker Deen Matthew Witkamp

Lochlan Deen Avalon Doherty

Barnes Kacie Onak Barnes Kaden Onak

Ushers: Vona Dodge Paul T. Jurenka

David Volkert Ted Witkamp

Elder/Reader: Adam Volkert Manny Flores

Dan Rugg Rick Ritchie

Organist: Matt Laub

Altar Guild: Chris Ohlendorf, Maria Jurenka, Margaret Button, Mary Tesmer

#### LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

THANKSGIVING for continued healing for Joan Harris. Shelly Mickelson's friend, Barbara Schmok made it through the risky heart surgery! Prayers for fast & complete healing.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Emily Witkamp 3/6; Marlene Hermes 3/7

THIS WEEK'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Paul & Maria Jurenka 3/2;

Larry & Catherine Tochluk 3/2; Christopher & Michele Coble 3/5

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Christian Jones 3/6; Kyle Onak 3/8

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## NEWS AND NOTES MARCH 2, 2025

#### Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

2 Sunday	The Transfiguration of Our Lord	
	Divine Service	8:00 & 11:00 AM
	Guest Pastor Rich Dannenbring	
	Sunday School/Confirmation	9:30 AM
	Adult Bible Study "Colossians"	9:30 AM
	(in the Sanctuary with Karen Miller)	
	Sunday School & Youth Brunch Bunch	10:30 AM
3 Monday	Church Office Closed	
	Al Anon	10:00 AM
	Celestial Ringers	6:00 PM
	Boy Scouts	7:00 PM
4 Tuesday	Christian Hospitality	6:00 PM
	Al Anon	6:00 PM
	Sanctuary Choir	7:00 PM
5 Wednesday	Ash Wednesday Chapel	$10:00~\mathrm{AM}$
	Ash Wednesday Lenten Services	4:00 & 7:00 PM
	Soup Supper	5:15 PM
6 Thursday	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
•	Women's Bible Study "Isaiah 40-55"	7:00 PM
7 Friday		
8 Saturday	Breakfast Bible Study with Cindy Koch	8:30 / 9:00 AM
-	Sewing Group	9:30 AM-5:00 PM
9 Sunday	The First Sunday in Lent	
	Divine Service	8:00 & 11:00 AM
	Sunday School/Confirmation Classes	9:30 AM
	Adult Bible Study "Colossians"	9:30 AM
	(in the Sanctuary with Karen Miller)	
	Installation Service for Pastor Jeong	4:00 PM

For Further Information Please Call the Church Office at 714-846-6330 Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM / 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

**Preschool Office Hours:** Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

#### **BIBLE STUDIES**

"Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of Christ" (Romans 10:17)

#### SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

"Colossians" (9:30 AM with Karen Miller in the Sanctuary)

#### FIRST THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

"Isaiah 40-55" (7:00 PM with Karen Miller in the Music Room)

## REDEEMER'S STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 135

God has given each of us gifts and calls us in 1 Peter 4:10,11 to "use them to serve one another that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ".



SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP Luke 9:36 "And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone." Moses and Elijah point to Jesus, speak about Jesus and His sacrifice, and then are happy to fade into the background. They know that what we need is Jesus. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives comes into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place. Or as Jesus Himself said, "Seek first the kingdom of God ... and all these things will be added unto you" (Matt. 6:33).

## AROUND REDEEMER

WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER are offered in our Sanctuary on Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 AM and available online at 8:00 AM on <a href="https://www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranHB/">www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranHB/</a> as a Facebook live stream, and accessible from <a href="https://www.redeemer-lutheran.net">www.redeemer-lutheran.net</a>. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the children will learn about "Esther" in Book of Esther. In the actions of Esther, we see the pattern of deliverance that God sketches throughout the story of Israel, a pattern that finds its fulfillment in Jesus, our Savior. Consider discussing, "How did Esther preserve the Jewish people? Why is the story for Esther important?"

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY March 8<sup>th</sup> our speaker will be Cindy Koch with a talk entitled "Once Upon a Curse." Everyone carries a story. But somewhere along the chapters of life, we will experience disappointment, heartache and pain. It is common to cling to our individual experience to tell us about our purpose and meaning, yet God tells an ancient story that has redefined our everyday. Created from the beginning of time, this story challenges you to discover that you have already been wrapped up in the greater story of your Creator. Once upon a time until happily ever after, this is the story that ends your curse by the cross of Christ. "These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." (John 20:31). Plan to attend this very informative presentation. Please RSVP to the church office for breakfast.

OLD GUYS BREAKFAST AT DENNY'S (You don't have to be old) If you would like to join in on the fellowship and food (everyone pays for their own meal) we meet at Denny's at 18477 Beach Blvd. HB (cross street is Ellis), on Fridays at 11:30 AM. Call the church office if you would like more information.

GAME NIGHT Come join us in faith, friendship and Tabletop Board gaming every month on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 5:30 to 10:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This is intended for all members of the Congregation who like games, and we encourage you to come and invite your friends. This is a fun outreach opportunity, and we have a few regular attendees who are not members of our Congregation. You can also contact Christopher Lundgren via the Church Office for more information.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION AND COMMUNION are by appointment. Please call the church office to arrange a date and time.

## PRESCHOOL NEWS

HELP A CHILD GO TO SCHOOL The Redeemer Lutheran Preschool Board has established a Preschool Scholarship Fund. We have had families visit our school who simply cannot afford the tuition and were not approved for governmental assistance. We would like to offer these families a good Christian education for their children. To donate to this fund, please make your check payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church with "Preschool Scholarship Fund" on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support of Redeemer Lutheran Preschool.









## MARCH HYMN OF THE MONTH

JESUS, REFUGE OF THE WEARY - LSB 423 Late thirteenth-century Italy saw the rise of a new form of monophonic sacred song in Italian that was sung outside the Church's official liturgy. During the following two centuries, the *lauda*, as it was called, became the leading genre of popular song in Italian. Girolamo Savonarola (1452-98), who encouraged the singing of *laude*, wrote the original text of this *lauda* which was translated by Jane F. Wilde, Lady Wilde (1821-96), and published in 1853 in R.R. Madden's *Life and Martyrdom of Savonarola*,. In 1864, it appeared in Wilde's own *Poems*, which she dedicated to her sons Willie and Oscar. The former would become a famous eye surgeon and the latter an internationally known author, playwright, and poet.

The hymn's first stanza is a prayer to Jesus, who is "refuge of the weary" according to His own promise: "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls" (Matthew 11:28-29). He is a "fountain in life's desert dreary" (stanza 1; see Psalm 36:9; 68:26) who is "from the world above" (see John 3:31; 8:23), as He invites us to drink the water that wells up to eternal life (John 4:14; 7:37). His sacred eyes were offended as His gaze surveyed what sin had done to all people (Matthew 23:27; Luke 13:34). Nevertheless, on the cross He bore the pain of all (1 Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:4-5, 11).

Stanza 2 asks the memorable and oft-quoted question of self-examination, "Do we pass that cross unheeding, breathing no repentant vow?" Ignorance or neglect is no less a sin than that of those who passed by His cross, seeing His "thorn-encircled brow" (stanza 2; see Matthew 27:29), wagging their heads and deriding Him outright (Mark 15:29-30; Psalm 22:7; 109:25). Yet His sinless suffering and death was the priceless sacrifice that alone brought us eternal life (John 3:15-16), peace (Colossians 1:20), and rest (2 Corinthians 5:21).

The sorrow of true repentance prepares the way for the gift of faith that prays, as in stanza 3, for more fervent, heartfelt love for Christ (Song of Solomon 8:6; Luke 24:32). Such faith and love lift our hearts and eyes always to behold the cross of Jesus, which has now become our own to bear as we follow Him.

## MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT

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## LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD Our Savior's miraculous radiance reveals three sanctity of life truths. The timing and manner of our deaths—like those of Jesus, Moses, and Elijah—are God's business and decision (Luke 9:30). Then, every human life receives a glory from Jesus that we cannot always immediately envision. Just because it's hidden doesn't mean it's missing. And this message isn't meant for keeping to ourselves!

## LUTHERAN TELEVISION, RADIO, & ONLINE PROGRAMS

DID YOU MISS A SUNDAY SERVICE OR BIBLE STUDY SESSION? Visit our website <a href="https://www.redeemer-lutheran.net">www.redeemer-lutheran.net</a> to find past services posted under Online Services/Video Services and Bible studies posted under Education/Bible Study Recordings.

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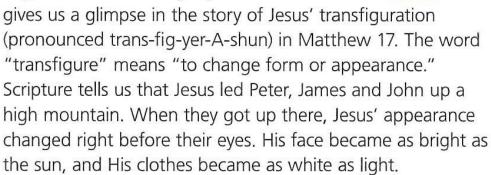
CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO AM850 & kfuo.org: We continue in the books of 1 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT) and Job on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT). Join us on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT) for the latest episode of "Lutherans in Australia" and search the Scriptures with us in the March edition of Lutheran Witness. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

SACRED MUSIC FOR THE SEASON OF LENT "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," "My Song Is Love Unknown," "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth." Beginning Ash Wednesday, you can listen to sacred music for the season of Lent 24/7 at <a href="https://lutheranpublicradio.org">https://lutheranpublicradio.org</a>, TuneIn, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.



# What is "The Transfiguration of our Lord"?

Have you ever wondered what Jesus might look like in His glory? The Bible



## Why didn't Jesus always appear like this while He was on earth?

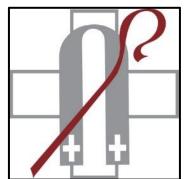
If Jesus would have been on earth in His state of glory, He wouldn't have been able to take our place under the Law and then they wouldn't have crucified Him. It was very important for Jesus to die on the cross as a man to pay for our sins. We too will see Jesus as He is in glory on the Last Day! Until then, we see Him: as our crucified and risen Savior revealed to us in the Word and Sacraments!



Parents: Read the story of Jesus' transfiguration in Matt. 17:1–13 with your children. Remind them that we will see Him in glory when we die just as the disciples saw Him on the mountain!

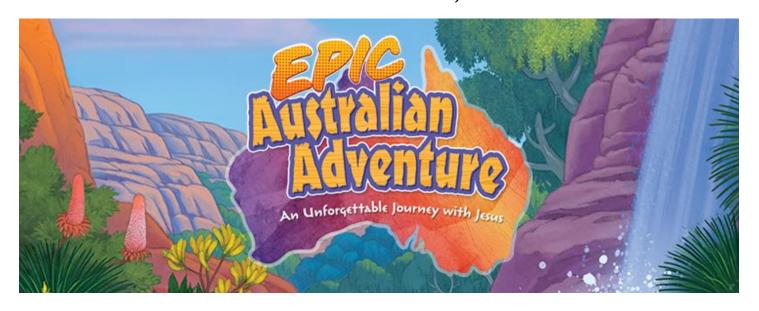


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## SAVE THE DATE – VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH, HUNTINGTON BEACH



**July 14-18, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM daily.** 

**FREE** for children 4 years old through those completing 5<sup>th</sup> grade

It's going to be a fantastic week focusing on the things that Jesus does for us! Please tell your family, friends and neighbors to SAVE THE DATE. If you are able to help out in any way for some or all of the week, please email Bonnie Volkert at <a href="mailto:bonnievolkert@gmail.com">bonnievolkert@gmail.com</a>. It's going to be Epic!!!

DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES.		
SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2025:		
Sunday, March 2:	Job 33:19-34:9; Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Hebrews 3:1-6;	
	Luke 9:28-36	
Monday, March 3:	Job 34:10-33 & John 11:17-37	
Tuesday, March 4:	Job 36:1-21 & John 11:38-57	
Wednesday, March 5:	Genesis 1:1-19 & Mark 1:1-13	
Thursday, March 6:	Genesis 1:20-2:3 & Mark 1:14-28	
Friday, March 7:	Genesis 2:4-25 & Mark 1:29-45	
Saturday, March 8:	Genesis 3:1-24 & Mark 2:1-17	
Sunday, March 9:	Genesis 41:1-26; Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Roman 10:8b-13;	
	Luke 4:1-13	

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