

## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD FEBRUARY 23 & 24, 2020

**Welcome to Worship!** The Festival of the Transfiguration of Our Lord serves as a wonderful transition from Epiphany to Ash Wednesday and Lent. The appearance of the God-Man at His Epiphany climaxes today in majestic glory on the Mount of Transfiguration, which looks forward to the greater revelation of the Lord's glory on the cross! The Lord has come to dwell with and redeem His people!

**First time guests:** Please stop by the Welcome Center for a travel mug and other gifts!

**A Staffed Nursery** is available at **9:00 A.M.** below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium.

**All Sunday School classes** meet UPSTAIRS. **Adult Bible Classes** are in the Fellowship Hall, and the **Adult Information Class** meets upstairs in 203. Everyone is welcome!

**Cell Phones:** *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

**Holy Communion** will be offered at **9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.** If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. Gluten free wafers are available. The Common Cup will be served to those who have not taken an individual cup. Wine with alcohol removed is in the center of the tray.

**Large Print bulletins and Hearing devices** are available from an usher.

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**THE PRELUDE:** "Opening Voluntary" - James Beckall

**THE OPENING HYMN:** "Jesus on the Mountain Peak" Hymn 415

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**+++ 9:00: THE INTROIT** - Choir

**THE KYRIE AND HYMN OF PRAISE:** "This is the Feast of Victory!" Page 152-155

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY** (We pray together)

**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. Amen.**

**THE WORD OF THE MONTH:** (we speak together)

**Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Psalm 90:1**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 24:8-18 (page 65)

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

## THE EPISTLE READING: 2 Peter 1: 16-21 (page 1019)

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

**THE ALLELUIA and VERSE:** Page 156

**THE GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9 (822) C: (Sing) Glory to You, O Lord.**

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it

is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: (Sing) Praise to You, O Christ!**

**THE HYMN:** "'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here" **Hymn 414**

**THE SERMON:** "God's Glorious Tent"

**THE CREED:** 9:00/7:00 NICENE, (page 158); 11:15 APOSTLES' (page 159)

**THE OFFERING:** (Please register Attendance and Communion)

**THE MUSICAL OFFERING:** 9:00 –"Where the Swallow Makes Her Nest" – Carl Schalk  
11:15 and 7:00 –"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" – Kevin Hildebrand

**THE PRAYERS**

+++ 9:00/7:00 HOLY COMMUNION: Pages 160-166; **Hymns: 527, 680, 821, 564, 620**

**THE CLOSING HYMN:** "Alleluia, Song of Gladness" **Hymn 417**

*Please take time after the closing hymn to greet and introduce yourself to those around you.*

**THE POSTLUDE:** "Rigaudon" – Andre Campra

*A Pastor will be available after the service in the chapel to take prayer requests or notes for care.*

**Preacher:** Pastor Bloch **Liturgists:** Pastor Blumenberg and Pastor Rodriguez

**Organist:** Paul Scheiderer

**Special Music:** Adult Choir, Youth Choir, Brass Ensemble

*Vicar Ronchetto is preaching at St. John's Farmer's Retreat*

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**Ash Wednesday is this Week! Services at 4:30 and 7:00.**

The season of Lent begins February 26. See the insert in the Informer for more information.

**Free Yard Sign**

Our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee invites you to take a **free** yard sign to take home to help share the news about our celebration this year!

**February 23 & 24, 2020**

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