



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Transfiguration Sunday – February 27, 2022



And a voice
came out of the cloud,
saying,
"This is my Son,
my Chosen One;
listen to him!"

Luke 9:35, ESV

Welcome to Our Savior's

Welcome to worship, especially our guests! We are delighted to have you with us. If you are looking for a church home, we are happy to share ours with you. If we haven't seen you in a while, it is great to see you today! May God bless your time with us richly.

Our Communion Practice: Close Communion

Holy Scripture admonishes us to be fully 'prepared' to receive the Lord's Supper: to 'recognize the "Real Presence" of the body and blood of the Lord', 'examine ourselves', and join together as 'one body', united in public confession of faith. On that basis, we practice **Close Communion**.

First time WELS or ELS visitors, please announce to the pastor. All other visitors, please refrain from participating until you have the opportunity to meet with our pastor and thoroughly study these scriptural truths.

Close Communion in no way means to judge anyone's personal faith in Jesus. We look forward to studying these scriptural beliefs so that together we can celebrate this expression of our true unity at the Lord's Table. Thank you for your cooperation and thank you for worshipping with us.

Prayer Before Communing

Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

Prayer After Communing

Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.

Our Worship

689 Renew Me, O Eternal Light

- 1 Renew me, O eternal Light,
and let my heart and soul be bright,
illuminated with the light of grace
that issues from your holy face.

- 2 Destroy in me the lust of sin,
from all impureness make me clean.
O grant me pow'r and strength, my God,
to strive against my flesh and blood.

- 3 Create in me a new heart, Lord,
that gladly I obey your Word.
O let your will be my desire
and with new life my soul inspire.

- 4 Grant that I only you may love
and seek those things which are above
till I behold you face to face,
O Light eternal, through your grace.

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Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

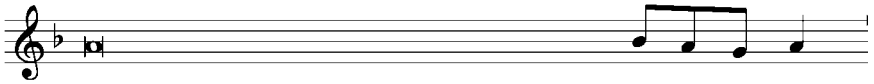
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



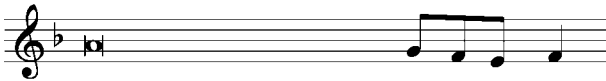
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

Glory Be to God

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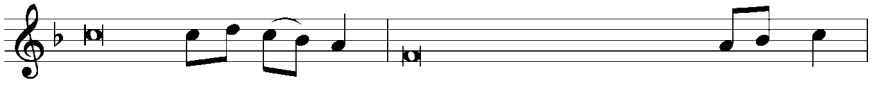
Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



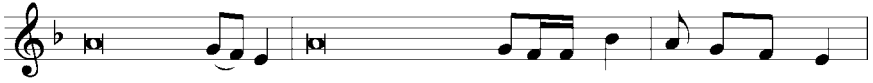
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



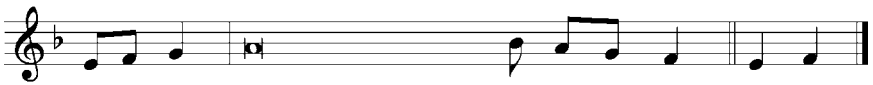
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of your only-begotten Son, you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice that came from the bright cloud, you foreshadowed our adoption as your sons. In your mercy, make us co-heirs of glory with Jesus our King, and bring us at last to heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Exodus 34:29–35

²⁹When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

³³When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. ³⁴But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

2D Great Are the Works of the LORD

Refrain

Great are the works of the LORD. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
lu - ia! Great are the works of the LORD.

Tone

Why do the nations / *conspire*
and the peoples / *plot in vain?*

The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together a- / *gainst*
the LORD

and against his A- / *nointed. Refrain*

The One enthroned in / *heaven laughs;*
the Lord / *scoffs at them.*

He rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, / *saying,*
“I have installed my King on Zion, my holy / *mountain.” Refrain*

I will proclaim the / *LORD’s decree:*

He said to me, “You are my Son; today I have become your / *Father.”*

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son

and to the Holy / Spirit,

as it was in the be- / ginning,

is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

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Tone



A cloud covered them, and a voice came from the cloud:

Refrain



“This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!”

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Gospel

Luke 9:28–36

²⁸About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. ³⁰Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. ³¹They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. ³²Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, “Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵A voice came from the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.” ³⁶When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

388 Down from the Mount of Glory

- 1 Down from the mount of glory
came Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Recall the wondrous story,
rich gem in sacred Word.
Again your faith will view him
in double glory here;
the greater homage due him
will in your life appear.

- 2 Transfigured, Christ, the lowly,
stood radiant in the light,
light found in Godhead solely,
for human eyes too bright.
Then came a voice from heaven,
confirmed what here we see;
the words “my Son” were given
to seal his deity.

- 3 Yet mark this glory hidden!
See him the mount descend
and, by the Father bidden,
his willing footsteps bend
to seek humiliation
in deepest depths of woe,
to suffer degradation
no mind can probe or know.

- 4 Strange how his journey ended!
In love that is his fame
our Lord again ascended
a mount—the hill of shame.
Upon the cross he proffered
himself to agony;
his holy soul he offered
to set the guilty free.

5 Then hail the double glory
of Jesus Christ, our Lord,
and let the wondrous story
full peace and joy afford!
The holy mount acclaims him
the majesty divine;
Mount Calvary proclaims him
Redeemer—yours and mine.

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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son

is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity.

Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

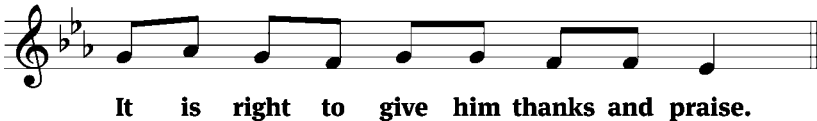
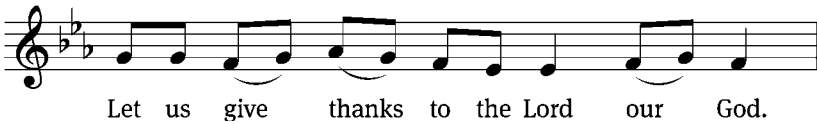
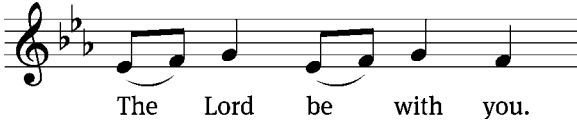
Amen.

Offering

The Sacrament

Preface

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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,
bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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 Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my T body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my T blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

Be seated

Distribution

668 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

- 1 Jesus comes today with healing,
knocking at my door, appealing,
off'ring pardon, grace, and peace.
He himself makes preparation,
and I hear his invitation:
"Come and taste the blessed feast."

- 2 Christ, the great High Priest presiding,
yet in bread and wine abiding
in this holy sacrament,
gives the bread of life, once broken,
and the cup, the precious token
of his sacred covenant.
- 3 Under bread and wine, though lowly,
I receive the Savior holy,
blood and body, giv'n for me,
very Lamb of God from heaven,
who to bitter death was given,
hung upon the cursèd tree.
- 4 God descends with heav'nly power,
gives himself to me this hour
in this ordinary sign.
On my tongue his pledge receiving,
I accept his grace, believing
that I taste his love divine.
- 5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
whose own feast of love I savor,
bidden by his gracious call.
Wedding garments he provides me,
with a robe of white he hides me,
fits me for the royal hall.
- 6 Now have I found consolation,
comfort in my tribulation,
balm to heal the troubled soul.
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
cleanses me from sin and error,
makes my wounded spirit whole.

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

Amen.

930 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

1 Go, my children, with my blessing,
never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you;
you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river

I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing,
you are my own.

- 2 Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story;
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.
- 3 Go, my children, fed and nourished,
closer to me;
grow in love and love by serving,
joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you;
here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished,
joyful and free.
- 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you
and give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you
and give you peace;
I the Lord will be your Father,
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, my children; I will keep you
and give you peace.

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***Thank you for worshiping with us!
May God richly bless your week.***

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This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ		
Today	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship with Communion Call Meeting
Wednesday	1:00 PM 4:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Worship with Communion Catechism
Thursday	6:30 PM	Small Group Bible Class
Sunday 3/6	9:30 AM 10:30 AM Noon	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship NLHS Together We Shine

Call Meeting Today Pastor Casmer has returned our call. Due to Tuesday's weather forecast, our call meeting was rescheduled to today and will follow our worship service.

Gifts We thank our Ladies' Aid members for their gift to the Vision fund given on the occasion of Carol Smith's hospitalization in October. *Thanks be to God for the love which led to this gift.*

OS School Open House & Registration: March 9

Extra postcards are in the narthex for you to share.

NLHS: Local Deals Coupon Books for 2022 are available in the narthex. Cost is \$20 and proceeds support Northland LHS.

“The Crucial Hours”: Lent 2022

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent, the church’s 40-day journey of repentance and renewal in preparation for Holy Week and Easter. “The Crucial Hours” series ponders key words and moments from the account of Jesus’ passion that demonstrate the thorough completeness of his saving work for us, the breadth and depth of his love for us, and the strength of his union with us.

Our Ash Wednesday worship is March 2 at 1:00 pm. We’ll also celebrate the Lord’s Supper. Please join us for light refreshments and fellowship after the service.

If you’re unable to attend our 1:00 Lenten services, we encourage you to attend one of our sister congregations’ Lenten worship services.

Our Stewardship of God’s Gifts: February 20, 2022

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Initial Env</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Missions</u>
\$10,658.55	\$175.00	\$90.00	\$5.00	\$35.00	\$110.00
<u>NLHS Tuition</u>	<u>NLHS Op</u>	<u>Memorials</u>	<u>OS School</u>	<u>Bldg Maint</u>	
\$15.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	
<u>School Fees</u>	<u>Calendars</u>	<u>Publications</u>			
\$16.00	\$28.00	\$13.00			

Attendance: February 20 – 63 online – 25 Total = 88

Serving Today

- Minister – Pastor Andrew Franzo
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Tony Sulko, Bill Unruh (*Next Sunday – Brost/Kurth*)



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