

Sunday, February 15th, 2026  
Transfiguration of Our Lord/  
Last Sunday after Epiphany  
10:30am



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# HOLY COMMUNION

*Please Silence Your Phones & Devices*

**PRELUDE**

Jacob Wilson

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

*You are invited to stand as able.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
the Word who spoke life into being,  
the Wind stirring the waters.

**Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us  
completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty God, lover of justice,  
**you call us to life in community,  
but we have served our own interests  
at the expense of our neighbors.  
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.  
We say the right words,  
but our hearts are far from you.  
Turn us to seek your face.  
Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,  
that we may do justice, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

The former things have passed away,  
 and new things God now declares:  
 Like a spring of water that never fails,  
 God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,  
 and forgives your sin in † Jesus' name.  
 May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,  
 and bless you with the gift of peace.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**      ELW # 834

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!  
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE

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 defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,

we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The musical score is written on ten staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The score includes a repeat sign at the end of the final line.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O God,

**In the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### **FIRST READING**

Exodus 24:12-18

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM**

Psalm 2

<sup>1</sup> Why are the nations in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

<sup>2</sup> **Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, against the LORD and against the LORD's anointed?**

<sup>3</sup> "Let us break their yoke," they say;

"let us cast off their bonds from us."

<sup>4</sup> **God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the LORD holds them in derision.**

<sup>5</sup> Then in wrath God speaks to them,  
and in rage fills them with terror.

<sup>6</sup> **"As for me, I have anointed my king upon Zion, my holy mountain."**

<sup>7</sup> Let me announce the decree of the LORD, who said to me,  
"You are my son; this day have I begotten you.

<sup>8</sup> **Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.**

<sup>9</sup> You shall crush them with an iron rod  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”  
<sup>10</sup> **And now, you kings, be wise;  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.**  
<sup>11</sup> Submit to the LORD with fear,  
and with trembling bow in worship;  
<sup>12</sup> **lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a  
sudden blaze of wrath. Happy are all who  
take refuge in God!**

## SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-21

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

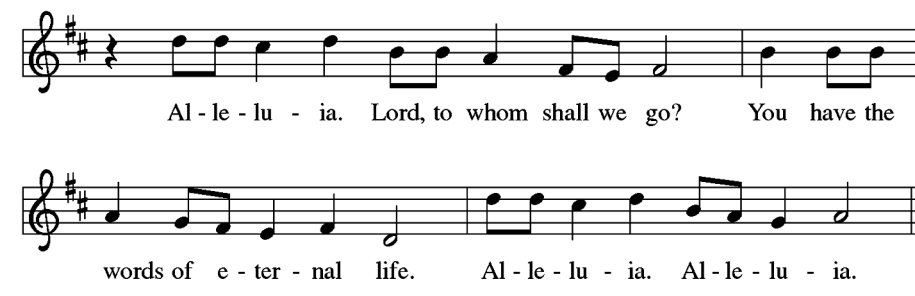
## CHOIR ANTHEM

Above the Hills of Time

## CHILDREN'S TIME

*You are invited to stand as able*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 17th Chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## SERMON

*You are invited to stand as able.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      ELW #726

**Light Dawns on a Weary World**

1 Light    dawns    on a    wea - ry    world    when eyes be - gin to  
2 Love    grows    in a    wea - ry    world    when hun - gry hearts find  
3 Hope    blooms    in a    wea - ry    world    when crea-tures, once for -

see    all    peo - ple's    dig - ni - ty.    Light    dawns    on a  
bread    and    chil - dren's    dreams    are    fed.    Love    grows    in a  
lorn,    find    wil - der - ness    re - born.    Hope    blooms    in a

wea - ry    world:    the    prom-ised    day    of    jus - tice    comes.  
wea - ry    world:    the    prom-ised    feast    of    plen - ty    comes.  
wea - ry    world:    the    prom-ised    green    of    E - den    comes.

*Refrain*

The trees shall clap their hands;    the dry lands, gush with springs;  
the hills and moun-tains shall break forth with sing - ing!  
We shall go out in joy,    and be led forth in peace,  
as all the world in won-der ech - oes    sha - lom.



## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the  
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Each portion of the prayers ends:*

Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's lovingkindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

**Amen.**

### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say "peace be with you," or similar words.*

*Please be seated.*

### **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **OFFERING**

*An offering is received for the mission of the church.*

### **MUSIC**

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

God of majesty,

**no eye has seen, no ear has heard**

**what you have prepared for those who love you,**

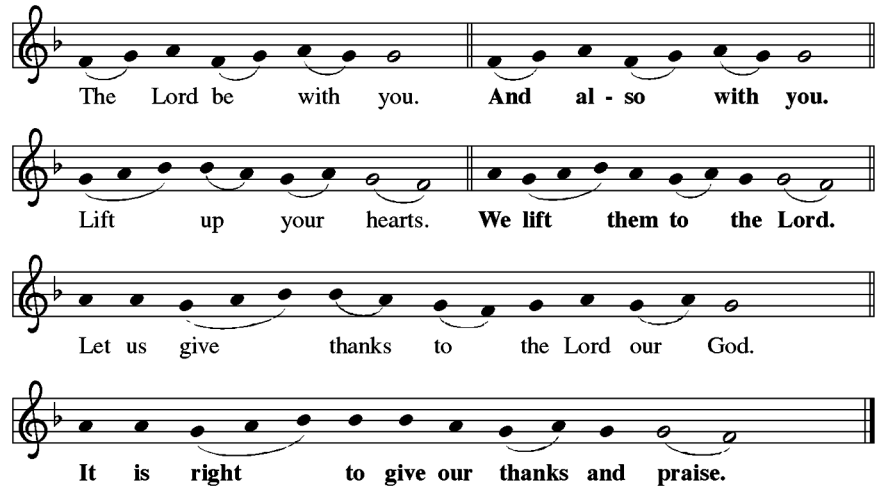
**yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.**

**Use what we have gathered**

**to feed us with the reign of God come near,**

**Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and  
love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant  
light. And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en 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 who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:  
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.  
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.  
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.  
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.  
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.  
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,  
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup

we remember your Word dwelling among us,  
full of grace and truth.

We remember our new birth in his death and  
resurrection.

We look with hope for his coming.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us.

Bless this meal.

May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people.

Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours,

Holy One of Israel,

Word of God incarnate,

Power of the Most High,

one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

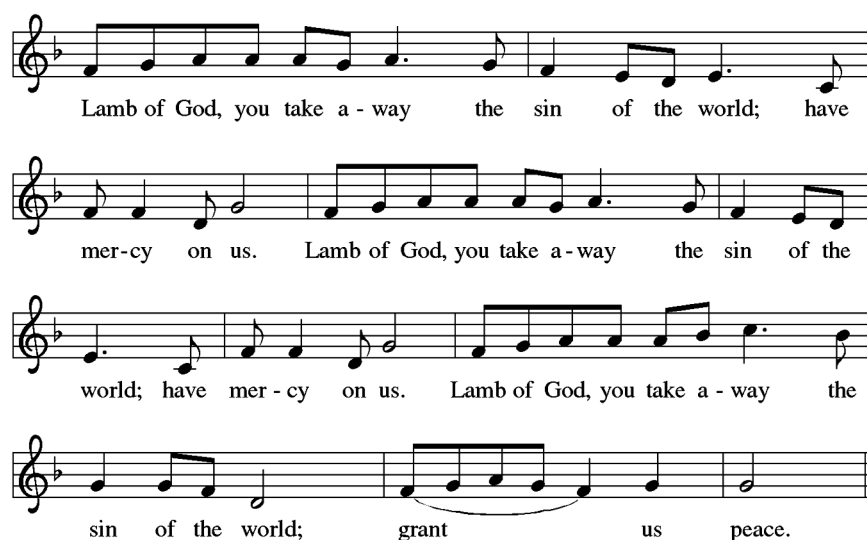
## LORD'S PRAYER

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 forever. Amen.

## COMMUNION

*All are welcome at Christ's table. Come forward at the usher's invitation. Those not yet communing will receive a blessing. Bread will be placed in your open hands. Grape juice is in the pink glasses in the center of the tray. Please let the server know if you would like grape juice. Individual communion packets are available near the entrance for those who prefer them.*

## COMMUNION SONG



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

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Radiant God,

**we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.**

**In the sacrament of his body and blood**

**you have drawn us to your heart.**

**Send us from this table with delight,**

**that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,**

**and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,**

**through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

### **SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### **BLESSING**

May the triune God,

who has put a new song in your mouth

and tuned your heart for praise

✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SENDING SONG    ELW#318

### Alleluia, Song of Gladness



- 1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that can - not die;
- 2 Al - le - lu - ia you are sound - ing, true Je - ru - sa - lem and free;
- 3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while here be - low;
- 4 In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless - ed Trin - i - ty,



al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choirs on high;  
al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju - bi - lee;  
al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions make us for a while for - go;  
at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith - ful saints on high;



in the house of God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
here by Bab - y - lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - iles still are we.  
for the sol - emn time is com - ing when our tears for sin shall flow.  
there to you for - ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Jane Fanucci



## **Worship Assistants**

Altar Care:	Kelly Boyer
Announcements:	Peggy Moser
Communion Servers:	Karen Linfor, Kirsten Ireton, & Connie Reule
Reader:	Clarence Korhonen
Prayer Leader:	Laura Tice
Refreshments:	Triss and Holly Hoppman
Song Leader:	Karen Linfor

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## **THIS WEEK AT ST. LUKE'S**

February 15- 21 , 2026

Today	Holy Communion	10:30a.m.
Monday	Soul Sisters—Room 4	12:00p.m.
Tuesday	Bible Study	10:30a.m.
	Church Council	6:00p.m.
Wednesday	Soup Supper	6:00p.m.
	Ash Wednesday Worship Service	7:00p.m.



Join the Choir - the choir is currently  
looking for new members .  
If interested—See Jane Fanucci

Choir Practice will be on Sunday's  
from 9:30am –10:15am



Urgent request on behalf of Evangelism. St Luke's is looking for volunteers to be Head Usher. If we can get four volunteers this would be a once a month position for each individual. I hope to have a schedule within the next week or two if we can get volunteers ASAP!

Please reach out to Laura Tice if you have any questions about what the duties would be 916-271-7566



**February 18 at 7pm in the Sanctuary**



Lenten Soup Suppers will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 18. Each board will be hosting the weekly soup suppers with W-ELCA hosting the first supper. Wednesday Lenten Soup suppers will begin at 6:00pm .

***February 25*** – Community Concerns and Evangelism

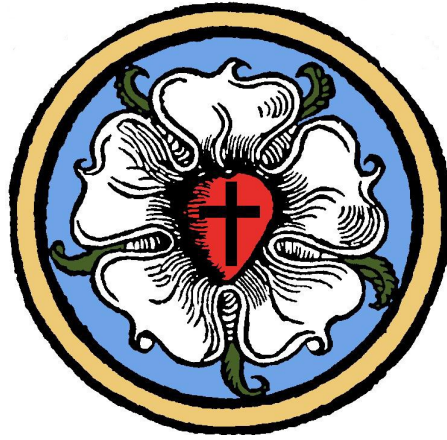
***March 4*** – Council and Christian Education

***March 11*** – Youth, Worship and Music and Choir

***March 18*** – Property and Finance

***March 25*** – Congregation

\*Sign-up sheets are in the narthex for donations of soup, bread and desserts.



Through the power of the  
Holy Spirit, we accept  
God's call to spread the  
Good News, serve those  
in need,  
and share the Victory of  
Jesus Christ  
throughout the world.

-St. Luke's Mission Statement