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**February 27, 2022; Transfiguration of Our Lord**



**Luke 9:28-36**

Prelude:

“Open the Eyes of My Heart” & “Amazing Grace”

Welcome

Music

“Every Move I Make” & “Shout to the North”

St. John Sunday School

Gathering Hymn:

“How Good, Lord, to be Here!”

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1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;  
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold  
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,  
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;  
5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;

your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.  
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.  
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.  
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt.  
Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, *The Church Psalter and Hymn Book*, 1854

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition of baptisms, weddings, confirmations...

*Apostolic Greeting:*

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

Response: **And also with you.**

*Hymn of Praise*

### ARISE SHINE

Arise, shine, for thy light is come.  
Arise, shine, for thy light is come;  
And the glory of the Lord is risen,  
the glory of the Lord is come,  
the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

*Prayer of the Day*

**Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Reading:

**Exodus 34:29-35**

Read by Monte Waldorf

<sup>29</sup>Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

**“This Little Light of Mine”**

This little light of mine, I’m goin’ a let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I’m goin’ a let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I’m goin’ a let it shine;  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev’rywhere, I go, I’m goin’ a let it shine  
Ev’rywhere, I go, I’m goin’ a let it shine  
Ev’rywhere, I go, I’m goin’ a let it shine  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I’m goin’ a let it shine  
Jesus gave it to me, I’m goin’ a let it shine  
Jesus gave it to me, I’m goin’ a let it shine  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Children’s Sermon

Gospel Acclamation:



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P: The Holy Gospel according to **Luke 9:28-36**



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

28 Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. 29 And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. 30 Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. 31 They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. 32 Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. 33 Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" —not knowing what he said. 34 While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. 35 Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" 36 When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and, in those days, told no one any of the things they had seen.

*P: The Gospel of the Lord...*

Praise to you, O Christ.

*Sermon*

Pastor Russ Leeper

*Hymn of the Day*

“Jesus on the Mountain Peak”

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1 Je - sus on the moun-tain peak stands a - lone in  
 2 Trem-bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -  
 3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came, God pro - claim - ing  
 4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and proph - ets

glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,  
 li - jah speak - ing. All the proph-ets and the law  
 in its thun - der Je - sus as the Son by name!  
 sing be - fore him, first and last and on - ly One.

join the saints and an - gels prais - ing.  
 shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing:  
 Na - tions, cry a - loud in won - der:  
 All cre - a - tion shall a - dore him!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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

The Prayers (P): Lord in your mercy,  
Response: **hear our prayer.**

*Please Keep the following in prayer:*

James Grob            Sandra Link            Bill Wohlers, Jr.  
Cliff Kelly            Marilu Wohlers            Cal Wood  
Dale Lamprecht

*Family of Robert "Bob" George Dight*

Please pray for all serving in the Armed Forces & their families: Mackenzy Bilharz, Alex Buenger, Kim Hall, Daniel Jacobs, Cameron Kakac, Robson Shankland

*The Prayer List:* Names will be kept on the list for 3 weeks. Family members can request a name be left on longer. The office number is 228-3397.

The Offering

The Offering Hymn

"Beautiful Savior"

# 838

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!  
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
than all the an - gels in the sky.  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

\*Response

“Take Our Lives”

Take our lives and let them be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
Take our moments and our days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take our love, oh Lord, we pour at your feet its treasure store;  
Take our lives and we will be ever yours eternally.

*The 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 this is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory forever and ever. Amen**

*The Benediction*

*Sending Hymn:*

“We are Marching in the Light”

#866

*Marching, Dancing, Praying, Singing*

We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, Oo we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, Oo we are marching in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of God,  
We are dancing in the light of God,  
We are dancing in the light of God,  
We are dancing in the light of God,  
We are dancing, Oo we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing, Oo we are dancing in the light of God.

We are praying in the light of God,  
We are praying in the light of God,  
We are praying in the light of God,  
We are praying in the light of God,  
We are praying, Oo we are praying in the light of God.  
We are praying, Oo we are praying in the light of God.

We are singing in the light of God,  
We are singing in the light of God,  
We are singing in the light of God,  
We are singing in the light of God,  
We are singing, Oo we are singing in the light of God.  
We are singing, Oo we are singing in the light of God.

P: Go in peace and share the Good News!

*Postlude:*

“Wonderful Words of Life” & “Thy Word”

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ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**February 27 - March 6**

Sunday **Transfiguration Sunday**  
**9:00 a.m. Worship**  
**10:05 a.m. Education Hour**  
10:00 a.m. 5th Grade  
Bakes bread

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Wednesday **Ash Wednesday**  
5:00 p.m. Supper  
**5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion**  
**5th grd. 1st Communion**  
6:30 p.m. Trinity Choir

Sunday **1st Sunday in Lent**  
**9:00 a.m. Worship/Comm**  
**10:00 a.m. Lent Event**

**Adult Bible Study**  
**Sundays at 10:15 in the Chapel**  
Each week we will be taking a closer look at the Bible readings for that Sunday. It's a chance to go deeper in the scriptures for that week and have conversation about them.

**Ash Wednesday  
March 2, 2022**

**5:30 p.m. Worship/Communion &  
5<sup>th</sup> grade 1<sup>st</sup> Communion**



**At-Home Ash and Communion Kits  
for Ash Wednesday, March 2**

We will be live streaming our in-person Ash Wednesday Service on March 2 at 5:30 PM. If you will be worshipping with us on YouTube, we invite you to stop by the church ahead of time and pick up a small container of ashes and Holy Communion packets for you and/or your family. We will instruct you during the service when to use them. We'll also have these available at the in-person service for those who prefer to not come forward. The church office is open 8:30 AM - Noon & 1-4 PM, Monday - Friday.



**Lent Event!** Will be March 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.  
Everyone is invited to join and make a **Calvary Hill Grass Scene!**  
Refreshments & goodies provided.

**Modern Parables: A Lenten Film Festival  
Wednesday Lenten services at 5:30 p.m. beginning March 9**

Join us at 5:30 p.m. for in-person and livestream Wednesday Lenten services as we look at the parables of Jesus. At each week's service, we'll view a short film which places one of Jesus' parables in a modern-day context. The films are not loosely based on the parables, but accurately follow the original text. The goal of the films is to recreate the emotional, intellectual, and spiritual impact of Jesus' original parables. The schedule of films is as follows:

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|------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| <b>March 9:</b>  | "Hidden Treasure"       | Matthew 13:44 |
| <b>March 16:</b> | "Samaritan"             | Luke 15:11-32 |
| <b>March 23:</b> | "The Shrewd Manager"    | Luke 16:1-9   |
| <b>March 30:</b> | "The Widow & the Judge" | Luke 18:1-8   |
| <b>April 6:</b>  | "The Prodigal Son"      | Luke 15:11-32 |

Our Lenten Film Festival services will be a mixture of singing, scriptures, cinema, reflection, and prayer. We hope you will join us in-person or online.



**“ALL A BOARD”**

**Meeting night is Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**

All boards will gather to meet as individual boards and as a large group!

**The Annual Ladies Luncheon**

will be  
Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.  
in the Parish Hall

The theme this year is *Water Your Garden!*

The Family Board invites all the ladies & their friends to join in this fun event. There will be lunch, dessert, a short program and a pretty “Photo Booth” to snap a few cute pictures of your group!

Tickets can be purchased in the office until March 25<sup>th</sup>. \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for girls ages 6-18, & under 6 free.



**After Worship Social Time**

Coffee & a treat are served in the Parish Hall each Sunday! If you would like to volunteer to bring the treats, **you can sign up on the chart next to the Altar flower/radio broadcast sheet just inside the door of the Narthex**, or call Kathy in the office. What you choose to bring for a treat is entirely up to you! Coffee & napkins are provided by St. John.

**Easter Lilies**

If you would like to donate towards the Easter lilies for Easter Sunday let the office know at 641-228-3397.



**Wednesday Night Supper  
Ash, Wednesday, March 2:**

Spaghetti, lettuce salad, rolls, broccoli,  
“Pokie” cake

**Helping Hands** has about 20 people ready, willing, and able to help run errands, do minor household help, and provide transportation. If you need any of these services, please call Kathy at the church office during regular business hours. Someone will contact you within 48 hours of receiving the message to make arrangements to help.

**REMINDER:** Those students attending a Lutheran college who would like to receive an EPIC grant must notify the church by **May 1<sup>st</sup>**.

St. John scholarship applications for non-Lutheran colleges can be emailed to you and should be emailed to the office by **May 1<sup>st</sup>**.

**Offering from the week of  
February 20, 2022**

General Receipts	\$ 9,884.20
Designated offering	240.00

**Attendance: 224**

**Altar Flowers & Radio Broadcast**

Sign up to sponsor Altar flowers/Radio Broadcast on the glass case in the Narthex!

*“We extend our gratitude and appreciation to Diane Melrose for the recent memorial she gave to St. John in memory of Jim Jensen. Thank you!”*