



*"Listen to him!"*

MARK 9:7

TRANSFIGURATION  
SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 11, 2024 FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

# WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.  
Please sign the guest register in the entry  
as you leave the church today.

## TODAY'S SERVICE

February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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**Speaker:**

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**Organist:**

Vanessa Meyer

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# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 50:1-6*

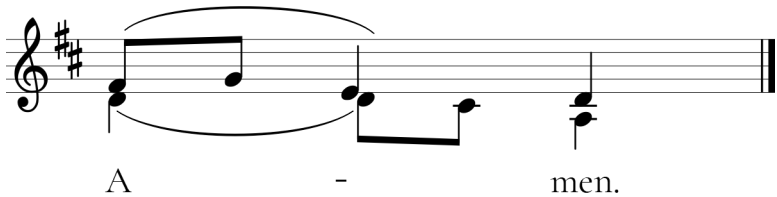
The Mighty One, God the LORD, Has spoken and called the earth From the rising of the sun to its going down. <sup>2</sup> Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God will shine forth. <sup>3</sup> Our God shall come, and shall not keep silent; A fire shall devour before Him, And it shall be very tempestuous all around Him. <sup>4</sup> He shall call to the heavens from above, And to the earth, that He may judge His people: <sup>5</sup> "Gather My saints together to Me, Those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice." <sup>6</sup> Let the heavens declare His righteousness, For God Himself is Judge. Selah

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #657 Beautiful Savior

### INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

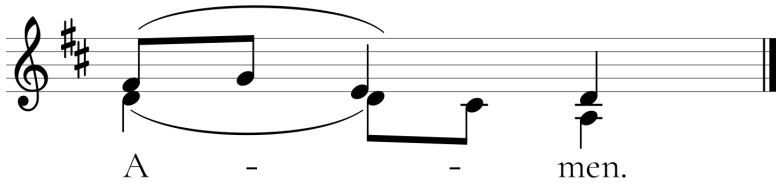


### CONFESSION OF SINS

p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

p God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.





Glo - ry to God, we  
Lord Je - sus Christ, the  
A - lone, O Christ, You



give You thanks and praise; Of heav'n - ly  
Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You bore for  
on - ly are the Lord, At God's right



joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor-ship  
us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of  
hand in maj-es - ty most high: Who, with the

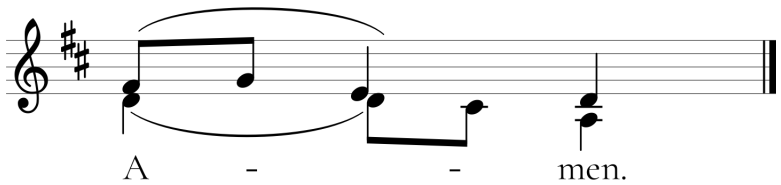


You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al-  
God, Your glo-rious vic-t'ry won, Re - ceive our  
Spir - it worshiped and a - dored, With all the



might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King  
prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

p Let us pray . . . 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 foreshadowed 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, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

**2 Kings 2:1-12** And it came to pass, when the LORD was about to take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup> Then Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and *as your*

soul lives, I will not leave you!" So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup> Now the sons of the prophets who *were* at Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that the LORD will take away your master from over you today?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent!" <sup>4</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and *as* your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup> Now the sons of the prophets who *were* at Jericho came to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that the LORD will take away your master from over you today?" So he answered, "Yes, I know; keep silent!" <sup>6</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and *as* your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup> And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went and stood facing *them* at a distance, while the two of them stood by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup> Now Elijah took his mantle, rolled *it* up, and struck the water; and it was divided this way and that, so that the two of them crossed over on dry ground. <sup>9</sup> And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?" Elisha said,



"Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me." <sup>10</sup> So he said, "You have asked a hard thing. *Nevertheless*, if you see me *when I am* taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so." <sup>11</sup> Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire *appeared* with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup> And Elisha saw *it*, and he cried out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!" So he saw him no more. And he took hold of his own clothes and tore them into two pieces.

**2 Corinthians 3:12-4:6** <sup>12</sup> Therefore, since we have such hope, we use great boldness of speech-- <sup>13</sup> unlike Moses, *who* put a veil over his face so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the end of what was passing away. <sup>14</sup> But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the *veil* is taken away in Christ. <sup>15</sup> But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. <sup>16</sup> Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the

Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. <sup>18</sup> But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. <sup>NKJ</sup> **2 Corinthians 4:1** Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup> But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, <sup>4</sup> whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. <sup>5</sup> For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup> For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

p Blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may believe that

Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From

there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

## #135 Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

### SERMON

**Mark 9:2-8** <sup>2</sup> Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and led them up on a high mountain apart by themselves; and He was transfigured before them. <sup>3</sup> His clothes became shining, exceedingly white, like snow, such as no launderer on earth can whiten them. <sup>4</sup> And Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" -- <sup>6</sup> because he did not know what to say, for they were greatly afraid. <sup>7</sup> And a cloud came and overshadowed them; and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved

Son. Hear Him!" <sup>8</sup> Suddenly, when they had looked around, they saw no one anymore, but only Jesus with themselves.

## THE VIEW IS ALWAYS WORTH IT

Jesus knows that we need this view, not just today but every day. It is sometimes hard to find time to go up the mountain, but the view is always worth the effort.

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The image shows a musical score for a song. It consists of three staves of music in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The lyrics are: "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re- new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a- way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly".

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re-  
new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a-  
way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly



Spir-it from me. Restore to me the joy of Your sal-  
va-tion. Up - hold with Your Spir-it free.

## #53:1-3 Abide O Dearest Jesus

### OFFERING HYMN #441 VS. 1-2

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from  
Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first fruits  
give!

## PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.

## THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



## #53:4-6 Abide O Dearest Jesus

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Sunday, February 11**

9am Worship Service  
10:00 am Sunday School  
10:15am Bible Class

### **Tuesday, February 13**

6:30pm Elders  
7pm Council

### **Wednesday, February 14**

3:45 Confirmation Class  
7:pm Ash Wednesday with Com-  
munion

### **Sunday, February 18**

9am worship Service  
10am Sunday School  
10:15 Bible Class

## **FRUITS OF FAITH**

Sunday Service - 79  
Sunday School - 4  
Bible Class - 9  
General Fund - \$ 5144  
Missions - \$ 835  
In honor of Ron and Virginia  
Kearley \$60 to School Fund  
Building Fund - \$ 50

## **USHERS FOR FEBRUARY**

John Bobek, Dan Thiem,  
Tim Gabrielski, Jeremy Golz

## **COUNTERS**

### **This Week Team # 2**

Jim Hannaman, Lloyd Schmidt

### **Next Week Team # 3**

Preston Schmidt, Robert Schmidt

## **VBS**

VBS is scheduled for July 15-19.

## **BB HOOP**

The school board is asking if anyone has a basketball hoop they aren't using and wouldn't mind donating to the school. If so please speak to Clay Bobek.

## **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

Gen. 22:1-18  
Psalm 25:1-10  
James 1:12-18  
Mark 1:9-15



## CALL NEWS

Teacher Ross Kok of Holy Cross Lutheran School in Phoenix, AZ has returned the call from Gethsemane Lutheran School in Saginaw, MI.

Pastor Paul Krause of Zion Lutheran in Hidewood and Trinity Lutheran in Watertown, SD is still considering the calls from Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI and St. Peter's Lutheran of Iron River, MI.

Teacher Amy Osborne of Holy Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC, is still considering the call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.

Teacher Kendra Rodebaugh of Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane, WA, has been called to Messiah Lutheran School, Hales Corners, WI.

Grace Lutheran of Valentine, NE has called Noah Ohlmann to be their fourth full-time teacher (teaching the lower grades) beginning in January 2025 after his December 2024 graduation. Noah has accepted this call.

Teacher Matthew Kranz, Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN, has been called by Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI to be their 5th-6th grade teacher and assistant principal.

Teacher Matthew Thurow of Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Heights, MN has been called to be a professor at Immanuel Lutheran High School and College in Eau Claire, WI. This is to fill the position currently held by Professor Mark Kranz who is retiring at the end of this school year.

## Sermon Worksheet - Mark 9:2-8

Six days after what?

What does the Greek term translated “led them up” mean?

What Old Testament figure was also “brought up the mountain?”

In what context does Peter use the same word?

What does it mean to offer ourselves as a living sacrifice?

What mistake did Peter make?

What caused Peter to make such a mistake?

Why do we need the view of Jesus?

What do we find at the top of the mountain?

What comparison does the writer of Hebrews make?

What is the difference between this mountain and that one?



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