



Lutheran Church

Transfiguration of Our Lord

8:30 a.m., February 11, 2024

Worship Leadership

Rev. Christian Marien, *Lead Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Acompañado, *Pastor*

Rev. Edwin Aparicio, *Pastor*

Vicki Taylor, *Director of Music Ministries*

Acolyte: Colgan Folkers

Altar Guild: Marge Schroeder

Choir Accompanist: Kathy Johnson

Communion: Marge and Todd Schroeder

Greeters: Richard and Sharon Boward

Media: Kurt Werner

Reader: Bonnie Thiesenhusen

Ushers: Bill Klippel, Dennis Mohr

Usher: Jeff Rohrer

PRELUDE **Siyahamba** (We Are Marching in the Light), *arr. John Behnke*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / FAITH WITNESS by **Jeremy Poling**

OPENING HYMN **When Morning Gilds the Skies** **ELW 853**

GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE **This Is the Feast** **p. 140**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty God, the glorious light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transform us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

ANTHEM **Siyahamba** (We Are Marching in the Light)
South African **Children's Choir,
Ascension Choir**

CHILDREN'S TIME **Pastor Chris**

FIRST READING

2 Corinthians 4:5-6

For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light 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.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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 ANNOUNCEMENT

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.

C:



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

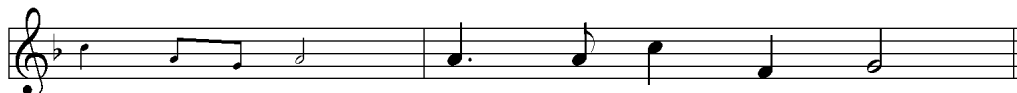
GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C:



Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN

Be Not Afraid

Verse 1

1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain

Be not a - fraid. I go be - fore you al - ways.
Come, fol-low me, and I will give you rest.

Verse 2

2. If you pass through rag - ing wa-ters in the

sea, you shall not drown. If you walk a-mid the burn-ing flames,
 you shall not be harmed. If you stand be-fore the
 pow'r of hell and death is at your side,
 know that I am with you through it all. **D.S.**

Verse 3

3. Bless-ed are your poor, for the king - dom shall be
 theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for
 one day you shall laugh. And if wick-ed tongues in -
 sult and hate you all be-cause of me,
 bless-ed, bless-ed are you! **D.S.**

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Comfort: For friends and family of Betterae Riekkoff following her death
For Kelly Hoeg and family at the death of her father, Jim
With Kathy Bue for her sister, Betty Eckart, and family at the death of her husband Bob

Healing: Kenny and Maxine Berdoll, hospitalized
Sue Williams, surgery for broken hip

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838



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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All those believing in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection are welcome to receive communion at this table of grace. We offer both bread and wine for holy communion. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available.

LAMB OF GOD

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HYMNS

Now the Silence

ELW 460

Christ, Be Our Light

ELW 715

How Good, Lord, to Be Here!

ELW 315

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son ☩, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

ELW 318

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Alleluia, Song of Gladness, *setting by Michael Burkhardt*



ASCENSION

Children Are God's Gift: We are a noisy church. We are happy to celebrate the sounds of children during worship. You are welcome to step into the lobby with your child for a break.

Pew Pads: Please fill-out the pew pad and pass it to your neighbor. You might make a new friend!

Ash Wednesday Worship: Join us this Wednesday, Feb. 14, for Ash Wednesday worship at 12 and 6:30 p.m. Spanish worship will be at 7 p.m.

Wednesday Nights in Lent Starting Feb. 21: Join us for soup supper at 6 p.m. followed by worship at 6:45 p.m. starting Feb. 21 and ending March 20. Please sign-up to help/contribute.

CRASH Pizza Night Fundraiser: Noah's Pizza is hosting another CRASH night on Thursday, Feb. 15. Call the restaurant (262) 696-8001 from 4 to 7 p.m. and tell them you are an Ascension member. Twenty percent of sales will go to the Youth Gathering fundraiser. Anything on the menu counts!

First Communion Stepping Stones: Preparation for first communion begins for 4th grade students and their families in February. Classes will take place during BLAST today and Feb. 18.

Journey to the Cross Food Pantry Donations: Part of BLAST's Journey to the Cross on Feb. 25 is collecting donations for the Food Pantry. The congregation and BLAST families are invited to bring non-perishable food items to donate. Please have your donation here on Feb. 25.

JOLT/CRASH: CRASH meets Sunday, Feb. 18, 6 p.m. JOLT students and families are encouraged to attend Wednesday night soup suppers and worship during Lent instead of the regular JOLT sessions.

Love Your Church, Love Your World: Ascension celebrates *Love Your Church, Love Your World* during February. Choose a heart from the sanctuary window and donate to show your love or consider helping in a new way, either with worship media or serving communion.

Commitment Cards: Don't forget to return your enclosed 2024 commitment card. Commitments may also be filled-out online at <https://tinyurl.com/ALCpledge>.

GriefShare Support: We're looking for volunteers to provide support with snacks and donations for GriefShare on Tuesday nights. Please see the Sign-Up Genius <http://tinyurl.com/GriefSupport24>. Contact Pastor Tony, tony@ascensionelca.org, with questions.

Healing Hearts Meal: Our next meal for Healing Hearts is Monday, Feb. 19. We will be providing a soup supper. Please see the available slots in the Sign-Up Genius <http://tinyurl.com/HHFeb24> and click on your selection for volunteering or donating. Food should be brought to Ascension by 3 p.m. or right at 4:30 p.m. Servers will be done by 6:15 p.m.

Young at Heart: The Young at Heart group (55+) will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 1 p.m. for food, fun and fellowship. Bring a dish to pass if you're able.

Are You Visiting?

Date of Visit: _____

Time of Worship: _____

Names: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

How did God invite you here?

***How can we share the life of
Ascension with you?***

- Newsletter: e-mail or U.S. Mail
- BLAST (ages 3-5th gr.)
- JOLT (confirmation, 6-8th gr.)
- CRASH (high school)
- Bible study (small groups)
- Choirs or other music ministries
- Serving others (local/global options)
- Starting Point class (membership)

Please place in the offering plate.

CALENDAR

Sun Feb 11

8:30am Worship S
9:45am BLAST
9:50am 1st Comm WH
10:45am Misa EH
10:45am Worship S
7pm AA WH

Mon Feb 12

10am Adult Ed HR
6pm Adult Ed HR
6:30pm AA Sm Group
WH
6:30pm Amen CR
7pm Jubilate S

Tue Feb 13

7am AMEN zoom
9:30am Women's Bible
CR
6pm GriefShare CR
6pm Handbells S
7pm Holloway group HR
7:15pm Adult Choir S

Wed Feb 14

Ash Wednesday
12pm Worship
6:30pm Worship
7pm Misa EH
7pm AA WH

Thu Feb 15

9:30am TGIT HR
10am AI Anon CR
1pm Hansen Group CR

Sat Feb 17

12:30pm Knit Wits WH

Sun Feb 18

8:30am Worship S
9:45am BLAST
9:50am 1st Comm WH
10:45am Misa EH
10:45am Worship S
7pm AA WH

Mon Feb 19

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6:30pm AA Sm Group
WH
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Tue Feb 20

7am AMEN zoom
9:30am Women's Bible
CR
6pm GriefShare CR
6pm Handbells S
7pm Church council HR
7:15pm Adult Choir S

Wed Feb 21

12pm Young at Heart
WH
6pm Soup Supper
6:45pm Worship S
7pm AA WH

Thu Feb 22

10am AI Anon CR
5pm Children's Choir
MR

Sat Feb 24

9am Jubilate S



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