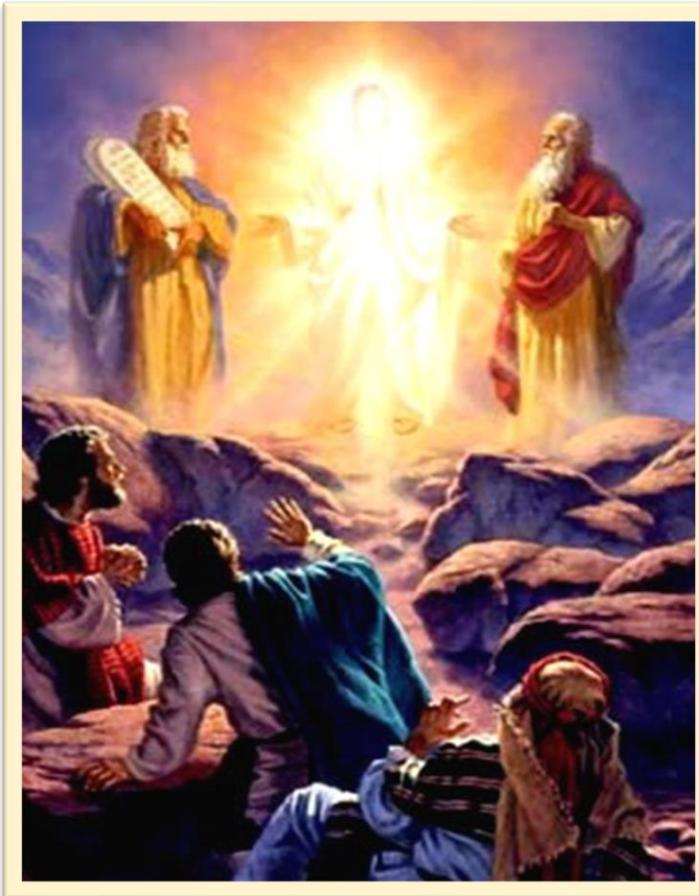


**+THE DIVINE SERVICE+**  
**OF THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**  
**THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD + 24 JANUARY 2021**

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# The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

“A Church where God gives and we receive.”

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## Welcome to our Divine Service!

*We are pleased that you are with us.*

### +Worship Notes+

*The entire service, including the rubrics of when to sit and when to kneel or stand, and what to say, is printed out in this folder so you may follow along.*

**Welcome to weekly Divine Service at The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church!** We are a congregation that confesses the Holy Bible as inerrant, that justification is by faith according to the Holy Bible and confessed in the 1580 Book of Concord. God bless you.

**To all of you who are visiting** our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. Please introduce yourself to our pastor. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world. **If you are looking for a church home** and would like to know about our beliefs and practice, please see the pastor. He will be happy to visit with you at your convenience.

Please see our statement on Holy Communion on p. 13

Please see more notes on the Service and for the facility below and on pgs 21ff

**PLEASE:** Upon entering the nave, **silence** should be observed in order to allow all to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the LORD and the reception of His gifts.

### Stay Home when Sick

If you are sick or are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, please stay home. If you start to experience symptoms while in attendance at a service or out anywhere else, please go home immediately, exiting down the side aisle, if possible. If at a service, notify an Usher on your way out so we may direct our cleaning and communication efforts.

### **Facility and Service Modifications**

#### Until Further Notice Include, But Are Not Limited to:

**Narthex:** Do not congregate here at any time

**Masks:** to be worn at all times in the presence of others

**Distancing:** Please maintain six feet of separation unless in same household.

**No food or drink** served after the service.

**No Sunday** Adult Bible Class or Sunday School.

**Bulletin:** Pick one up for each individual upon entry, maintaining physical distancing from others in front of you.

Hymns and liturgy are complete in the bulletin.

**Seating:** In any open (non-taped) pew on either side of the center aisle.

**No Tuesday** Matins or Bible Class.

# Confession and Absolution

## Hymn of Invocation

## 414 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here



1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy  
 2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy  
 3 Ful - fill - er of the past And  
 4 Be - fore we taste of death, We  
 5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet



glo - ry fills the night; Thy face and gar - ments,  
 beau - ty to be - hold Where Mo - ses and E -  
 hope of things to be, We hail Thy bod - y  
 see Thy king - dom come; We long to hold the  
 we may not re - main; But since Thou bidst us



like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
 li - jah stand, Thy mes - sen - gers of old.  
 glo - ri - fied And our re - demp - tion see.  
 vi - sion bright And make this hill our home.  
 leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

Tune and text: Public domain

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the **+** Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

LSB 184

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** who made heaven and earth.  
**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

### Confession of Sins

*LSB 184*

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

### Absolution

*LSB 185*

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 84:1–2a, 4, 10–11; antiphon: Psalm 77:18b*

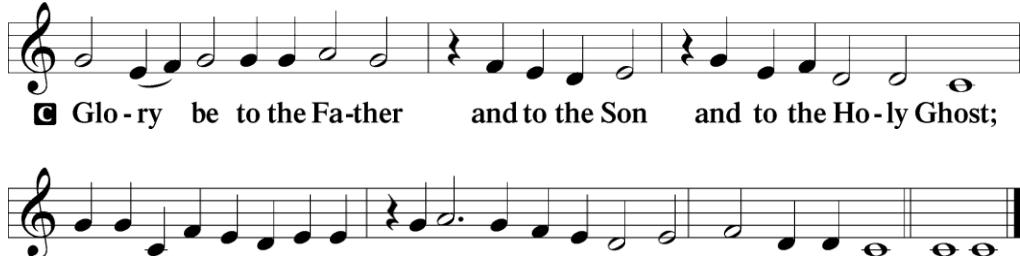
*Your lightnings lighted | up the world;\*  
the earth trem- | bled and shook.*

How lovely is your dwelling place, O | LORD of hosts!\*  
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD.  
Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,\*  
ever sing- | ing your praise!

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand | elsewhere.\*  
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of | wickedness.  
For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and | honor.\*  
No good thing does he withhold from those who walk up- | rightly.

## Gloria Patri

LSB 186



C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Kyrie

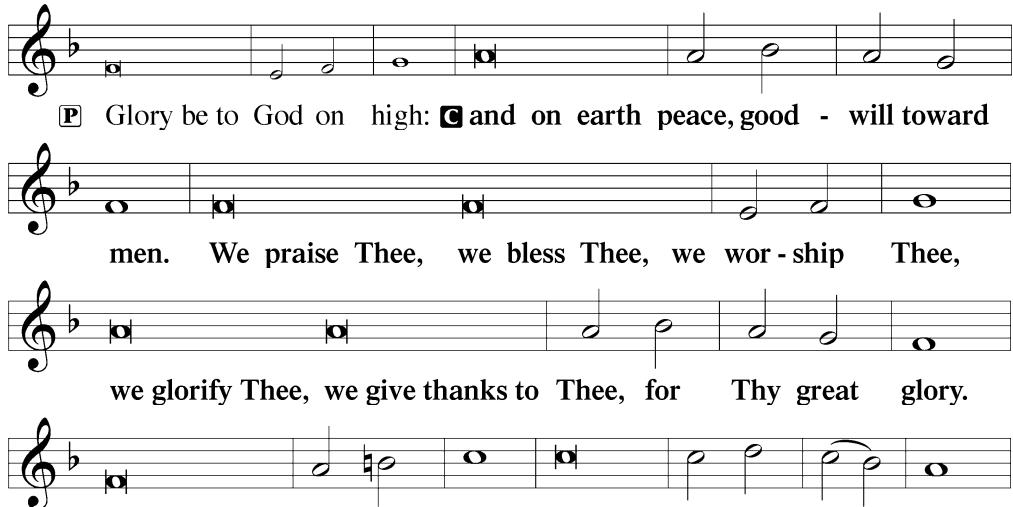
LSB 186



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

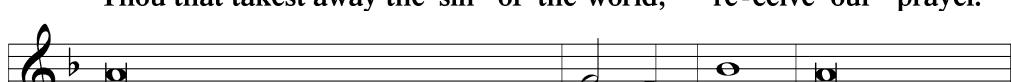
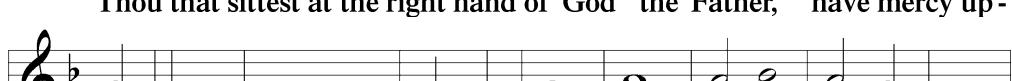
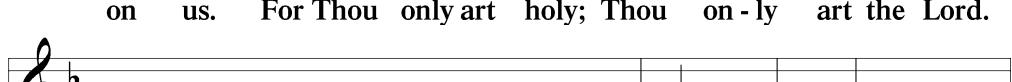
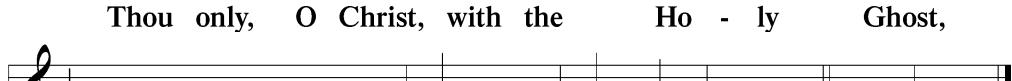


P Glory be to God on high: C and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.


 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  

 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  

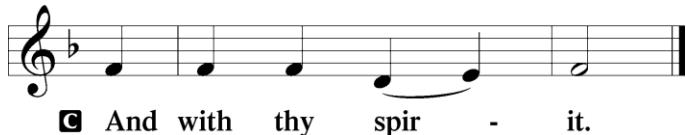
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.  

 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.  

 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -  

 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  

 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  

 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** 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 foreshowed 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, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



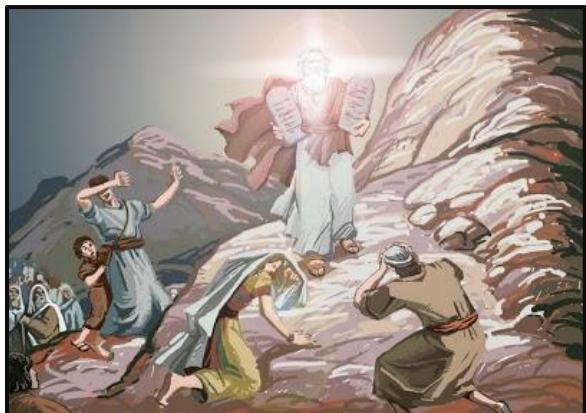
**C** A - men.

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 34:29–35*

<sup>29</sup>When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, 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 talked with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.



<sup>34</sup>Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, <sup>35</sup>the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 45:2a; 110:1*

*You are the most handsome of the | sons of men;\*  
grace is poured up- | on your lips.  
The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my | right hand,  
until I make your enemies your | footstool."*

## Epistle Reading

*2 Peter 1:16-21*

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom

I am well pleased," <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.



**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia

LSB 190



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

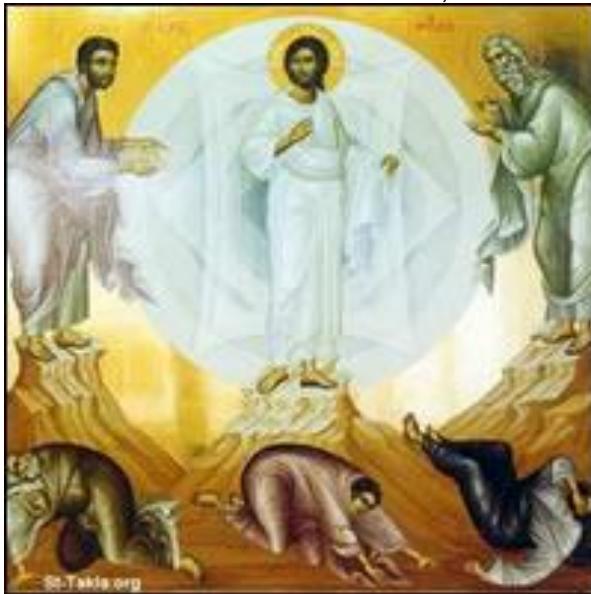
Matthew 17:1-9

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.



<sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” <sup>5</sup>He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, **“Rise, and have no fear.”** <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, **“Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.”**

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.

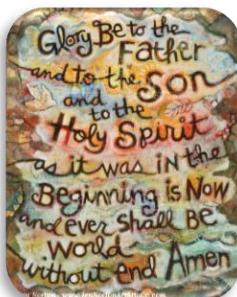
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life **†** of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*



## Hymn of the Day

413 [O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair](#)

1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair  
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh  
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray  
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high  
 △ 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son

Of glo - ry that the Church may share,  
 The in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;  
 Christ deigns to man i - fest to day  
 By this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,  
 And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one,

Which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,  
 And from the cloud Ho - ly One  
 What glo - ry shall be theirs a bove  
 For which in joy ful strains we raise  
 We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace

Where bright - er than the sun He glows!  
 Bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.  
 Who joy in God per - fect love.  
 The voice of prayer, with the hymn of praise.  
 To see Thy glo - ry face to face.

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## Sermon

Pastor Killian

## Votum

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**C** Amen.

**Offering** *Collected in the Narthex after service.*

*Stand*

## Offertory

LSB 192

The musical notation consists of five staves of music in G clef, common time, and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with the first line starting with a bass note and continuing through the remaining staves. The lyrics are as follows:

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church

*Response to petitions is, "Lord, have mercy".*

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
  
- P** For the baptized, that we would heed our heavenly Father's admonition to listen to His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, as He speaks to us through His Holy Word and Sacraments; and that we would, by grace through faith, behold Him in His glory as He continues to tabernacle among us, delivering forgiveness, life and salvation through the same, let us pray to the Lord:
- P** For those who are called and ordained to serve in Christ's stead and by His command, that all their preaching and teaching would flow from the right understanding that all Holy Scripture testifies of Christ and all that He has done, and continues to do, for our eternal salvation, let us pray to the Lord:
- P** For parents in every Christian home, that they would pass on the faith to their children by word and deed, let us pray to the Lord:
- P** For all those who have been placed in authority over us, including Joseph, recently inaugurated as our president, that they would serve with integrity and honor, having the welfare of all in mind; and for our country, that division,

conflict and strife would give way to unity, peace and quietness, let us pray to the Lord:

- P** For the Lord's flock here at The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, that we would be granted faithfulness, humility and patience in our various vocations, striving to love God and neighbor in all that we say and do, let us pray to the Lord:
  - P** For all those who are sick, hospitalized, recovering, enduring ongoing treatment or suffering in any way, especially *Alice, Abai, April, Charles, Cynthia, Dalton, David, Debra, Faith, Irmgard, James, Jamesetta, Jod, Johnathan, Karen, Katheryn, Lucy, Lynette, Margie, Marie, Marion and her family, Martin, Rex, Rodgers, Susan, and Susie* that they would know Your peace and receive healing and relief according to Your gracious will; and for those who mourn, that they would be comforted by the sure and certain hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:
  - P** For those who come to the holy altar this day to the Holy Communion of Christ's true body and blood, that receiving the forgiveness of sins, they would be strengthened in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another, let us pray to the Lord:
  - P** All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Him, with Him and in Him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, forever and ever.
- C** Amen.

## Service of the Sacrament

**PASTORAL CARE AND HOLY COMMUNION:** At The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Altar every Lord's Day. In this Sacrament, we joyfully receive Christ's true Body and Blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins.

As we celebrate the Sacrament, we also give public confession of our unity in the Christian faith (1 Cor. 10). Members of this congregation and those others in good standing of congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and congregations in which the LCMS is in Altar/Pulpit fellowship are asked to announce themselves to the pastor prior to midnight the eve of the service. All others are invited to speak with the pastor regarding preparation for communion fellowship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Those who are baptized but not receiving communion are invited to come forward for a blessing, kneeling with arms crossed at your heart.

Please be assured that we do so not out of spiritual arrogance, but rather in a sincere desire to be faithful to our Lord's command and the apostles' teaching. For more information, please take one of the trifold brochures in the Narthex entitled, "Why?" Sacraments and Closed Communion. For scriptural reference regarding our Communion practice, please see the laminated cards located in the hymnal/Bible holder on the back of the pew.

## Preface

LSB 194

The musical notation consists of three staves of G clef music. The first staff has a continuous melody. The second staff begins with a response by the congregation. The third staff begins with another response by the congregation.

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.  
**C** It is meet and right so to do.



## Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

LSB 194

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 195

The musical notation consists of two staves of G clef music. The first staff has a continuous melody. The second staff begins with a response by the congregation.

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy 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 that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 196



**P** Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,



Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it



is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly bread;



and forgive us our tres - pass - es as we forgive those who



tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to

temp - ta - tion, but deliver us from e - vil.

**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

**P** Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,

and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the

dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My <sup>†</sup>bod - y, which is giv-en for you.

This do in re - mem - brance of Me." In the same way al - so

He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it

to them, say - ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in



My  $\ddagger$  blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.



This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

### Pax Domini

LSB 197



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

### Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

## Distribution

*Please approach the altar from the center aisle, and return to your seat via the side aisle. Please keep your mask on and remove only for the moments to receive the Sacrament.*

*Responses when receiving the true body and very blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and when your table is dismissed are:*

LSB 199

**Amen, Amen and Amen.**

*When all have communed, you will be invited to stand, and the following is said:*

## The Dismissal

LSB 199

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart **H** in peace.

**C** Amen.

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light-en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
and His mercy endureth for - ev - - er.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

## Salutation

LSB 201

**P** The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

LSB 202



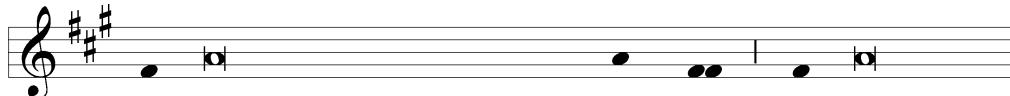
**A** Bless we the Lord.



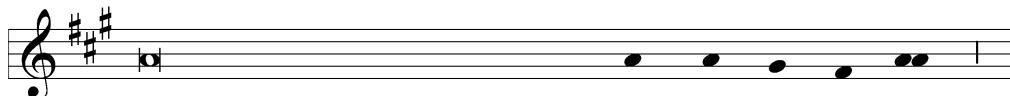
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

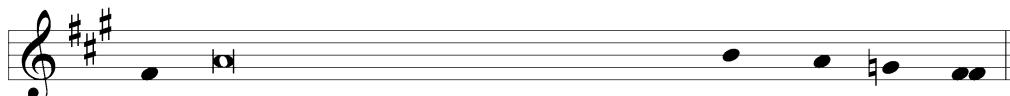
LSB 202



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

*Sit*

"The LORD BLESS you and KEEP you;  
the LORD make his face SHINE on you  
and be GRACIOUS to you;  
the LORD turn his face toward you  
and give you PEACE."  
NUMBERS 6:24-26

## Hymn to Depart

537 Beautiful Savior

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

God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
flow'rs of bloom-ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright-er, Je - sus shines  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -

serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.  
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

Tune and text: Public domain

*As the postlude is played, you will be ushered from your pew.*

*So that this may be done orderly, please wait in your pew until approached.*

*Please do not congregate in the Narthex, and please wait until you are outside the building for conversations.*

**Toccata in D Minor**

Johann Jakob Froberger (1616-1667)

## Amani ya Bwana na Mungu akubariki!

[Swahili for] The Peace of the Lord and God bless you!

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## Thank You for Your Offerings - Ways to Give

**In Person:** Drop in Plate in Narthex on Sundays

**By Mail:** Send to Church Office

**Online:** [Here / https://tgslcms.org/community-outreach/donate/](https://tgslcms.org/community-outreach/donate/) PW: donate

# **THIS WEEK'S NOTES**

## **Announcements**

+Pastor Killian's Installation will be next Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, during Divine Service.

+The Church Council has scheduled a **Voter's Meeting** on Sunday, **February 7<sup>th</sup>**. We encourage everyone to attend as it will be a wonderful opportunity for new members who wish to be regular members of the Voter's Assembly. As new members you will also get a chance to meet our church officers, review our approved 2021 budget, and get involved in our activities.

## **Orphan Grain Train/LWML Ingathering**

+Please help the needy within our Pacific Southwest District and Mexico by donating those items named on the enclosed flyer. The items can be left on the large table in the church's narthex or left at the office with our new church secretary, Moira, between now and February 14, 2021. All Good Shepherd members are welcome to join in this effort. Thank you for your help! -Gayle Tarr, LWML

## **Synod Sentences for Transfiguration**

### ***Jesus Is Transfigured and Manifests His Glory***

The Lord appeared to Moses in the light of the burning bush (Ex. 3:1–14). Later Moses' face would shine with the light of God's glory when he came down from Mount Sinai (Ex. 34:29–35). At the Transfiguration, Moses and Elijah appeared with the



One who is the Light of Light Himself (Matt. 17:1–9). Jesus' glory as God shines with brilliant splendor in and through His human nature. By this epiphany, our Lord confirmed the prophetic word (2 Pet. 1:16–21), revealing that He is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets. He manifested His majesty as the eternal Son of the Father, and He wonderfully foreshadowed our adoption as sons (Collect). We who have been baptized into Christ's body are given a glimpse of the glory that we will share with Him in the resurrection on the Last Day.

## **Lutherans for Life Thought for Transfiguration.**



Jesus radiates the glory of God among human beings humbled by sinful brokenness. This glory resides not in a certain age or a particular appearance or a specific ability but in God's love for us creatures as His children. Let us behold this glory embodied in the least of these and remind neighbors of their eternal worth.

*Holy Son of God, lead us to listen and mimic You in respecting, protecting, advocating, and assisting. Amen.*

## A Stewardship Thought for Transfiguration

**Matthew 17:7 – “But Jesus came and touched them, saying, ‘Rise, and have no fear.’**  
” When Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us, cares for us, and will never abandon us. That assurance is the basis of all generosity for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.

### A Prayer for Transfiguration

O merciful and everlasting God, heavenly Father: We thank You that You have revealed to us the glory of Your Son, and let the light of Your Gospel shine upon us: We pray that You would guide us by this light that we may walk diligently as Christians in all good works, ever be strengthened by Your grace, and conduct our lives in all godliness; through the same, Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

### An Excerpt from Luther’s Writing’s

“Now every preacher should be so sure of having and preaching God’s Word that he would even stake his life on this, since it is a matter of life for us. He should not be in doubt. Now no man is so holy that he would dare die on the strength of the doctrine he himself has taught. Therefore, it is established here that the apostles were assured by God that their Gospel was God’s Word. And here it is also shown that the Gospel is nothing else than a sermon about Christ. Accordingly, one should listen to no other sermon; for the Father wants no other sermon. ‘This is My Beloved Son,’ He says; ‘listen to Him. He is your ‘Teacher.’ It is as if He were saying: ‘If you listen to Him, you have listened to Me.’ Therefore, Peter now says: We have proclaimed and made known to you that Christ is a Lord, that He rules over all things, that all power belongs to Him, and that he who believes in Him also has all this power. We have not invented this ourselves; but we have seen and heard it through the revelation of God, who has commanded us to listen to this Christ.” From Martin Luther’s Sermon on 2 Peter 1:18, 1522.



### Around the Word Devotion for the Week

May be found [here](#)



# We Pray For...

**Abai:** friend of Pr&K – guidance and comfort (K)

**Alice** – recovering from surgery

**April:** Karina's cousin – COPD

**Charles:** Bruce' brother – heart issues

**Charlotte:** Jamesetta's mother, wife of Pr. Kollie – financial, strength, recovering from surgery(L)

**The Dan Conrad Family** – our LCMS

missionaries in Mexico

**Cynthia** – our TGSCLC shut-in

**Dalton** – chronic sciatica

**David** - DD shut-in

**Debra:** Jod's cousin - recovering from cancer

**Faith:** friend of Mary – Stage 4 cancer

**The Paul Federwitz Family:** LWML Support - LBT Support in Ghana

**Irmgard:** friend of Bruce&Karina – 90 y.o. with heart, lung, and vision issues

**Rev. James Kollie:** Our Missionary in Liberia; wisdom and strength (L)

**Jamesetta Kollie** - kidney failure

**Jod** – peace of mind, attacks from the Enemy, recovery from auto/bike accident, health

**Johnathan** – strengthening of faith; continued remission

**Karen:** Jod's sister – personal and family matters

**Katheryn:** Karina's mother - various health issues

**Lucy:** friend of Bruce&Karina – peace of mind, strength, life as a refugee (K)

**Lynette** – strengthening of faith; chronic health issues

**Margie:** mother of Olaf – recovering from hip replacement surgery

**Marie** – recovering from surgery

**Marion and her family** – various health issues around the country



**Martin:** friend of Karina – financial, various health (K)

**Phillip Magness:** our LCMS missionary to Francophone Africa

**Rev. Rex Umbenhaur:** complications with malignant intestinal mass

**Rodgers:** friend of Bruce&Karina – employment; health (K)

**Susan:** friend of Bruce&Karina – financial, good health (K)

**Susie** – recovery from auto accident

**The Rev. Tuomo Simojoki Family:** our LHF missionary in Kenya – forced to leave their Kenyan home due to SARS-CoV-19 and return to Finland

**Rev. Walter Steele** – our LCMS missionary to Matongo Seminary, Kenya (K)

**(K) – person living in Kenya**

**(L) – person living in Liberia**

You may notice we have an extensive prayer list. It is our joy to pray for you!

If you'd like someone to be added, or one of yours removed, such as a death (as we do not pray for the dead) or full recovery, just let Church Office know.