

# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

## FEBRUARY 14, 2021

### Opening Hymn

'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

LSB 414, verses 1-3

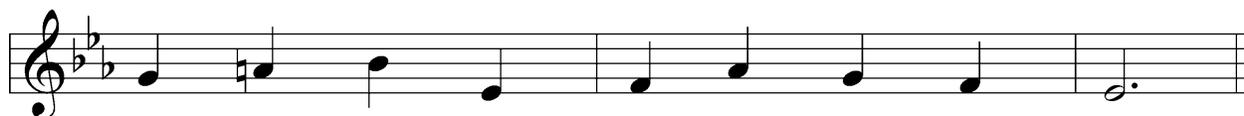
TLH 135, verses 1-3



1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy  
 2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy  
 3 Ful - fill - er of the past And



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



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.

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### Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

### Confession of Sins

P Almighty God, our Creator and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought,

word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

- C **O most merciful God, Who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### **Absolution**

- 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 our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

### **Collect of the Day**

- P O LORD, as we consider the mountaintop experiences of Moses and Jesus our Savior, we pray that You will visit each of us with Your on-going grace and guide us through all those times in our lives when we are not sitting on a beautiful mountaintop. We ask this, O God, in the blessed name of Your Son, Jesus our mountaintop Savior.
- C **Amen.**

### **Old Testament Reading, *Exodus 34:29-35 (NIV)***

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

### **The Second Reading, *2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 3:12-13, 4:1-6 (NIV)***

Since we have such a hope, we are very bold. We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, Who is the image of God. For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, Who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made His Light

shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

### **Holy Gospel, Mark 9:2–9 (NIV)**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

### **Apostles' Creed**

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father  
 Almighty.  
 From thence 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.**

## Sermon Hymn

### Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

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1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo-ry, Heav-en's voice, the daz-zling light;  
 2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la-tion, They shall gain and keep its truth,  
 3 Lord, trans - fig - ure our per-cep-tion With the pur - est light that shines,



Mo-ses and E - li - jah van - ish; Christ a - lone com - mands the height!  
 Not by build-ing on the moun-tain An - y shrine or sa - cred booth,  
 And re-cast our life's in - ten - tions To the shape of Your de - signs,



Pe - ter, James, and John fall si - lent, Turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise  
But by fol - low - ing the Sav - ior Through the val - ley to the cross  
Till we seek no oth - er glo - ry Than what lies past Cal - v'ry's hill



Down - ward toward the shad - owed val - ley Where their Lord has fixed His eyes.  
And by test - ing faith's re - sil - ience Through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.  
And our liv - ing and our dy - ing And our ris - ing by Your will.

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## Sermon

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

**C 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.**

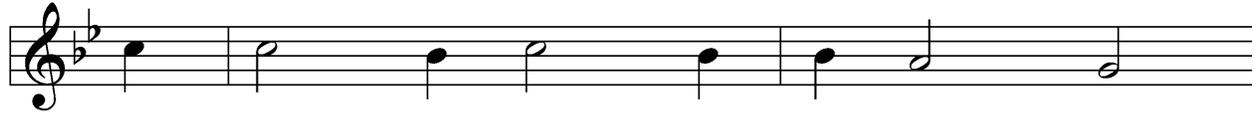
### Benediction

- 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 T give you peace.
- C **Amen, amen, amen.**

## Closing Hymn

O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

LSB 413, verses 1, 3-5 (No TLH)



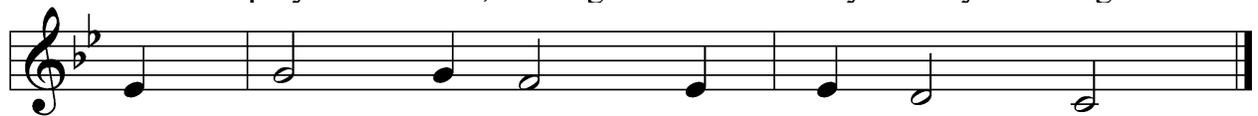
1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair  
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray  
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high  
△ 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son



Of glo - ry that the Church may share,  
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,  
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!  
Who joy in God with per - fect love.  
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.  
To see Thy glo - ry face to face.

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## IMPORTANT NOTICES

### Communion Service

Communion will be included as part of our February 28<sup>th</sup> online worship. Communion sets (wafer and juice in a sealed, individual container) are available. You can get the kits in one of two ways: Pick it up during office hours (Tuesday through Thursday, 10-3) or call the office to (612-722-1083) to have them delivered. You can leave a message with your name and the number of communion sets you will need. Deacons will deliver the communion sets to those unable to pick them up.

### Wednesday in Lent Services

Our Wednesday evening services will not be a normal worship format. Instead, we will be doing a Bible study each week. The study will follow Jesus through his final week before the crucifixion. We will begin with Palm Sunday and walk with Him each day through Holy Week. The format will be two verses of a hymn, a prayer, the Bible study, a closing prayer, and two more hymn verses.

### Offering

*1) You can give by sending your envelope to HCLC.  
2) You can give online from the Holy Cross homepage (holycrossmpls.org). Click on the blue button or directly via the Holy Cross online donation form. You can give to the General Fund, Trinity First, We Care, Synod or Trinity First. Donations are processed through faith-based Vanco. Payments are deposited directly into the Holy Cross bank account.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Thank You to Those Serving Today:**

February Altar Guild: Carol Rusk  
Choir Director: David Hinrichs  
Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot  
Counters for today: Keith & Mary Lange  
Organist: Julie Wright  
Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger  
Recorder: James Blomberg

## **LWML Mites**

The Mite offering will not be received again until April 11, 2021.  
This is assuming we are back to in-person worship services.

## **Happy Birthday**

Happy Birthday to James Blomberg (2/8), Olivia Brammer (2/15)  
and Steven Likely (2/18), Jack McConley (2/22), Julie Shelstad  
(2/23) and Teri Wold (2/23)

## **Happy Anniversary**

Happy Anniversary to Tim and Jeanne Phelon (2/15).

## **Office Information**

Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10am-3pm  
Call: 612-722-1083  
Email: [admin@holycrossmpls.org](mailto:admin@holycrossmpls.org)

# WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## ONLINE

- Holy Cross: Go to the church website ([holycrossmpls.org](http://holycrossmpls.org)) and listen to our recorded service.
- [Mainstreetliving.com/twincities](http://Mainstreetliving.com/twincities)
- Go to "The Lutheran Hour" at any time.

## RADIO

- "The Lutheran Hour" is broadcast on WCCO 830AM radio on Sunday mornings at 6:05a.m.
- "The Lutheran Hour" is broadcast on Sirius XM, Family Talk Channel 131 on Sunday Mornings at 9a.m.

## CELL PHONE

- Download "The Lutheran Hour" app on your cell phone.

## TELEVISION

Each Sunday, viewers enjoy a 30-minute remastered episode of "This is the Life," a popular Lutheran Hour Ministries series from the 70s and 80s. The episode is followed by a modified Lutheran worship service—led by a different local pastor each week.

Main Street Living is broadcast at 9 a.m. on WFTC. WFTC can be found in the following places:

TV Channel 10 on Spectrum, Comcast, Mediacom  
TV Channel 29 on UHF Digital, DirectTV, Dish  
TV Channel 807 on Comcast and 803 on Mediacom  
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