

# Concordia Lutheran Church

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The Transfiguration of Our Lord



*You are the most handsome of the sons of men;  
grace is poured upon your lips.*

*Psalms 45:2a*

## ✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

**Welcome to worship** on the Transfiguration of our Lord. In our Lord's Transfiguration, we see the divine glory of the Lord Jesus Christ shine through His human body. The Transfiguration teaches us the certainty of eternal life for all believers in heaven. As Moses and Elijah beheld the Lord in all His glory, so we too will live in the presence of His glory forever. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon.

### **Divine Service**

### **Setting One**

**Hymn of Invocation**

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**Confession & Absolution**

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### **Introit**

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain;

**for the Lord our God is holy!**

The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

**He sits enthroned upon the cherubim;**

**let the earth quake!**

The Lord is great in Zion;

**he is exalted over all the peoples.**

Let them praise your great and awesome name!

**Holy is he!**

The King in his might loves justice.

**You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Exalt the Lord our God; worship at his footstool!

**Holy is he!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy**

**Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain;

**for the Lord our God is holy!**

**Kyrie**

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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.

**Old Testament Reading: Exodus 24:8-18**

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words."

Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

## **Gradual**

Praise the Lord, all nations!

**Extol him, all peoples!**

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

**and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

**bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

## **Epistle Reading:** 2 Peter 1:16-21

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. For the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. 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, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. 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.

**"Alleluia"**

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## **Holy Gospel:** St. Matthew 17:1-9

And after six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him. 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." 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.*" When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces

and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "*Rise, and have no fear.*" And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

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.*"

**Nicene Creed** p. 158

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**WE GO FROM THIS PLACE OF WORSHIP WHERE  
WE ARE ABOUT  
EQUIPPING DISCIPLES TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR JESUS**

**In our thoughts and prayers,**



✠ Our sick & recovering, Steve Heupel (father of Amy Bieber), & Carter Johnson (grandson of Ray & Lorraine Sorge);

✠ JoAnn Schmidt & Family, on Gordon's death.



Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion in which we joyfully receive Christ's Body and Blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament, we also give public witness that we are in complete agreement with the denomination's doctrinal teachings at whose altar we commune. Therefore, we ask that only communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod commune with us. All guests are asked to talk to Rev. Heller before coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament.

*For those unable to drink wine,  
water with a drop of wine can be found in the center of each  
individual cup tray.*

## **Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance**

Worship: 78 Offerings: \$9,960.18

*"And when they lifted up their eyes,  
they saw no one but Jesus only."*

*Matthew 17:8*

Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him – and Him alone – the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary; all else is secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

This Wednesday begins the somber season of Lent. Lent is good for us. It exposes us for the sinners that we are, and it brings us to the cross, where your sins have been answered for by Christ the crucified. It also reminds us what our sins have caused and what we deserve because of our sins, that is, everlasting punishment where the fire is not extinguished, and the worm doesn't die. But Lent also brings us to the cross where the sacrifice of sacrifices has been offered on your behalf by Christ in your stead. Our Lord is gracious and merciful to you, for He has given you His only-begotten Son into death for you. A blessed Lententide to you all.

Rev. Mark Chepulis  
North Dakota District President

## Announcements

**LYF:** Join us at 3:00 pm today for fun and Bible study!



**The “I AM” sayings of Jesus:** God revealed Himself to Moses simply and profoundly as “*I am*” (Exodus 3:14). In the Gospel of John, the Evangelist records for us Jesus speaking those exact words to reveal and make Himself know to us as “very God of very God” (Nicene Creed). For our midweek worship in the season of Lent, we will be looking at the “I AM” sayings of Jesus. Please join us as we begin the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 18th, looking at the words of Jesus, “*I am the bread of life*” (John 6:35). Worship will be at 6:30 pm. Soup and sandwiches will be served at 5:30 pm.

**Our Annual Voters Meeting** will be next Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, following worship. Unapproved minutes of the November 2, 2025, meeting are on the table in the social hall.



**During the month of February** donations of tuna and macaroni & cheese will be collected for Women’s Action & Resource Center. Snacks for the elementary school snack pantry will also be collected.



**Greeters** are needed for 2026. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the social hall.

## ✠ This Week at Concordia ✠

|           |                      |                      |
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| Today     | 8:00 am              | Worship @ Glen Ullin |
|           | 10:00 am             | Divine Service       |
|           | 11:00 am             | Bible Class          |
|           | 3:00 pm              | LYF                  |
| Monday    | 7:00 pm              | Sarah Guild          |
| Tuesday   | 1:30 pm              | Bible Study          |
| Wednesday | <b>Ash Wednesday</b> |                      |
|           | 4:00 pm              | Catechism            |
|           | 5:30 pm              | Soup & Sandwiches    |
|           | 6:30 pm              | Lenten Service       |
| Sunday    | 8:00 am              | Worship @ Glen Ullin |
|           | 9:15 am              | Sunday School        |
|           | 10:00 am             | Divine Service       |
|           | 11:00 am             | Voters Meeting       |

### Church Office Hours

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*Please use a pew card to record your Church and/or Communion attendance this morning.*

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