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Transfiguration of Our Lord



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

Psalm 45:2a

Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the Lord had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

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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: Hebrews 3:1-6 (ESV)

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

“Alleluia”

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Holy Gospel: St. Luke 9:28-36 (ESV)

Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with Him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as He was praying, the appearance of His face was altered, and His clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with Him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of His departure, which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with Him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him. And as the men were parting from Him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah"— not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were

afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

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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.

In our thoughts and prayers,

- † Our sick & recovering: Cami Hafner (wife of Wes Hafner), Donald Kuch (brother-in-law of Leeta Aanderud), Luella Langmack (sister of Walter Morast), Cheryl Marsh (daughter of Ardella Halter), & Avery Sukut (cousin of Amy Bieber);
- † Rev. Jon Walla, installed as shepherd of Bethel Church;
- † Our nursing home residents, that God would keep them under His tender care.

Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 114 Offerings: \$2,604.50

"And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone." Moses and Elijah point to Jesus, speak about Jesus and His sacrifice and then they are happy to fade into the background. They know that what we need is Jesus. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place. Or as Jesus Himself said, "Seek first the kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you."

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

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!

Please join us this morning following worship for cookies/bars and coffee.

Installation: Rev. Jonathan J. Walla will be installed as pastor of our sister congregation, Bethel Lutheran Church, Bismarck, this afternoon, February 7th, 3:00 pm (CST). A meal will be served immediately following the service.

Christ, the Lamb of God: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the 40 days of Lent. Our midweek Lenten worship begins this Wednesday, February 10th, 6:30 pm. Please see the insert in the bulletin for more information on our Lenten worship. Soup and sandwiches will be served by the LWML, beginning at 5:30 pm. Please join us as we journey with Jesus to the cross of Good Friday.



Council Members, please remember our meeting Wednesday, February 10th, following our Lenten service.

Voters Meeting: Our annual voters meeting will be Sunday, February 21st, following worship. Unapproved minutes from the November 15, 2015, meeting are on the table in the fellowship hall. Potluck brunch will follow the annual meeting.

Roof Fund: Our loan for the roof work is paid off in full. *"Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!"* (Psalm 106:1).

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin
Tuesday	10:15 am	Holy Communion @ Knife River Care Center
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	
	4:30 pm	Catechism
	5:30 pm	Soup & sandwiches - LWML
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service
	7:15 pm	Council Meeting
	7:15 pm	Chime Practice
	7:45 pm	Bell Practice
Thursday	7:00 pm	Lenten Service @ Glen Ullin
Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin
	2:30 pm	Pastor @ Knife River Care Center



CHRIST, THE LAMB OF GOD

Our mid-week Lenten worship will focus on “CHRIST, THE LAMB OF GOD.” Our worship centers around the words of John the Baptizer, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world” (John 1:29). Jesus is the perfect Lamb, the Lamb without blemish or imperfection, who took our sin to be His very own and was sacrificed upon the cross of Calvary for those sins. Please join us for worship as we journey to the cross with the Lamb of God to see Him betrayed, arrested, tried, suffer, and die. Our worship services will be at 6:30 pm. Soup and sandwiches will be served on Wednesdays, 5:30 pm.

February 10 In the Beginning, The Lamb
February 17 On the Mountain, The Lamb
February 24 In Egypt, The Lamb
March 2 In the Wilderness, The Lamb
March 9 In Captivity, The Lamb
March 16 On the Jordan Banks, The Lamb
March 24 In the Upper Room, The Lamb
March 25 On Calvary, The Lamb

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!
{LSB 547:1}