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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.*

Psalm 45:2a

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 537

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Introit

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

ever singing your praise!

How lovely is your dwelling place,

O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

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 uprightly.

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.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

ever singing your praise!

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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: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 (ESV)

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, ‘I will give it to your offspring.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.” So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. 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.

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: 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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| Nicene Creed | p. 158 |
| Hymn of the Day | # 414 |
| Sermon | His Departure |
| Prayer of the Church | |
| Offering | Chimes will ring “Holy Is the Lord”. |
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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.

Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 121 Offerings: \$2,604.00

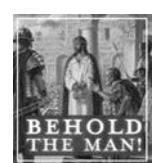
“And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.”

[Luke 9:36]

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 is secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place. Or as Jesus Himself said, “But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you”

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!

Caramel Roll Benefit: Today is the deadline to pre-order fresh baked, large caramel rolls to raise funds for Robert, Katlyn, and Hollyn Baker to help defray medical expenses. Rolls can be picked up on Saturday, March 9th, from 2-6 pm and Sunday, March 10th, 11 am – 1 pm at the Church. Order forms are on the table in the social hall. Please put completed order forms in Vicky Yeager's or Kim Senske's mailbox. If you are paying by check, please make it out to Robert or Katlyn Baker. Suggested donation is \$2 per roll.



Behold the Man!: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the 40 days of Lent. Our midweek Lenten worship begins this Wednesday, March 6th, 6:30 pm. Please see the insert for more information on our Lenten worship. Supper will be served at 5:30 pm. Please join us as we journey with Jesus to the cross of Good Friday.



Daylight-Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 10th. Remember to set your clocks ahead 1 hour!

The March calendar and birthday and anniversary sheet are on the table in the social hall.

During the month of March, donations of Bingo prizes will be collected for Knife River Care Center. Suggestions are: candy bars, sugar free candy, Pringles, bags of popcorn, Werther's candy.

† This Week at Concordia †

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| Sunday | 8:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin 10:00 am Divine Service 11:00 am Sunday School/Bible Class |
| Monday | 9:30 am Circuit Pastors @ Dickinson |
| Wednesday | Ash Wednesday 4:00 pm Catechism 5:30 pm Supper – Group 1 6:30 pm Lenten Service |
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