



As he was praying, the appearance  
of his face was altered and  
his clothes became dazzling white.  
**+ Luke 9:29 +**

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February 7, 2016

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

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# WELCOME TO MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Sunday Worship .....9:00 A.M.  
Education Hour..... 10:20 A.M.  
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**Transform us, Transfigured Lord, so we may reflect your light in the world.**

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Pastor

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## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

January 31, 2016

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The Prayer of the Day for the Transfiguration of Our Lord teaches us to pray, “You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah.” What mysteries? The mysteries of the faith are who Jesus is and what He has come to do. Jesus reveals His glory to His disciples—the glory of the only Son of the Father hidden in flesh and blood. Moses and Elijah, the Law and the Prophets, all point to Jesus and are fulfilled in Him. As we see Epiphany’s season of revelation culminate in the glory glimpsed upon the mountain, we are mindful of the fact that this comes just before we follow Jesus to the cross in Lent. The cross is itself glory—the triumph of God’s saving will over our sins, of Christ’s life over our death, and of His eternity over our mortality.

**P R E L U D E**

**R I N G I N G   O F   T H E   C A R I L L O N**

**Stand**

**G A T H E R I N G**

We Enter God’s Presence.

**I N V O C A T I O N**

## CONFESSIO N AND ABSOLUTION

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Green 265

**Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true and only light,  
Sun of righteousness, arise, Triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.**

**Dark and cheerless is the morn Unaccompanied by thee;  
Joyless is the day's return, Till thy mercy's beams I see,  
Till they inward light impart, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.**

**Visit then this soul of mine, Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
Fill me, radiancy divine, Scatter all my unbelief;  
More and more thyself display, Shining to the perfect day.**

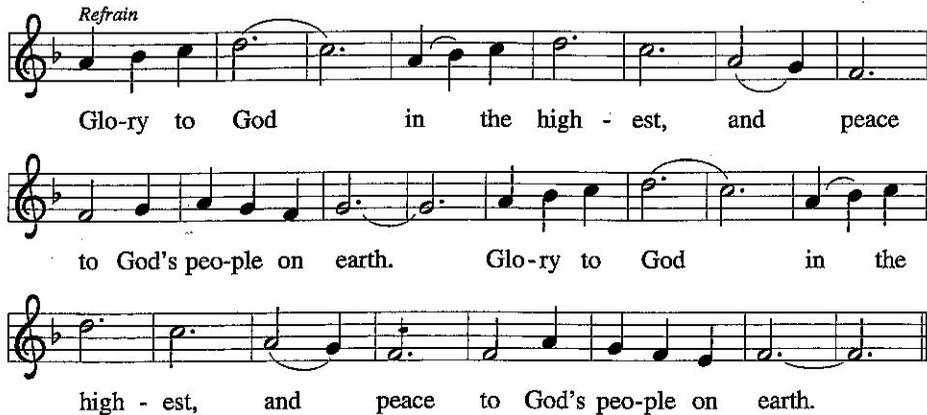
## APOSTOLIC GREETING

## HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the Highest

### Congregation: Refrain

*Refrain*



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace  
to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the  
high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Cantor: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

### Congregation: Refrain

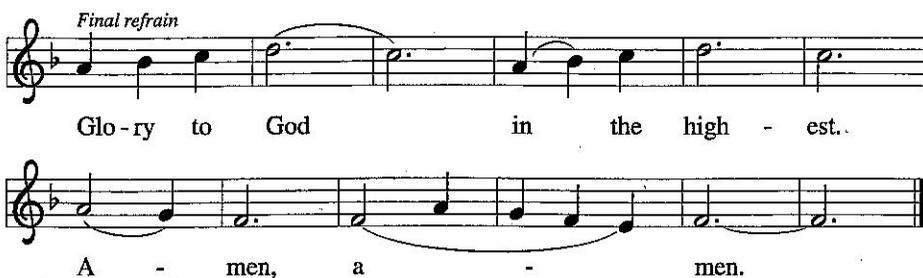
Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

### Congregation: Refrain

Cantor: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

### Congregation: Refrain

*Final refrain*



Glo-ry to God in the high - est.  
A - men, a - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sit

## WORD

We Hear God's Word.

### FIRST LESSON

#### **Deuteronomy 34:1-12**

Moses' death on Moab.

*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 the whole 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. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!** *(shouted)*



*servant, to testify to the things that would be spoken later. Christ, however, was faithful over God's house as a son, and we are his house if we hold firm the confidence and the pride that belong to hope.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!** (*shouted*)

Stand

## G O S P E L   A C C L A M A T I O N

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Fine*

*Verse (cantor or choir)*  
Al - le - lu - ia! *D.C. al Fine*

Cantor: This is my Son, my Chosen, lis - | ten to him! (*Luke 9:35*)

## H O L Y   G O S P E L

**Luke 9:28-36**

Jesus is transfigured on the mountaintop.



The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord!** (*shouted*)

*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 while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for*

us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ!** (*shouted*)

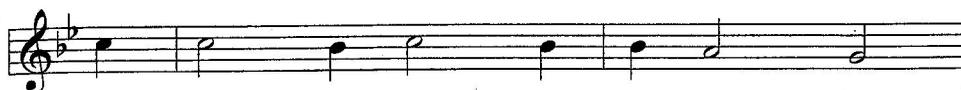
Sit

SERMON

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair



1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair  
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah high  
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray  
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high  
 Δ 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 the 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 with per - fect love.  
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.  
To see Thy glo - ry face to face.

## N I C E N E C R E E D

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## P R A Y E R O F T H E C H U R C H

. . . Lord, in Your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

. . . through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please share the reconciliation we have with God with one another by greeting those around you with a hearty handshake and the words, "Peace be with you."*

Sit

## MEAL

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper.

## GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Please fill out the attendance registration sheet in your pew, if you have not already done so. Visitors, you are our guests and are not expected to make a contribution. As the offerings of bread, wine and money are brought forward, please stand.*

## MUSIC AT OFFERING

This Little Light of Mine

Choir

*African American spiritual, setting by John Leavitt*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;

Let it shine all the time, let it shine. Hallelujah!

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. *(same as above)*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you,

**O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## P R E F A C E

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, . . . we praise your name, and join their unending hymn:

## S A N C T U S

S 173

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## E U C H A R I S T I C P R A Y E R

You are indeed holy, O God, . . . until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Therefore, O God, . . . the great and promised feast.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, . . . with all your saints in light.

**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those . . . now and forever.

**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER *(join hands)*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:  
**Our Father, who art in heaven....**

## INVITATION

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Blessed are all who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Amen.**

Sit

## DISTRIBUTION

*If you believe that those who commune receive in, with and under the bread and wine of this sacrament the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and that receiving the sacrament is a public witness to your oneness in faith in the teachings of our church, you are invited to join us at the Lord's Table. Newcomers are asked to read and sign a communion registration card from the hymnal rack as a sign of your agreement with its statements and give it to an usher.*

## DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

S 174

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Shine, Jesus, Shine  
*stanzas - cantor, refrain - congregation*

Blue 651

How Good, Lord, to Be Here!

Green 89

Beautiful Savior  
*st. 3 - cantor, st. 4 - four-part harmony*

Green 518

**Stand**

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**SENDING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BENEDICTION**

**ALLELUIA BURIED**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### Alleluia, Song of Gladness



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, Voice of joy that  
2 Al - le - lu - ia, thou re - sound - est, True Je - ru - sa -  
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways Be our song while  
4 There - fore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; Al - le - lu - ia is the an - them  
lem and free; Al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er,  
here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia, our trans - gres - sions  
Trin - i - ty, At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter



Ev - er raised by choirs on high; In the house of  
All thy chil - dren sing with thee, But by Bab - y -  
Make us for a while for - go; For the sol - emn  
With Thy faith - ful saints on high; There to Thee for -



God a - bid - ing Thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
lon's sad wa - ters Mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.  
time is com - ing When our tears for sin must flow.  
ev - er sing - ing Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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**N E X T S U N D A Y** — First Sunday in Lent (Year C): Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-13;  
Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

\*\*\* ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP TODAY \*\*\*

**ACOLYTE** ----- Isabella Wegner  
**ASSISTING MINISTER** ----- Galen Behr  
**CANTOR** ----- Mark Flemmer  
**EUCCHARISTIC GIFTS** ----- Marjorie Eastman, Nancy Stierle  
**LECTOR** ----- Mark Sorensen

\*\*\* LAST SUNDAY AT MOUNT OLIVE \*\*\*

Worship Attendance.....	110	Bible Class .....	34
Communion.....	90	Offering .....	3575
Sunday School .....	19	Needed Weekly .....	4861
Staff.....	7	Specials .....	12

First Time Worshipers Last Sunday - 0

\*\*\* THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE \*\*\*

TODAY		WORSHIP/VALPO SUNDAY -----	9:00 A.M.
		CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR -----	10:20 A.M.
		BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING	
		VOTERS' ASSEMBLY -----	11:30 A.M.
		YOUTH GROUP TO SKYZONE -----	11:30 A.M.
MONDAY	-	ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING ----	6:30 - 8:00 P.M.
TUESDAY	-	MT. OLIVE BOOK CLUB -----	7:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY	-	<i>NO CONFIRMATION CLASS</i>	
		PRE-LENTEN MEAL -----	5:30 - 6:30 P.M.
		ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE -----	7:00 P.M.
		CHANCEL CHOIR -----	8:15 P.M.
FRIDAY	-	FRIDAY NIGHT FLIX -----	7:30 P.M.
SUNDAY		WORSHIP -----	9:00 A.M.
		CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR -----	10:20 A.M.
		HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY	
		FIRST ADULT INFORMATION CLASS -----	3:30 P.M.

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS** — During the Christian Education Hour, Pastor Jank will lead the Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall. This week we will begin a new six-week Lenten Bible topic, “Living Lent: As People of the Resurrection.” The first session is “Ponder.” This class coincides with the theme of our Lenten Midweek services this year. High School graduates through 30-somethings meet in the library during the Christian Education Hour for Bible study. Pick up a cup of coffee and join in.

**February 07, 2016 (C)**

**THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**

**VALPO SUNDAY** — Today we are praying for Valparaiso University, an independent Lutheran school in northeastern Indiana with five different colleges besides a graduate division. Valparaiso belongs to a small and distinctive group of schools that consistently earns national recognition for the quality of its academic programs. We have four Mt. Olive members who have benefitted from a Valpo education.

**YOUTH GROUP** — Mount Olive youth are headed to the Skyzone today, February 7, from 11:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. They will have lunch first.

**LENTEN DINNER SIGN-UPS** — Please look for the Lenten dinner sign-up sheets in the back of church today. Help is needed with serving and clean-up.

**LENT BEGINS SOON** — The season of Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday, February 10. Worship is at 7:00 P.M. In following weeks, midweek worship will be on Thursday evenings at 7:00. Fellowship meals are available each week prior to the service from 5:30 - 6:30 at a modest cost. Make plans to join us each week.

**ADULT INFORMATION CLASS** — Our 15-week Spring Adult Information Class will begin on Sunday, February 14, at 3:30 p.m. This two-hour class is for those who are new in their faith, for those who are somewhere in the middle, and for those who have been life-long Christians. No matter where you are in your faith journey, God yearns to get closer to you. To register, please call the church office at 402-455-8700. You can also find registration forms inside the Sunday bulletin. Fill out the registration and drop it in the offering plate.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONS** — Today devotional material is available for each family and age appropriate material will be distributed to families with children.

**VOTERS' ASSEMBLY** — Today, February 7, is our quarterly Voters' Assembly meeting. Reports will be shared about what God is doing through our congregation.

**FINAL SERVICE** — Cross Lutheran Church (3101 South 20th Street) welcomes our congregation to attend its Closing Service this afternoon at 2:30 p.m. Nebraska District President Snow will preach.

**FRIDAY NIGHT FLIX** — Mark your calendars for this Friday, February 12, at 7:30 P.M. A romantic comedy, "Kate and Leopold" will be shown. Free popcorn!

**GATHERING OF ALMS** — As part of your Lenten discipline, we encourage individuals and families to fast one meal each week during Lent. Bring the money you would have spent for that meal and put it into a special envelope that is available inside the Sunday bulletin during Lent. Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska, Lutheran World Relief and Concordia University, Seward, will receive the Lenten alms.

**Praying for Our Parish in 2015**

Let us remember each other in prayer during the week that we celebrate the anniversary of one's Baptism.

February 11  
Nelson Kosch