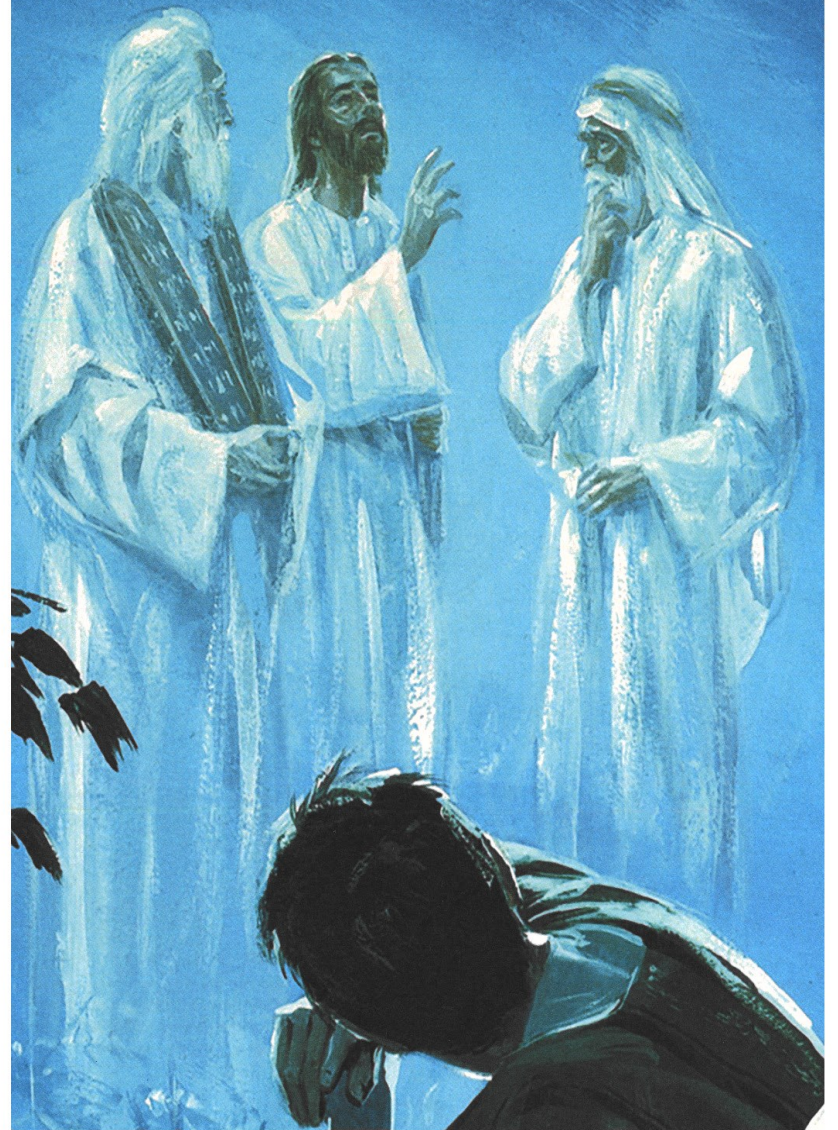


Moses and Elijah . . .  
spoke of His departure



# Transfiguration Sunday

St. John's Lutheran Church—Sherburn, MN  
February 27, 2022 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

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**Welcome:** We are happy that you have joined us for worship. May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill your life with the lively hope and lasting joy. Please take time to sign the worship attendance cards and place them in the offering plate or hand them to an usher.

**Our Prayers:** Charlie Crissinger, Theresa Petersen, Kay Brolsma, Jim Keithahn

**Coping With Cancer:** Wanda Douglas, Jennifer Beseke, Shirley Skogerboe, Serena Johnson, Andrea Mileham, Cindi Crissinger, Lori Koerselman, Julie Krogman, Donna Nawrocki, Elsie Swanson, Shelly Callahan, Gary Maday, Ginny Anderson, Larry Norem, Roger Spiegel, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Perry Caven, Harv Baird, Michele Thiesse, Matt Plumhoff, Todd Klukow, Ross Johnson

**Care List:** Jim Keithahn, Lorraine Gagnon, Crue Crosby, Jason Hoke, Mary Whitehead, Miss Murphy, Tim Brammeier, Barb Mustard, Taylor Antony, Carol Janssen, Roberta Garbers, Robert Ziemer, Marilyn Pierson, Dennis Cook, Kurt Jans, LaVerna Diekmann, Verna Bliesmer, Les Anderson, Glenna Shanley, Terri Schultz, Joyce Hansen Picken, Linda Chase, Adam Janssen, Marcella Brolsma, Kay Groth, Garland Hendricksen, Dan Janssen, Sandi Claussen, Darwin Mischke, and those we name in our hearts.

**Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week :** Layne Asmus, Jenna House, Jacob Flohrs, Grace Steffen, Robb Larson, Jina Behne, Biny Claussen, Chris Lindholm, Brian Brolsma, Randy Grill, Maddox Hecker, Tiara Kennedy, Trent Kennedy, Ella Meyers, Stephanie Truesdell, Jayne Weseman, Leah Amborn

**Members Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week:** Dennis & Sue Crissinger

**Bible Classes for All!!** We offer two Bible studies during the Sunday school hour and invite adults and youth to join us for either one. Adult Bible Class meets downstairs during the Sunday school hour and **SALT** will meet in the fireside room.

**Bible Stories 101** for the Sunday School on February 27 is Queen Esther.

## Family Devotional



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**Thank You** to our Praise Team for leading us in the songs during the service today.

**Ash Wednesday Service** will be held on Wednesday night, March 2, at 6:00 p.m.

**Youth Potato Bake** will be served following the Ash Wednesday service on March 2nd. Youth should make sure to sign up on Sign Up Genius to work that night.

**7th & 8th Grade Confirmation:** There will be **NO** confirmation classes or Jr. High Food.Fun.Faith this Wednesday, March 2.

**Praise Team/Contemporary Band** practice on Wednesday nights after the lent supper. For more information contact Mary Petersen 507-301-2101.

**Sherburn Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast** is scheduled for Sunday, March 6 from 9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. at the MCW High School cafeteria. Free will offering. Proceeds go to enhance 2022 Holiday Festival.

**St. John's Friendship Club** will meet on Monday, March 7, at 11:30am. (note change of time). We'll start with a light lunch of homemade chicken noodle soup or homemade chili with breadsticks. After lunch, we will watch the Sight and Sound Theatre production of "Jesus" filmed in Branson, MO. This film takes us from the streets of Jerusalem on the miraculous journey alongside the most famous person ever to walk the earth and the everyday people whose lives he changed forever. This is a 2 hour movie, so we will take a short break for refreshments between Act 1 and Act 2.

## Transfiguration Sunday February 27, 2022 Creative Worship

**Gathering Music** "Rock of Ages" MSPW2 93

### As We Gather

P On the Mount of Transfiguration, Peter blurted out that it was good the disciples were there so they could build shelters for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah. Our being close to our Lord, though, is not good so that we might do something for Him; rather, it is good because we know He has done so much for us. Moses, the greatest prophet according to the reading from Deuteronomy, spoke God's Word, but Jesus is the Word, effecting our forgiveness and salvation in His sacrifice for us. His "departure," as Luke puts it in the Gospel, is literally His exodus, not from slavery in Egypt like Moses, but from sin and death through His sacrifice on the cross. Our Lord is the builder of His "house," the Church. Only because we have been forgiven is it good for us to be here, for as the psalm reminds us, "the Lord our God is holy!"

### Opening Praise Songs

"Firm Foundation" MSPW 9

"Come, Thou Fount, Come, Thou King" MSPW6 294

Stand

### Invocation

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

C **Amen.**

### Opening Sentences Hebrews 3:6a; Luke 9:35; Psalm 99:9

P Christ is faithful over God's house as a son.

C **And we are His house.**

P "This is My Son, My Chosen One;

C **listen to Him!"**

P Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;

C **for the LORD our God is holy!**

**Confession and Absolution** *1 John 1:8–9*

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P Almighty God, merciful Father,
- C **we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us for our spiritual blindness, and renew our faith in You alone.**

- P Jesus came down from the Mount of Transfiguration, even though He knew His disciples would forsake and deny Him. He went to the cross so that He could offer us all full and free forgiveness. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Sit*

**Song:** *"White as Snow"* MSPW 35

*Stand*

**Salutation**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

- P Let us pray. 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.
- C **Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven;**
- P through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

*Sit*

**Farewell to Alleluia** *Luke 9:36*

- P Luke writes that after the transfiguration, the three disciples "kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen." Because we know about our Lord's resurrection, we cannot keep silent, but during the season of Lent, which begins this Wednesday, we shall mute our liturgical praises and refrain from singing our alleluias until our Easter celebration.

**Benediction**

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

**Closing Song:** *"My Life is in You Lord"* SPW 204

**My Moments and My Days**

**Sunday, February 27:** 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/SALT/Bible Class

**Wednesday, March 2:** No Confirmation, No Jr. High FFF, 6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service, 6:45 p.m. Youth Potato Bake, 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice

**Sunday, March 6:** 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Communion Service, 9:15. a.m. Sunday School/SALT/Bible Class

Moses was the leader of God's people as they sojourned from slavery in Egypt to the Promised Land. O Holy Spirit, raise up people to govern their nation freely and justly. Give them courage to enact laws that protect all who live within their borders. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P The Israelites had to deal with the tribes already in the Promised Land. Around the world today, good Lord, guide and protect fire fighters, first responders, and all those who go in harm's way in their communities. Accompany and protect armed forces deployed across the globe wherever nations are in conflict. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P The three disciples on the mountain "were heavy with sleep." Surround people who are tired, poor, sick, or lonely with faith-filled medical personnel, friends, and family who seek to meet their needs. We pray especially for those near and dear to us, [including ...] Use us as part of Your answers to their prayers, heavenly Father, to bring about strength, health, security, and companionship. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Lord Jesus, You accompanied the disciples as they returned to the others. Be among Your Church as it gathers anywhere around Word and Sacrament. Bless Your Church and give Your people courage and opportunity to spread the news of Your death for our sins and Your resurrection on the third day for our salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Into Your gracious hands, heavenly Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Stand*

**Lord's Prayer**

### **Old Testament Reading** *Deuteronomy 34:1–12*

<sup>1</sup>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, <sup>2</sup>all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, <sup>3</sup>the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. <sup>4</sup>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." <sup>5</sup>So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. <sup>8</sup>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.

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, <sup>11</sup>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, <sup>12</sup>and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm** *Psalm 99; antiphon: v. 9*

P Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;

**C for the LORD our God is holy!**

P The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

**C He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

P The LORD is great in Zion;

**C He is exalted over all the peoples.**

P Let them praise Your great and awesome name!

**C Holy is He!**

P The King in His might loves justice. You have established equity;

C **You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

P Exalt the LORD our God; worship at His footstool!

C **Holy is He!**

P Moses and Aaron were among His priests, Samuel also was among those who called upon His name.

C **They called to the LORD, and He answered them. In the pillar of the cloud He spoke to them;**

P they kept His testimonies and the statute that He gave them.

C **O LORD our God, You answered them; You were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

P Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain;

C **for the LORD our God is holy!**

**Epistle** *Hebrews 3:1–6*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, <sup>2</sup>who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>(For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) <sup>5</sup>Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, <sup>6</sup>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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Song:** *“In Christ Alone” MSPW3 138*

*Stand*

**Holy Gospel** *Luke 9:28–36*

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>And behold, two men were talking

with him, Moses and Elijah, <sup>31</sup>who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>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. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” <sup>36</sup>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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, 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,**  
*Sit*

**Sermon Song:** *“’Tis Good, Lord, to be Here”* LSB 414

**Sermon** *“Master, It is Good to be Here”*

**Offering**

**Offering Song:** *“Shout to the Lord”* MSPW 16

**Prayer of the Church**

P Let us pray for the Church around the world and for all people in their various needs.