

Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 27, 2022



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**Welcome!** Thank you for joining us for worship! In our service we receive God's grace through his Word and sacraments. As he works to strengthen our faith in Jesus, we respond to his goodness with our prayers, praise, and offerings. We are glad to be here and glad that you have joined us today!

- Restrooms are located in the main hallway, narthex, and back classrooms.
- If you wish to step out of the service to calm your child, please feel welcome to use the Fellowship Hall or the Toddler Sunday School Room (located in the back corner classroom of the building, connected to the Fellowship Hall). Both of these rooms have televisions showing the worship service. Also, please do not hesitate to ask an usher or any member if you need help locating anything. We want to make you feel welcome.

#### Serving the Lord and Serving Us:

Pastor: Rev. Paul Jenkins

Usher: Scott Mund (Early), Bob Pett (Late)

Asst. Ushers:

**Today's Focus:** Before he reaches the climax of his saving work, Jesus reveals his glory on the mountain to his three closest disciples. We find our lasting glory in Jesus' salvation. Our worship follows *Morning Praise*.

## We Come into the Presence of God

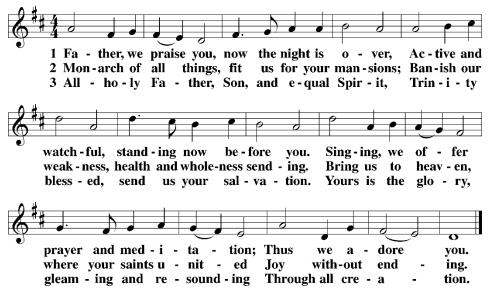
#### PASTOR'S GREETING AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

#### **MUSICAL INTRODUCTION**

This is an opportunity to quiet your mind and heart and prepare for the joy of worshipping your God.

STAND

#### MORNING HYMN:



## **Invocation**

M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- M. Let us confess our sins to the Lord
- C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- M: O Lord, open my lips.
- C: And my mouth shall declare your praise.
- M: Hasten to save me, O God.
- C: O Lord, come quickly to help me.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may behold by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed into his likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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#### THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

#### Exodus 34:29-35

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the Testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not realize that the skin of his face was shining because he had been speaking with the LORD. <sup>30</sup> When Aaron and all the people of Israel saw

Moses, they were amazed that the skin of his face was shining, so they were afraid to come close to him. <sup>31</sup> Moses called to them, so Aaron and all the rulers of the community returned to him, and Moses spoke to them. <sup>32</sup> Afterward, all the people of Israel came close to him, and he gave them all of the commands that the LORD had spoken to him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup> When Moses was finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. <sup>34</sup> But whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off until he came out again. Then he would come out and tell the people of Israel what he had been commanded. <sup>35</sup> Whenever the people of Israel saw Moses' face, they would see that the skin of Moses' face was shining. Then Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with the LORD again.

# **PSALM:** 148 Read Responsively

M: Praise the LORD.

Praise the LORD from the heavens.

C: Praise him from the heights.

M: Praise him, all his angels.

C: Praise him, all his armies.

M: Praise him, sun and moon.

C: Praise him, all you bright stars.

M: Praise him, you highest heavens

C: and you waters which are above the earth.

M: Let them praise the name of the LORD,

C: because he commanded, and they were created.

M: He caused them to stand forever and ever.

C: He gave a decree, and it will not pass away.

M: He has raised up a horn for his people -

C: the praise of all his favored ones -

M: for the children of Israel, the people close to him.

C: Praise the LORD.

## **SECOND LESSON**

#### 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:3

Therefore, since we have this kind of hope, we act with great boldness. <sup>13</sup> We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face, so that the Israelites could not continue to look at the end of the radiance, as it was fading away. <sup>14</sup> In spite of this, their minds were hardened. Yes, up to the present day, the same veil remains when the Old Testament is read. It has not been removed because it is taken away only in Christ. <sup>15</sup> Instead, to this day, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts. <sup>16</sup> But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> But all of us who reflect the Lord's glory with an unveiled face are being transformed into his own image, from one degree of glory to another. This too is from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

4 Therefore, since we have this ministry as a result of the mercy shown us, we are not discouraged. <sup>2</sup> On the contrary, we have renounced shameful, underhanded methods. We do not operate in a deceitful way, and we do not distort the word of God. Instead, by proclaiming the truth clearly, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

<sup>3</sup> But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled among those who are perishing.

M: We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

STAND

#### GOSPEL

#### Luke 9:28-36

For a few brief moments, Jesus is transformed and lets his divinity shine through for his disciples (including us) to see and believe that he is the Lord of glory.

About eight days after he said these words, Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> While he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothing became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup> Just then, two men, Moses and Elijah, were talking with him! <sup>31</sup> They appeared in glory and were talking about his departure, which he was going to bring to fulfillment in Jerusalem.

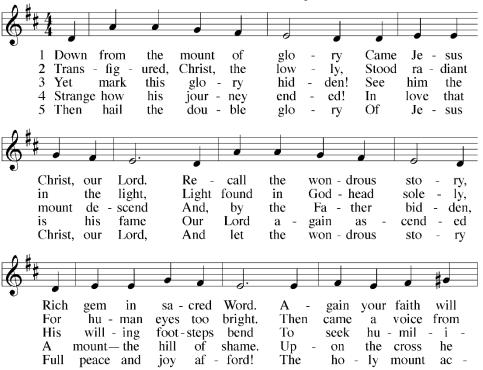
<sup>32</sup> Peter and those with him were weighed down with sleep, but when they were completely awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

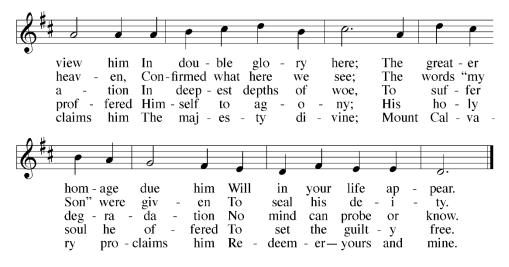
<sup>33</sup> As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let's make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not realize what he was saying. <sup>34</sup> While he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them. They were afraid as they went into the cloud. <sup>35</sup> Then a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" <sup>36</sup> After the voice had spoken, they found Jesus alone. They kept this secret and told no one in those days any of the things they had seen.

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# **CHILDREN'S SERMON:** "Look at Jesus"

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** 97, "Down from the Mount of Glory"





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#### SERMON

Text: Exodus 34:29-35

Theme: Find Lasting Glory in Jesus' Gospel

Stand

#### APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

BE SEATED (8:30)

#### **OFFERING**

You may drop your offering in the plates before 8:30 or 11:00 worship services. During 8:30 service, the offering plate will also be passed for those who wish to give their offering in that manner.

The members of Trinity make joyful offerings to support this church's ministry. A portion of our offerings is also used for the training of future pastors and teachers, and the worldwide mission work carried out by our fellowship, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Our guests are under no obligation to give, but any gifts freely given are welcome and will be put to work in service to God's kingdom

Stand (8:30)

- M: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.
- C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: We praise you, O Father, for the precious gift of your Son and for his glorious transfiguration on the holy mountain. Give us the firm resolve to listen to your Son, the eager readiness to believe his promises, and the joyful willingness to heed his commandments. By the sign of Moses and Elijah, show us that blessed are the dead who die in faith, for they shall know the power of Christ's resurrection.

O God and Father, let your Holy Spirit find a dwelling in our poor bodies and transform our lives into the radiance of goodness, purity, and righteousness. Transform our minds, our understanding, our judgments, our whole selves to reflect the mind of Christ. Take our sickness and pain, our disappointments and despair, our sorrow and mourning, our pride and anger, our selfishness and envy, our hate and fear; take all these, O Father, and transform them by the healing touch of Jesus into noble impulses, pure motives, kind thoughts, constructive deeds, high courage, and true faith.

## Special prayers

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

M: Look on your Church, O Lord, here and in every place, and grant that we and all who bear the name of Christ may daily offer up to you the acceptable sacrifices of repentance, thanksgiving, and loving obedience. Hear our prayer, and by your mercy grant our petitions for Christ's sake.

Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

#### PRAYER FOR GRACE

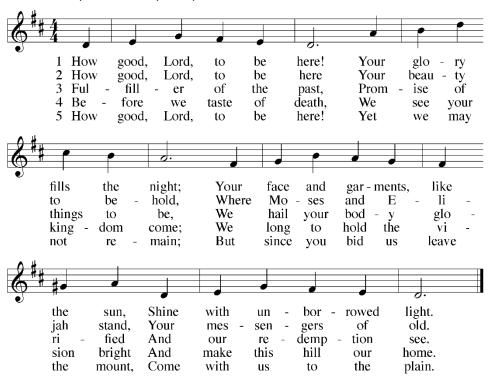
- M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

#### BLESSING

- M: Let us praise the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: Amen.

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## **CLOSING HYMN:** 95, "How Good, Lord, to Be Here"



Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt.

Tune: Potsdam (SM) J. S. Bach, 1685–1750, adapt.

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#### Ash Wednesday Worship This Week

This Wednesday, March 2 Trinity will hold Ash Wednesday worship in the sanctuary at 7pm. The service will also be livestreamed.

#### **Lenten Suppers**

On Wednesdays in Lent (March 9, 16, 23, 30, and April 6), we will enjoy meals in the Fellowship Hall. Doors open at 5:30 for set up and supper's served at 6:00; a brief devotion will follow at 6:45. Some beverages and tableware will be provided; please bring a dish to pass if you're able.

## Green Bag Food Drive for NVCC Students Ends Today

Thank you to all who have donated food for the Northern Virginia College students who are in need. I am humbled by your generosity and the students are blessed through you. Another drive will be coming in the Fall.

## Wine and Word Bible Study - meeting Thursday, 3/3 & 3/17

The Wine and Word Bible Study meets at the home of Bruce and Dawn Knox. Their home is located just 5 minutes from the church in Old Bridge Estates. We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays from 7-8:30pm. We are journeying through the book of Genesis with Larry Kovaciny as our guide. Those who wish can bring a bottle of wine and small bite appetizer. Come and join us whether you drink wine or not! Contact Dawn at 703-615-9320 or dawn.f.knox@gmail.com to RSVP.

## Egg Hunt for Kids April 9!

Trinity will be holding our annual Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. There will be two sections: one for children 4 and under and another for children 5 and up. Bring baskets to collect eggs!

We are now collecting donations of little plastic eggs and candy that can fit inside the eggs. Donations are welcome all the way up to the date of the hunt. Please leave your donation on the table in the back of the Fellowship Hall.

While this event doesn't require a lot of volunteer help, it would be good to have a couple people on hand besides pastor to hand out invitations to VBS, to collect contact information from those interested in learning more about Trinity, and to attempt to maintain order as well as it can be maintained at an Easter Egg Hunt. If you're available and can help out, please let pastor know. Two or three helpers is all we should need.

## **District Convention Delegate Needed**

A lay delegate from Trinity is needed to attend the North Atlantic District Convention from June 7-8 at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Chesapeake. The delegate should be a voting member. All costs are covered. Please speak to pastor if you are eligible, available, and want to do this.

## **Voters' Meeting March 20**

Trinity's next voters' meeting will be held online at 1:30pm on Sunday, March 20. The agenda and meeting link will be coming from President Steve Proksch.

#### **Small Choir**

Trinity's small choir sings once a month during Worship. Anyone is welcome to join! We'll sing hymns from our hymnal, Christian Worship. If you are interested in joining, please let John or Erika Ohlendorf know.

## Help Needed with New Mover Welcome Packages

Each month Trinity delivers welcome care packages to new residents in our nearby neighborhood. We have a dedicated but small crew undertaking this project. If you would like to help, either providing care packages or delivering them, please speak to pastor. We are trying to make friends, inviting contact with as many new neighbors as possible, but need more help. Thank you for considering.

## **In-Person Bible Study**

Recently we began a new study on Friendship Evangelism. Other topics to follow through the spring and fall of 2022 will include: Mark's Gospel, Lutheran worship, and the prophet Zechariah.

The same sessions are repeated each Wednesday night (Thursdays during Lent and Advent) at 7pm online, for those who teach Sunday school, are out of town on Sunday, or otherwise unable to attend in person. These classes will be on Zoom, with the links provided in pastor's weekly email.

#### **Ushers and Usher Assistants Needed**

A sign up sheet is available in the Narthex. You are welcome to fill in as many Sundays as you are available. If you would like to become part of the regular rotation of ushers, or even just fill in once in a while when needed, please speak to Worship Elder Scott Mund.

## Our Little Free Library

Our Little Free Library always welcomes donations of books and food! If the library outside is full, you can place donations in the white plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall right beside the door to the hallway.

## **Lord's Supper Available to All Members**

If you are a confirmed member of Trinity and waiting to return to the sanctuary for worship, Pastor would be happy to commune you at home, or anywhere else you would like to meet. Just contact him at (309) 433-5807 or <a href="mailto:revpauljenkins@yahoo.com">revpauljenkins@yahoo.com</a> with a date, time, and place, and he will make it work.

## It is the mission of



# to glorify God

by growing in His Word and by going with His Word

to Woodbridge and to the world.



Trinity Lutheran Church is part of a group of nearly 1,300 churches called the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod or WELS. The WELS is a world-wide church with congregations serving in all fifty of the United States, as well as in Mexico and Canada. The WELS also serves over 26 foreign countries through world mission work. We are united in faith and teaching with the other churches of the WELS as well as the members of the Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Conference, consisting of 21 confessional Lutheran church bodies throughout the world.