

# Messiah Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod



## The Transfiguration of Our Lord January 17, 2016 Divine Service I

*Matthew 17:8* “And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.” 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.”

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**VISITORS WELCOME!** A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

**ATTENDANCE REGISTER:** During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew.

**Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.**

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

**PRAYERS OF PREPARATION** may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Preacher/Celebrant:** Pr. Roemke

**Elder:** Tyler Nehls

**Ushers:** Keith Kentala & Jacob Kentala

**Greeter:** Marge Harmon

**Organist:** Evone Hagerman

**Altar Guild:** Marilyn Dissen & Diana Dissen

**Cookies:** Today's cookies and juice are provided by the Griepentrog.

Rise and face processional cross.  
**Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky**

LSB 873

Stand

**Invocation**

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

**+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+**

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

**+SERVICE OF THE WORD+**

**Introit**

Ps. 84:1-2a, 4, 10-11; antiphon: Ps. 77:18b



Your lightnings lighted | up the world;\*  
the earth trem- | bled and shook.

**How lovely is your dwelling place, O | LORD of hosts!\***

**My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD.**

Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,\*  
ever sing- | ing your praise!

**For a day in your courts is better than a thousand | elsewhere.\***

**I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than  
dwell in the tents of | wickedness.**

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 up- |  
rightly.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Your lightnings lighted | up the world;\*  
the earth trem- | bled and shook.

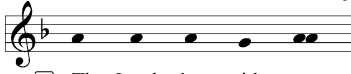
**Kyrie**

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**Gloria in Excelsis**

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# Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**P** 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.



**G** A - - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 34:29–35*

<sup>29</sup>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 know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

<sup>34</sup>Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, <sup>35</sup>the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known

*MLC Choir*

### Epistle

*2 Peter 1:16–21*

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

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**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are written: "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the". The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a double bar line. Below it, the lyrics are: "words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia."

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 17:1–9*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are written: "Glo - ry to You, O Lord."

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good that

we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.”<sup>5</sup> He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”<sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified.<sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.”<sup>8</sup> And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.<sup>9</sup> And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*Sit*

***O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair***

LSB 413

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

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**Offering**

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**Offertory**

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**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

**Preface**

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**Sanctus**

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Words of Our Lord**

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**Proclamation of Christ**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Pax Domini**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

**Distribution**

***'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here***

LSB 414

***Beautiful Savior***

LSB 537

***Jesus on the Mountain Peak***

LSB 415

***O Word of God Incarnate***

LSB 523

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benediction**

***Alleluia! Sing to Jesus***

*LSB 821, Choir, vv 1&3*

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki, Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, Ernie Kapellusch, & Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✘ Amy Walther and family as they mourn the loss of her grandfather.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Ron Hulke, Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, Kyle Darling (friend of the Zuehls), Cindy (friend of Geri Tobalsky), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Maurissa Murakami (Bev Murakami's daughter-in-law), Rose Murakami (Bev's granddaughter), Bob Hogan (Ash Noble's uncle), Leslie Brothers (recovering from a vehicle accident), Marge Pohjola (friend of Kelvin and Vicky Nelson), Carol Vescova, MacKenna Marinarli (Gail Kulbacki's granddaughter), Chuck Brothers (hospitalized), Mary Rusch (recovering from a fall), and Finley Olson and her family (goddaughter of Jeff Vallis).

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2016+**

- ✘ **PPC AND SLC MEETINGS:** The Parish Planning Committee will meet this Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm. The Spiritual Life Council will meet immediately following, at 7:15 pm.
- ✘ **HIGHER THINGS RETREAT:** Pastor Grenyo is organizing a group of confirmed teens to attend the Higher Things retreat "Branded in Baptism" in Sheboygan February 12-14. The cost is \$50. Registration and payment are due by January 24<sup>th</sup>. Please see Pastor Grenyo for a registration form or with any questions.
- ✘ **NEW MEMBERS:** We will be bringing in new members on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in membership at Messiah, please speak to Pastor Roemke.
- ✘ **ALTAR GUILD MEETING:** The Altar Guild will meet Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

- ✘ **CREATION WORKSHOP:** Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Watertown, WI is hosting a Creation Workshop with Concordia Seminary Professor Dr. Charles Arand. This free seminar will take place on Saturday, January 23, from 9 AM to noon. For more information or to register, please email Jan Neitzel at [janneitzel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janneitzel@sbcglobal.net) or call (920) 285-0282.
- ✘ **THE 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CONCORDIA APOLOGETICS CONFERENCE** will be March 4-5 at Concordia University Wisconsin. The topic is “Truth on Trial: Science and Faith in Today’s World”. Register online at [www.cuw.edu/upco](http://www.cuw.edu/upco) . There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall to see if anyone is interested in carpooling.
- ✘ **YOUR DAILY LUTHERAN BIBLE CLASS:** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. This week’s topics include: The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard, Jesus Rejected at Nazareth, Things We See in Church, Martin Luther's "The Babylonian Captivity of the Church and more. You can listen at your convenience at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org).

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Budgeted Lord’s Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,584
Lord’s Work Received 1/10-1/16:	\$4,106
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+\$522
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+\$1,616

**ATTENDANCE** 1/10: 132

Communed: 118

**BIRTHDAYS**

1/17 Evone Hagerman  
 1/21 Eric Davidson  
 Ernie Kapellusch

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

1/22 Logan Lauer

**ANNIVERSARIES**

1/17 Paul & Mary Rusch (46 years)