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The Transfiguration of our Lord

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Divine Service I

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

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 are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

+SERVING TODAY+

Elder: Mark Varvil

Greeter: Liz Joslyn

Organist: Evone Hagerman

Altar Guild: Angela Pynaker & Kathy Capriotti

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Jane Gundlach in honor of Rev. Ted Gundlach's birthday.

Rise and face the procession.

'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

LSB 414

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

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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.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 3:1-14

¹Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then He said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶And He said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹²He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

¹³Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

Gradual

Ps. 45:2a; 110:1



You are the most handsome of the | sons of men;*
grace is poured up- | on Your lips.
The LORD says to my Lord: “Sit at My | right hand,*
until I make your enemies your | footstool.”

Epistle

2 Peter 1:16–21

¹⁶For 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. ¹⁷For 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,” ¹⁸we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with Him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹And 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, ²⁰knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. ²¹For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

Stand and face Gospel procession.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 17:1–9

¹After six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ²And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as light. ³And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴And 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.” ⁵He 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.” ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” ⁸And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

⁹And 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.”

Nicene Creed	<i>p158</i>
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Sit

<i>O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair</i>	<i>LSB 413</i>
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Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Offertory

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Please be seated as the altar is prepared for the Service of the Sacrament. You are encouraged to use this time to prepare yourself to receive the Sacrament; appropriate prayers are found in the front cover of the hymnal. Visitors, please review the communion statement in the front of the bulletin.

Offering may be left at either of the doors to the sanctuary.

Stand

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer	<i>p162</i>
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The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini	<i>p163</i>
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Agnus Dei

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Distribution

<i>Beautiful Savior</i>	<i>LSB 537</i>
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<i>Jesus on the Mountain Peak</i>	<i>LSB 415</i>
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<i>At the Name of Jesus</i>	<i>LSB 512</i>
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<i>Come, Thou Bright and Morning Star</i>	<i>LSB 872</i>
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Stand

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Benediction

<i>Alleluia, Song of Gladness</i>	<i>LSB 417</i>
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**Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum
The Word of the Lord endures forever**

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Kevin Boyd, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Rianon Padro, Sean Gleason, Rick Zuehls, and for veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Alberta Helmke, Sean Esser (relative of John Winter), David Kristopeit (Linda Polcin's brother-in-law), Donna Primuth, Toni Marshman, and Alice Hoaglund.

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24+

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,648
Lord's Work Received 1/17-1/23:	3,242
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-1,406
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+124

ATTENDANCE 1/17 7:45 – 11 9:00 – 86

BIRTHDAYS

1/24 Hannah Davidson

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

1/29 Jennifer Weber

ANNIVERSARIES

1/24 Vernon & Lynda Koch (62 years)
 Jeremy & Lynn Gerlach (23 years)