

# Transfiguration of Our Lord

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## **Welcome to Gethsemane**

The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's beloved son. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.

◆ = congregation stand as you are able

p. = page in front of hymnal

PRELUDE

*Wie Schon Leuchtet*

J. Bender

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright*  
St. 1, 3, 5

ELW 308

GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the mercy of the Holy One, and the Spirit of the living God be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

*Señor, Señor, ten piedad*

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*Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .

*so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -*  
mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on

*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.

*Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .

*so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -*  
mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on



*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
*us; O . . . Christ, have . . mer - cy.*

*Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
*Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .*

*so - tros. mer - cy. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -*  
*Lord, . . have mer - cy on*

*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
*us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**VOLUNTARY**

*Cloches du soir*

D. Wagner

**READING**

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

*The spotlight of Christian ministry is not on the people who carry out ministry but on the Lord Jesus Christ. Just as God made light shine out of darkness at creation, God makes the light of Jesus Christ shine in our lives through Christian ministry.*

<sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Aleluya*

S 179a

*A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!*  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!*  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,*  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

*a - le - lu - ya! A - le - lu - ya!*  
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-9

The holy gospel according to St. Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Mark's gospel presents the transfiguration as a preview of what would become apparent to Jesus' followers after he rose from the dead. Confused disciples are given a vision of God's glory manifest in the beloved Son.*

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved listen to him!" <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

◆ HYMN

*How Good, Lord, to Be Here*

ELW 315

APOSTLE'S CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE

*Santo, Santo, Santo*

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.

Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to e - res Se - ñor.  
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

The image shows a musical score for the prayer response 'Santo, Santo, Santo'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the next two lines. The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a steady rhythm.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

La paz del Señor sea con todos vosotros. **Y también con usted.**

OFFERING

*The Prayers I Make*

J. Marshall

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LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND HEALING

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.

Communion is served at front and back stations of the church.

Pick up a clay cup found in the front pews of each section.

Receive the bread and wine or white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Those not communing are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

Prayers for healing for yourself or on behalf of others are at the white kneeler near the pulpit.

COMMUNION MUSIC	<i>Cordero de Dios</i>	back page
	<i>Beautiful Savior</i>	ELW 838

## ◆ POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Everlasting God, we bless you that you have brought us to the mountaintop and fed us with the life and light of your Son. Send us in his name from this place to bring light into dark corners, healing where lives are torn, and nourishment to every hungry heart, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA

Shortly after his transfiguration, our Lord set his face to go to Jerusalem, where he would spend the last days of his life prior to his crucifixion. This day marks the end of the Epiphany season, and on Wednesday we begin the season of Lent. Lent is a time of reflection, meditation, repentance, and prayer. Part of our observance of Lent includes “giving up” the word “Alleluia” in our worship until the celebration of our Lord’s resurrection.

Let us now set our faces also toward Jerusalem.

### BLESSING

God the Father, light-creator; God the Son, Light from Light; and God the Holy Spirit, light-revealer, bless you and + give you peace. **Amen.**

HYMN	<i>Alleluia, Song of Gladness</i>	ELW 318
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace, engaged by God. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*Toccata on "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"*

R. Hobby

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### **Worship Leaders**

*The entire congregation*

Pastor Sarah Moat, Preaching

Pastor John D. F. Nelson, Presiding

Angie Roesner, Assisting Minister

Jay Elander, Lector

Children's Bell Choir

Melissa Culloton, soloist

Mark Fideldy, organ

Paul McKenzie, director of Music and Fine Arts

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## **Faith in Daily Life** *How the scriptures speak to your faith and life.*

1. In the Transfiguration story **Jesus comes down** off of the mountain. At Christmas time **he came down** and at Easter **he will come down off** of the cross. How does it feel to have a God who insists on coming down to participate in our life on earth?
2. Peter, James, and John saw light on the mountain top when they were there with Jesus. Where do you see or experience the light of Christ?
3. Jesus needed to drag his friends up the mountain to get their attention. How does Jesus get your attention?
4. Where are the dark places in your life, right now, that most need to see the light of Christ?
5. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered his disciples to tell no one about what they had seen, for his time was not at hand. Is it easier for you to keep silent about what you know to be true about Jesus or to tell people about your faith? Why?

## Cordero de Dios

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Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;  
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

ten pie-dad de no - so-tros,                      ten pie-dad de no - so-tros.  
have . . mer-cy up - on us,                      have . . mer-cy up - on us.

Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;  
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

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Cor-de - ro de Dios, tú que qui-tas el pe-ca-do del mun-do;  
O Lamb of . . God, you . . take a-way the sin of the world; . .

da - nos tu paz,                      da - nos tu paz.  
grant us your peace,                      grant us your peace.



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