



**WELCOME TO  
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
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**Traditional Service  
Transfiguration of Our Lord**  
*(Divine Service Setting Two)*  
**February 7, 2016 – 10:45 a.m.**

**St. John's Mission: To help one more person get to Heaven  
by pointing them to Jesus Christ.**

**LET JESUS SHINE!** Today as we enter our newly renovated sanctuary we meet Jesus on a bright and glorious mountain. We are also honored you have come to see Jesus through Word and Sacrament as you worship. May the splendor of His presence shine brightly in your heart and life.

### † Prayer Before Worship †

Lord Jesus, I thank you for revealing Yourself to me through Your Word. Remove from me any obstacle that would obstruct my view of Your presence. Open my ears that I may attentively hear Your Word and apply it to my life. Open my heart to received the splendor of Your presence. Move me, O Holy Spirit, to reflect Your light as I walk through this season Living Lent. In Your name, O Jesus, I come. Amen.

**Prelude**

***Introduction and Allegro***

William Walond

*(Please Stand)*

### **The Blessing of A Newly Renovated Sanctuary**

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

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Beloved in the Lord, Moses was commanded by the Lord to receive gifts from the people for the beautification of the sanctuary. Everyone whose heart stirred and whose spirit was moved brought a contribution to the Lord to be used in the Lord's house in all its services. (Exodus 36:3ff)

Since the Lord has taught us in His holy Word that everything is sanctified by the Word of God and prayer, it is fitting that we bless and sanctify this newly renovated sanctuary and the many refinished items for use in God's holy house of worship.

**P:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

O God, You have directed us to bring offerings for Your glory. We implore You to bless this newly renovated Sanctuary. Bless the cross that it may continually remind us of the glory of Your Son, Jesus Christ, for our Salvation. Bless the many refinished items that enhance our worship. Grant that they may reflect our love for You, benefit Your Church, and bring joy to those who worship here; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: The Lord Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this newly Renovated Sanctuary, the many refinished items and all who gather here to worship.

**C: Amen.**

**Welcome**

**Processional Hymn #414 'Tis Good Lord, to Be Here**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

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

**C: Amen.**

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.**

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God, 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. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**Introit** *Psalm 84:1–2, 9, 11; antiphon: v. 4*

P: Blessèd are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! How lovely is your dwelling place,

**C: LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

P: Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!

**C: 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.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: Blessèd are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! How lovely is your dwelling place,

**Alleluia Response**

P: “Alleluia,” said the prophets of old;

**C: Christ is coming; prepare His way.**

P: “Alleluia,” said angels and shepherds;

**C: Christ is born; the Word made flesh is come to earth.**

P: “Alleluia,” said the Magi from the east;

**C: Christ is King; bow down in worship and bring offerings to Him.**

P: “Alleluia,” said the Baptizer John;

**C: Christ is here; the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.**

P: “Alleluia,” said the servants and disciples;

**C: Christ is Lord; revealed clearly in water changed to wine.**

P: “Alleluia,” said the people;

**C: Christ is Messiah; fulfiller of God’s promise and the prophets’ word.**

P: “Alleluia,” said the fishermen;

**C: Christ is Master; follow Him and fish for men.**

P: “Alleluia,” said the sick and suffering;

**C: Christ is healer; trust Him for healing and hope in Him for life brand new.**

P: “Alleluia,” said the students;

**C: Christ is teacher; listen to His word and wisdom.**

P: “Alleluia,” said Moses and Elijah;

**C: Christ is God; the light of light has come to shine on us the love from on high.**

# Hymn of Praise – This is the Feast

No Introduction



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God,  
 for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun His reign.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

### Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

*(Silence for personal prayer.)*

Lord, You once revealed Your glory on a mountaintop, where Moses and Elijah pointed to Your Son. So reveal Your glory to us now in Your Word, which testifies of Jesus and His saving death, and in Your Sacraments, which deliver the fruits of His suffering to us in the grace of forgiveness and everlasting life. Help us to know what is eternal that we may hold fast to it, and show us what will not last so that we may not be distracted by its fading glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*(Be Seated)*

### First Lesson

### Deuteronomy 34:1–12

*(Moses, who knew God face to face, is shown the promised land just before his death in Moab.)*

<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.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Second Lesson

**Hebrews 3: 1-6**

*(Jesus is greater than Moses and is faithful in all of God's house which includes us as well.)*

<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.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please Stand)*

## Alleluia and Verse

One note Introduction

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C' and contains the melody for the first line of the Alleluia. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 9: 28 – 36

*(The three disciples see Jesus revealed in His divine splendor.)*

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



**G** Glo - ry 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.



**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary**



and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

*(Be Seated)*

### **Children's Message – Mark Meier**

### **Hymn of the Day #413 *O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair***

**Sermon**

***“Reflect God's Glory”***

**Luke 9:28-36**

**Offering**

**Offertory / Anthem**

***Sing Alleluia***

Russell Robinson

*(Please Stand)*

### **Prayers of the Church**

**P:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*(Silence for meditation.)*

Give us eyes to see and a faith that recognizes Your glory revealed in Christ Jesus, who has kept the Law and fulfilled the prophetic Word for us.

**C:** **Instill in us the fullness of Your saving promises.**

- P: Let Your Church at large and our congregation at St. John's be a place where Your glory shines in the Word that speaks Christ's voice and the Sacraments that deliver to us His saving grace.
- C: Bless all ministers and members that the Word of Christ may so indwell our lives that He is faithfully proclaimed as we serve with His gifts.**
- P: Enable us to bring the light of Christ into places of darkness through calling people to repentance and teaching them to see Jesus Christ and His saving love.
- C: Lord Jesus, shine in and through my life.**
- P: Grant peace to the world around us, to the nations in conflict, and to those who are victims of hate and violence.
- C: Raise up good and faithful leaders to guide nations and people in paths of justice, goodness, and peace.**
- P: Holy Father, be with all the sick, those who suffer, the grieving in their loss, and the dying in their last days, we especially lift up..... and those whom we name before the Lord in our hearts, that they may know healing, comfort, and peace according to Your gracious will; Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.**
- P: Fill us, O Lord, with Your wisdom and discernment, that the fading glory of this world may neither tempt nor deceive us into following darkness.
- C: Enable us to continually dwell on the glory of Christ crucified and risen.**
- P: We give thanks O Lord, for the worship of faithful voices raised in prayer and song, for faithful hearts that believe in Christ's promises.
- C: Bless the tithes and offerings we give to Your glory.**
- P: Strengthen our communion with Christ this day as we receive Christ's true body and blood.
- C: Allow us to receive Him with faith that our unity and life together as congregation may flourish.**
- (Other Petitions Offered here.)*
- P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we have prayed, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.**

## TODAY WE WILL CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER...

St. Paul wrote, "Let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup". Ask yourself: Am I sorry for my sins? Do I believe that Jesus died for my sins? Am I resolved, by the work of the Holy Spirit, to use the power of Christ which is offered in this Sacrament, to amend my sinful life? St. Paul also wrote, "He who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself, if he does not judge the body rightly". Do you believe that you receive the TRUE/REAL BODY AND BLOOD of Christ in, under and with the bread and wine for the full pardon of sins? This is judging it rightly. This is what scripture teaches. (Please use pages 329-330 in the front of your hymn book to examine yourself.)

## † Service of the Sacrament †

### Preface

One note Introduction

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And al-so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



☐ We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



☐ It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary at all times and in all places to give You thanks and praise, O Lord, for You gave us Your only Son in flesh and blood, revealing in Him Your saving purpose and glory by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. By this revealing, we and all the faithful may distinguish between the things temporal and the things eternal, and abide in the glory of the cross and empty tomb for our redemption and eternal life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

No Introduction



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, for You made all things and in them showed forth Your creative power and glory. Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, for You continued to seek out mankind with the promise of redemption even when sin kept us from knowing and trusting in Your glory and will. Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, for You made known the fullness of Your saving purpose in Your Son. As He once displayed His glory upon the mountain with Moses and Elijah, so do we pray for His presence here today, keeping the promise of His Word and delivering to us His saving grace in this bread, which is His body, and this cup, which is His blood.

C: Amen

## 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.

### Words of our Lord

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Peace of the Lord

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

### Agnus Dei

Two measure introduction

**G** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

(Be Seated)

**Distribution Hymns:** #631 *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face*  
#395 *Morning Star, How Bright and Fair*  
#814 *O Bless the Lord, My Soul*

(Please Stand)

### Post-Communion Canticle - *Thank the Lord*

Two measure introduction



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
He has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-  
joice and proud-ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

### Post-Communion Prayer

P: O Lord, we live in the midst of a world of change, of things that last and things that do not. Give us eyes to see Jesus clearly, to know the glory of His cross and resurrection, and hearts to trust in His Word without fear. Accompany us from the mountaintops of life into the dark valleys of doubt and fear that we may not despair nor grow weary, but be sustained in faith and in life to the day of Christ's coming, when only His heavenly glory will remain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

### 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.

Recessional Hymn #416 *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory* (Tune: LSB 700)

**Dismissal**

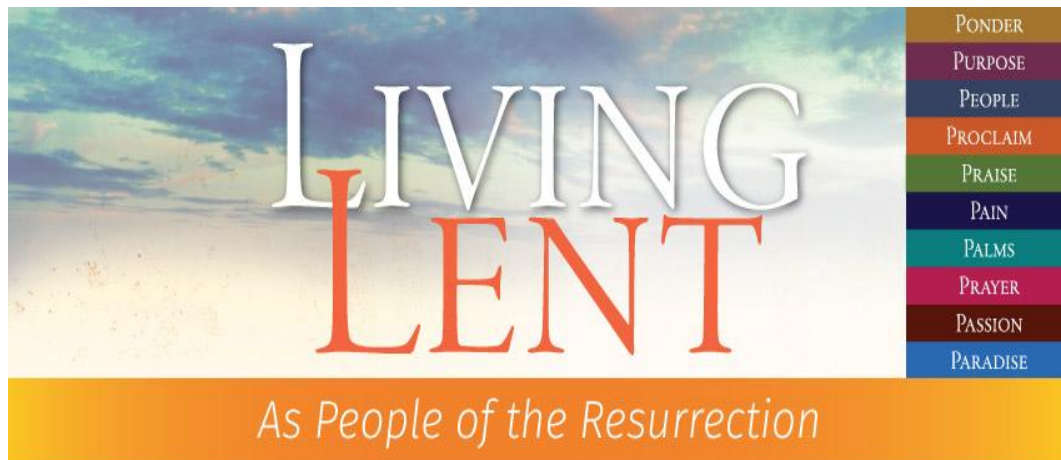
P: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**

*Deo Gratias*

arr. E. Power Biggs



**LIVING LENT as People of the Resurrection**

Each service will focus on a particular word that will Help us live Lent as Easter people. As we look at the Passion narratives of Christ, we will see the significant meaning for us as we see them through the lens of the empty tomb. See the many ways we are always alive in Christ, who died and was raised.

**Lent begins Ash Wednesday, February 10.** Our theme word: **PONDER.** Lent is a time to ponder our relationship with God and with one another, to reflect on our unworthiness and discover the love of God seen in the cross and empty tomb. Service will include the receiving of ashes and Holy Communion. Join us each Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. for supper and plan to worship with us at 7:00 p.m. The Elders will be serving Sloppy Joes, Chips & Sides on Ash Wednesday. Desserts will be provided by members.



***Our Sunday Worship*** - Morning services are at  
8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and  
Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:45 a.m.

***A Great Place to Grow in Christ***

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a  
Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.  
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

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