

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Stevens Point, Wisconsin
Ministers: Every Baptized Member

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD
Today's liturgy uses ELW setting 4, alt.

February 11, 2018

8:15 & 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Announcements

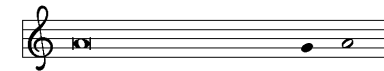
***Gathering Hymn:** *“By Works of Love, Love Grows”* **Insert**

***Greeting**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***Kyrie**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



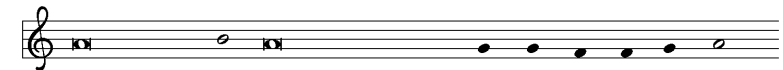
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

***Hymn of Praise:**

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

***Prayer of the Day:**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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.

Children's Lesson

(8:15) Anthem:

"Bell Prayer"

A. Steven Tranto

First Reading:

2 Kings 2:1-12

¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. ³The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

⁴Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. ⁵The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

⁶Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you."

Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” ¹⁰He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Second Reading:

2 Corinthians 4:3–6

³Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In 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. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. ⁶For 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.

*Gospel Acclamation



*Gospel:

Mark 9:2–9

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 9th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²Six 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, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then 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.” ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. ⁹As 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.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon:

Pastor Clay Schmit

Hymn of the Day: “How Good, Lord, to Be Here”

ELW #315

*The Apostles’ Creed:

C: **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 Church:

A:Let us pray.

C: Sing response:



P:Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

*Sharing of the Peace

P: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering

Offertory:

(8:15) "Meditation on Beautiful Savior" Cathy Moglebust

Offertory Prayer:

P: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

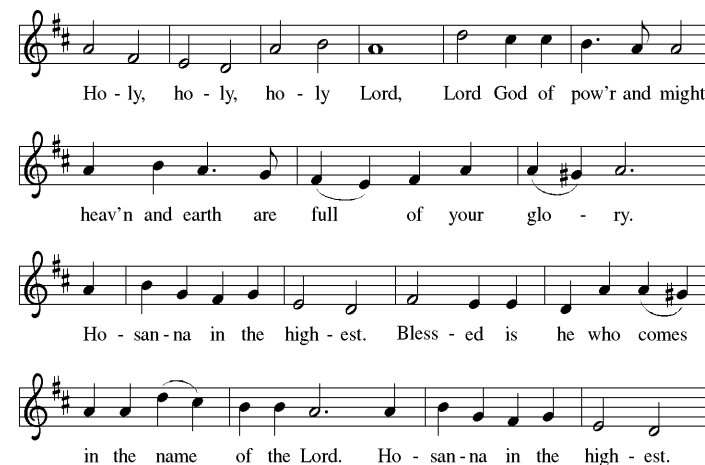
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Holy, Holy, Holy



*Words of Institution

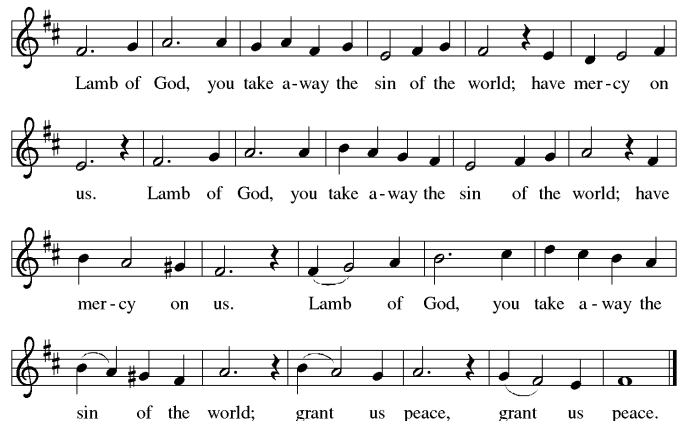
*Lord's Prayer

C: 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

Communion:

The table of Christ is open to all who believe. You are welcome to come to this meal. We believe that the risen Christ meets us here in person to offer us forgiveness and strength to live our lives of faith. Gluten free bread and grape juice are available; please just ask the servers. Please take a moment to fill our communication card found in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. Thank you.

Lamb of God



Hymns during distribution:

<i>“Beautiful Savior”</i>	ELW #838
<i>“Eat This Bread”</i> (sing 4 times)	ELW #472
<i>“Bread of Life from Heaven”</i>	ELW #474

*Blessing

P: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

(8:15) *Sharing Our Meal with the Homebound

*Benediction

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

***Sending Hymn:** *“Shine, Jesus, Shine”* **ELW #671**

*Dismissal

A: Go in peace and bring God’s love to the world in worship, witness and service.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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INSPIRING WORSHIP ALL WEEK

K E Y	<p>“For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God.”</p> <p>1 Peter 3:18</p>
R E A D I N G S	<p>Preparing for Sunday, February 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day 1 – Genesis 9:8–17 • Day 2 – Psalm 25:1–10 • Day 3 – 1 Peter 3:18–22 • Day 4 – Mark 1:9–15 • Day 5 – Matthew 3:13–17 • Day 6 – Luke 3:21–22 <p>* Sunday readings in bold</p>
A P P L Y	<p>Many of us were baptized as infants, before we had to think too hard about how we were now saved. Did the people John the Baptist baptized understand their spiritual cleansing? This week’s readings can deepen our understanding of baptism, and how we are joined to Christ’s resurrection. Unlike Noah, we are the unrighteous who are saved in the waters of baptism.</p>
P R A Y E R	<p>Loving God, guide us as we begin our observance of Lent. Help us to understand your faithfulness to us, and how very much you love us. May we live our lives as you have planned, and keep faithful to You. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>

Devotions written by Trinity members.

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