

Faith Lutheran Church

We extend our whole-hearted welcome to all who worship with us, for we believe that everyone who enters our doors is God's guest.

Transfiguration of Our Lord February 11, 2024



Remembering the Promise

The Preparation

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GATHERING

THE PRELUDE

Here I am to Worship

Chris Tomlin

*** THE BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the Word made flesh, our life and our salvation.

C **Amen!**

P Trusting the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Together we pray,

C **God of life, you promise good news of great joy for all people, and call us to be messengers of your peace. We confess that too often we hoard our joy, our resources, and our security. We nurture conflict and build barriers. We neglect the needs of our neighbors and ignore the groaning of creation. Have mercy on us. Where we are self-centered, open our hearts. Where we are reluctant, give us courage. Where we are cynical, restore our trust. Renew us with your grace and give us again the hope of eternal life in you. Amen.**

P Hear the good news: We are children of God and heirs of God's promises through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In † Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed. Sing with joy, for all the ends of the earth shall know the salvation of God. C Amen.

* THE ENTRANCE HYMN

SONG OF PROMISE REMEMBERING THE PROMISE

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. Chord markings (A, B, E) are placed above the staff to indicate accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words split across lines. The score is divided into several phrases, each with its own set of chord markings.

We are re - mem - ber - ing the pro - mise of God's love—

Oh— We are re - mem - ber - ing the Sav - ior's dy - ing love—

Oh— We are re - mem - ber - ing the pro - mise of God's love and we know

that we will ne - ver be al - one Through the years and through
Through the fear and through
Through the word and through

the won - der we will nev - er be a - lone Through the tears and through
the si - lence we will nev - er be a - lone Through the life and through
the wat - er we will nev - er be a - lone Through the cross and the ris -

the laugh - ter God is here with us
the dy - ing God is here with us
en Sav - ior God is here with us

*** THE 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.

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SONG OF MERCY KYRIE ELEISON

E G#m7 A B E G#m7 A B
Kyr - i - e E - lei - son on our wor - ld and on our way

E G#m7 A B E G#m7
Kyr - i - e E - lei - son ev' - ry day

Verses -Worship Leaders

- For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all. For this holy house for all who worship and praise. Refrain (all)
- That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor. That we may live out truth and justice and grace... Refrain (all)
- For peace in our hearts for peace in our homes, for friends and family. For life and for love, for our work and our play.... Refrain (all)
- For your spirit to guide, that you center our lives in the water and the word. That you nourish our souls with your body and blood... Refrain (all)

Asus2 Bsus2 Asus2 B
let us pray to the Lord!— Let us pray to the Lord!—

*** THE 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.

MUSIC MINISTRY *Be Still For the Presence Of The Lord*
David Evans

THE FIRST LESSON:

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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND LESSON: 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.

L The Word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

* THE VERSE

The musical score is written on three staves in the key of D major (two sharps) and common time (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Help us O Lord to hear your word O - pen our hearts to feel your word Give us the strength to live your word each day". Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, DM7, D7, G, Em7, G/D, and A.

THE GOSPEL READING:

Mark 9:2-9

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**
THE SERMON

*** THE HYMN OF THE DAY**

Shine, Jesus, Shine

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Refrain

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;
blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!
1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness, so our fac - es dis -
dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.
Refrain
Shine on me, shine on me:
Shine on me, shine on me:

A Together we confess our faith,
C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 INTERCESSION**

A As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.
each petition concludes...

God of grace,
receive our prayer.

P Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

*** THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

THE OFFERING (SPOKEN GREETING)

(The people of God respond to his love with their gifts.)

THE VOLUNTARY

*** THE OFFERTORY HYMN**

OFFERING EVERYBODY'S GOT SOMETHING TO OFFER

(Intro C) G



Ev - ery - bo - dy's got some - thing to of - fer young and old the prince and the pau - per

Am



Ev - ery - bo - dy's got some - thing to of - fer in the name of the Lord

C

F

Am7

G



To the lost and the low - ly ones the mes - sage it is clear
To the be - lie - vers gath - ered here the mes - sage it is true

G

F

Am7



we have all got a gift to give our hands our hearts our tears
we have all got a gift to give in all we say and do

* THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Together we pray,

C **God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

* THE PREFACE

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 him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and our duty...

*** THE SANCTUS**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory,

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*** THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

A Together we pray,

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.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The table of life is spread before you. Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

THE DISTRIBUTION

The image displays a musical score for a liturgical service, consisting of three systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is A major (two sharps) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "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".

System 1: The vocal line begins with "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the". The piano accompaniment features a treble and bass clef with a grand staff. Chords are labeled as A, Em, G, and D.

System 2: The vocal line continues with "world, have mer - cy on us. .". The piano accompaniment continues with chords labeled as A, Em, C, and G.

System 3: The vocal line repeats "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the". The piano accompaniment features chords labeled as A, Em, G, and D.

world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Chords: A, Em, C, G, A, Em, G, D, A, Esus4, E, G, D, A.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

* THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



C 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.

* THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Together we pray,

C God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING

* The Benediction

P God bless you and keep you, † Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

C Amen.

* THE SENDING HYMN



1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!



show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

* THE DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE

Come to the Mountain

Pamela Hughes

Faith's Weekly Announcements
Welcome to all of you attending this morning!

This Morning

You are invited to attend Sunday School at 9:30. The choir will NOT rehearse today.

You Are Invited

A new Bible study, based on the gospel of Mark, began last Wednesday, 3:00 pm, in the doublewide. The group will continue to meet every other Wednesday and they would love for you to join them. Next meeting is this Wednesday, so please give it a try. Just bring your Bible, no other book is necessary.

Ash Wednesday

Join us this Wednesday evening at 6:00 for Ash Wednesday worship, then for all the Wednesday evenings in Lent to continue worshipping.

Food Pantry

This week the food bank especially needs liquid hand soap and bars. All donations should be placed in the bin in the narthex.

Attendance last Sunday: 48 (early) + 44 (late)

February Ladies Luncheon

Ladies, we will meet at 11:30 am on Wednesday, February 21, for our February luncheon. Location is Cool Pickles in Paradise, located on Placida Road, immediately south of the Cape Haze Resort, in the Ace Hardware Plaza. We will order off the menu, with separate checks. Come enjoy the fellowship, laughter and food. Deadline to sign up is next Sunday. Questions? See or call Kathie Wiley (941-662-5383).

Join us for Supper

We will once again be having soup suppers on Wednesdays during Lent, starting with February 21st. The supper will be at 5:00 pm, followed by mid-week Lenten worship at 6:00 pm. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex for those able to bring soup (in a crock pot). Dessert is also appreciated. We need 4-5 people each week to provide nourishment. There will also be a sign-up sheet to help with set up and clean up. If you are attending, please bring a place setting, bowl and sandwich (if you want one) for the meal. Sandwiches are not provided.

Can You Help?

As we begin our Wednesday evening Lenten services, we need a few people to serve as ushers. This is a great way to serve on a one-time basis! Sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

Special Valentines

The Lutheran Chicks have been working on a project for Valentine's Day, and they want to share the gifts with you. In the narthex there is a basket with small envelopes, each containing a bookmark. Help yourself to one, or take one to give someone else. No cost to you but when they are gone that's all there is.

Need a Nametag?

If you would like to have a nametag, or if you lost yours and need a replacement, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. Your nametag will be on the ribbon next week.

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Every week day morning	6:30 am	AA meets at church
Monday	1:00 pm	Chime Choir
	8:00 pm	AA meets at church
Tuesday	8:30 am	Work Crew
	9:00 am	Lutheran Chicks
	10:00 am	Council
	5:00 pm	Girl Scouts
Wednesday	1:00 pm	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Ash Wed. Worship

WE PRAY FOR...

Verna Newlon

Tom Jackling

Bruce Grosvenor

Jim Hardenstine

Lou Taylor

John Schleede

Dan Anderson

Jim Hughs

Shirley Rice

Nancy Smith

Anna Villareal

Serving Today

Altar Guild: Mary Lou Fitzgerald

First Service:

Worship Assistant/ Lector: Kathryn Gallagher

Usher: Jim Hughs

Second Service:

Lector/ Worship Assistant: Jim Taylor

Ushers: David & Donna Johnsen, Gene Newlon & Kathie Wiley

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PASTOR'S OFFICE: 10:00 – 1:00 (M-TH) AND BY APPOINTMENT

Our Guiding Principle: GOD'S GRACE WINS....

As we WORSHIP Jesus as our Lord and Savior

As we LOVE one another, welcoming everyone

As we SERVE, inspired by the Holy Spirit

As a deep FAITH is taught and caught

As we make WITNESS and MISSION our life