

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

9:00 am Sunday, February 27, 2022

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✠ = *appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross*
When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed

Greeting And Announcements: *The Lord be with you!* **And also with you!**

[Rise] **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

The Office of Confession of Sins and Absolution

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[Kneel]

Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth.
I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

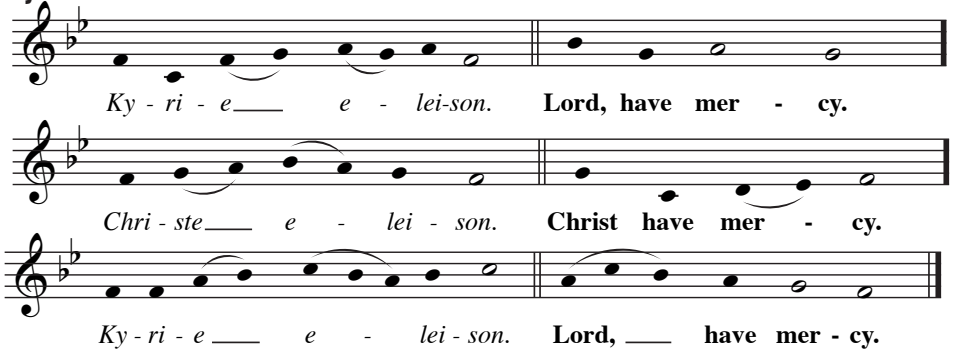
O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.

Entrance Hymn 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here Burgundy Hymn 414

Kyrie

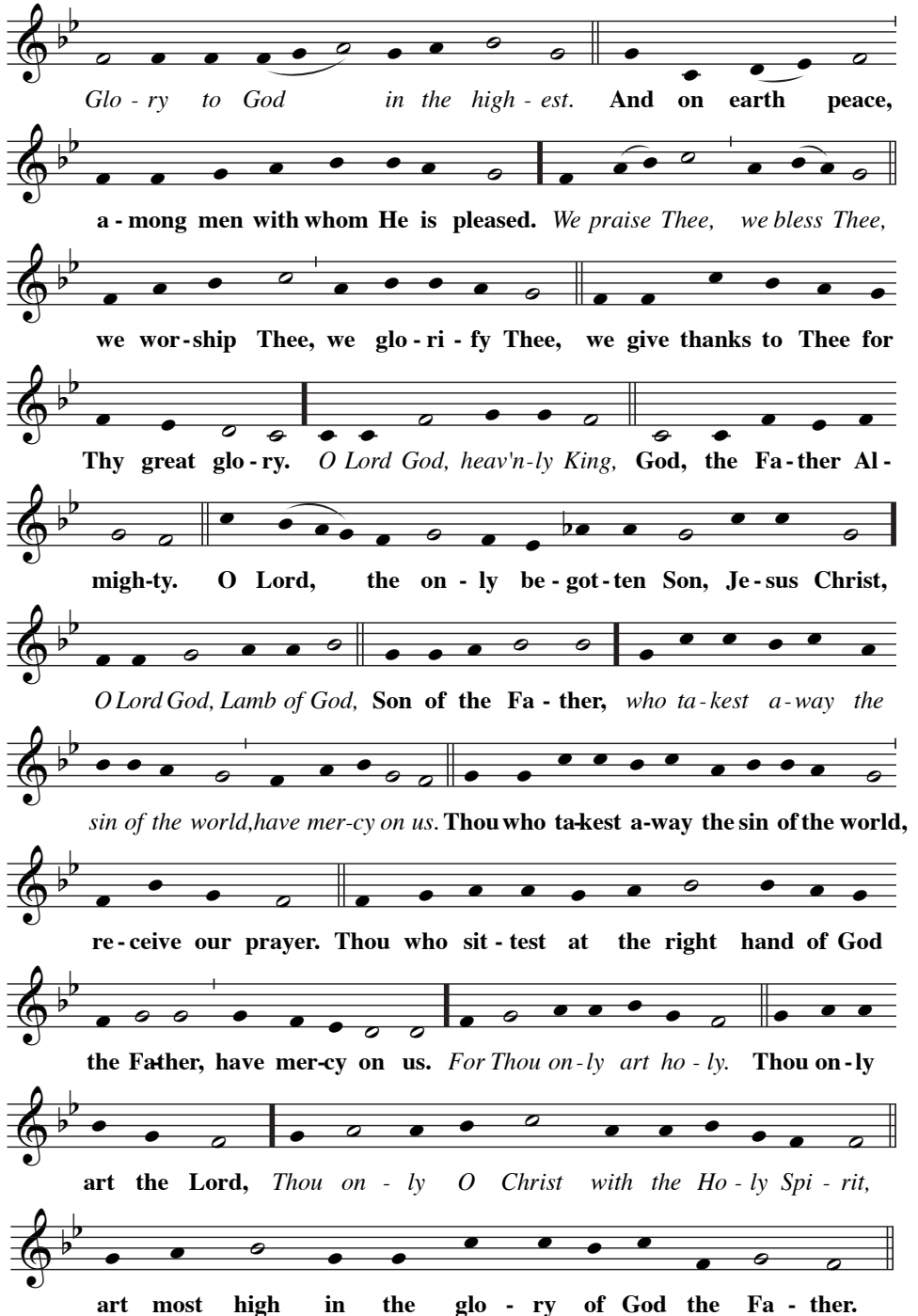


Ky - ri - e — e - lei-son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chri - ste — e - lei - son. Christ have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e — e - lei - son. Lord, — have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo - ry to God in the high - est. And on earth peace,

a - mong men with whom He is pleased. We praise Thee, we bless Thee,

we wor-ship Thee, we glo - ri - fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for

Thy great glo - ry. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God, the Fa - ther Al -

migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ,

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, who ta - kest a - way the

sin of the world, have mer - cy on us. Thou who takest a - way the sin of the world,

re - ceive our prayer. Thou who sit - test at the right hand of God

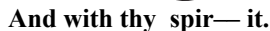
the Father, have mer - cy on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly. Thou on - ly

art the Lord, Thou on - ly O Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

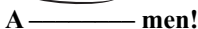
art most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.



The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Transfiguration of Our Lord: *O God, in the glorious Transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King of 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.*



+ The Office of the Word of God +

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

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Sequence Hymn Jesus on the Mountain Peak Burgundy Hymn 415

[*The Gospel is announced.*]



[*The Gospel is proclaimed.*]



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

[Bow] **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 worshipped 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!

[After the Gospel has been returned to the Altar following the Creed, the congregation is seated.]

Hymn of the Day Oh, Wondrous Type! Burgundy Hymn 413

[Rise for stanza 5.]

[Be Seated] **Sermon**

[Rise] **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: [After each petition]:..., Lord, in Your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

[After the final prayer]:..., one God, now and forever **Amen.**

[Be Seated] **Offerings, Voluntary**

[Rise] **Offertory Hymn Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a
right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy
pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re-store to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me
with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

And with thy spir - it. We lift them up un-to the Lord.

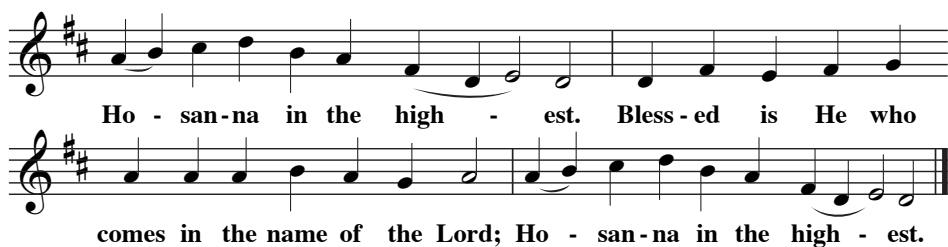
Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface for the Transfiguration, Sanctus

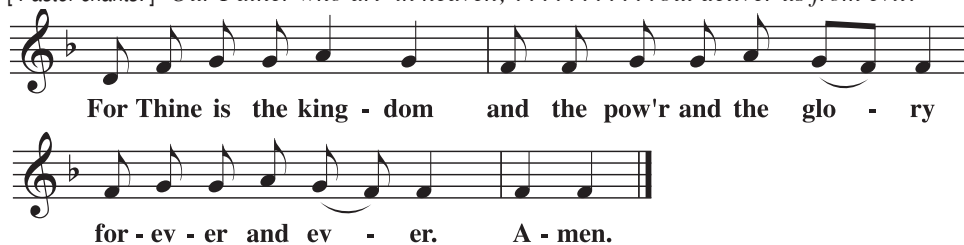
It is truly meet, right and salutary ever more praising You and saying:

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly, Lord God of hosts:
Heav - en and earth are full of Thy glo - ry;



[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

[Pastor chants:] *Our Father who art in heaven; but deliver us from evil.*

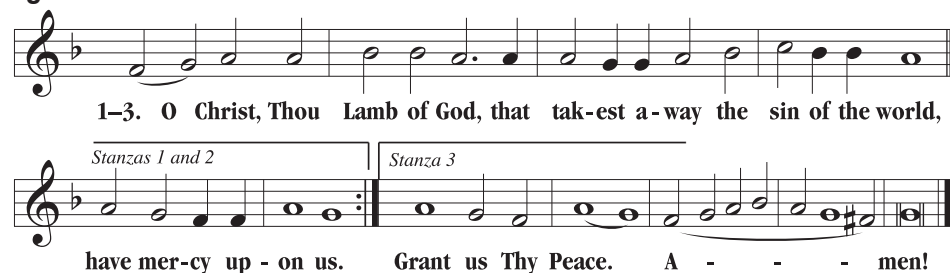


Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns O Morning Star Burgundy Hymn 395

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Women alone sing stanza 3; Men alone sing stanza 4; All sing stanzas 5 & 6.]

Swiftly Pass Burgundy Hymn 416

[Rise] Eucharistic Benediction

The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! Amen!

Post-Communion Canticle The Nunc Dimittis



1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy
servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord-ing to Thy Word.
2. For mine__ eyes have seen
Thy Salvation,
which Thou hast pre- pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people.



3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.

4. Glo— ry___ be to the
Father, and to___ the ___ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.

5. As it___ was in the
beginning, is
now, and e—ver shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Post Communion Rite

Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

And His mercy endureth for — ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.

A — men.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir — rit.

Bless we the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

A-men, A-men, A - men.

Putting Away of The “Alleluia” in Preparation for Lent

Alleluia!: Enclose and seal up the word. **Alleluia!**
Let it remain in the secret place of your heart. **Alleluia!**
Let it remain there until the appointed time. **Alleluia!**
You shall say it with great joy when that day comes! **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.

Recessional Hymn Alleluia, Song of Gladness Burgundy Hymn 417

Postlude

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This morning, at the close of the service, we prepare for Lent by participating in The Ambrosian Rite of Putting Away of The “Alleluia”, an observance, originating under the influence of St. Ambrose (340-397 A.D.), Bishop of Milan, which marks the end of the use of the “Alleluia” response in the Services until The Great Vigil of Easter on Holy Saturday night, Easter Eve.

Readings for the Transfiguration of Our Lord

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

The Old Testament Reading is Deuteronomy 34:1-12

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, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. 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.” So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, 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. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. 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.

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. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, 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, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

The Epistle is Hebrews 3:1-6

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God’s house. 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. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God’s house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, 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.

The Gospel is Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. 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. 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. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” 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.

Hymns for the Transfiguration of Our Lord

LSB414 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

James Montgomery

3. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy glory fills the night;
Thy face and garments, like the sun, Shine with unborrowed light.
4. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy beauty to behold
Where Moses and Elijah stand, Thy messengers of old.
5. Fulfiller of the past And hope of things to be,
We hail Thy body glorified And our redemption see.
6. Before we taste of death, We see Thy kingdom come;
We long to hold the vision bright And make this hill our home.
7. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not remain;
But since Thou bidst us leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

LSB415 Jesus on the Mountain Peak

Brian Wren

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1. Jesus on the mountain peak Stands alone in glory blazing;
Let us, if we dare to speak, Join the saints and angels praising.
Alleluia!
2. Trembling at zhis feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the prophets and the law Shout through them their joyful greeting:
Alleluia!
3. Swift the cloud of glory came: God proclaiming in its thunder
Jesus as the Son by name! Nations, cry aloud in wonder,
Alleluia!
4. This is God's beloved Son! Law and prophets sing before Him,
First and Last and only One. All creation shall adore him!
Alleluia!

LSB413 Oh, Wondrous Type!

Sarum Breviary, Salisbury

1. O wondrous type! O vision fair
Of glory that the Church may share,
Which Christ upon the mountain shows,
Where brighter than the sun He glows!

2. With Moses and Elijah nigh
The incarnate Lord holds converse high;
And from the cloud the Holy One
Bears record to the only Son.
 3. With shining face and bright array
Christ deigns to manifest today
What glory shall be theirs above
Who joy in God with perfect love.
 4. And faithful hearts are raised on high
By this great vision's mystery,
For which in joyful strains we raise
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
- Δ 5. O Father, with the eternal Son
And Holy Spirit ever one,
We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace
To see Thy glory face to face.

LSB395 O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

Philipp Nicolai

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1. O Morning Star, how fair and bright!
You shine with God's own truth and light,
Aglow with grace and mercy!
Of Jacob's race, King David's Son,
Our Lord and Master, You have won
Our hearts to serve You only!
Lowly, holy!
Great and glorious, all victorious. Rich in blessing!
Rule and might o'er all possessing!
2. Come, heav'nly Bridegroom, Light divine,
And deep within our hearts now shine;
There light a flame undying!
In Your one body let us be
As living branches of a tree,
Your life our lives supplying.
Now, though daily
Earth's deep sadness May perplex us And distress us,
Yet with heav'nly joy You bless us.

- W 3. Lord, when You look on us in love.
At once there falls from God above
A ray of purest pleasure.
Your Word and Spirit, flesh and blood
Refresh our souls with heav'nly food.
You are our dearest treasure!
Let Your mercy
Warm and cheer us! O draw near us! For You teach us
God's own love through You has reached us.
- M 4. Almighty Father, in Your Son
You loved us, when not yet begun
Was this old earth's foundation!
Your Son has ransomed us in love
To live in Him here and above:
This is Your great salvation.
Alleluia!
Christ the living, to us giving Life forever,
Keeps us Yours and fails us never!
5. O let the harps break forth in sound!
Our joy be all with music crowned,
Our voices gladly blending!
For Christ goes with us all the way—
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring out!
Jubilation! Exultation! Tell the story!
Great is He, the King of Glory!
6. What joy to know, when life is past,
The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus! Crown of gladness! We are yearning
For the day of Your returning!

LSB416 Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Thomas H. Troeger

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1. Swiftly pass the clouds of glory,
Heaven's voice, the dazzling light;
Moses and Elijah vanish;
Christ alone commands the height!
Peter, James, and John fall silent,
Turning from the summit's rise
Downward toward the shadowed valley
Where their Lord has fixed His eyes.
2. Glimpsed and gone the revelation,
They shall gain and keep its truth,
Not by building on the mountain
Any shrine or sacred booth,
But by following the Savior
Through the valley to the cross
And by testing faith's resilience
Through betrayal, pain, and loss.
3. Lord, transfigure our perception
With the purest light that shines,
And recast our life's intentions
To the shape of Your designs,
Till we seek no other glory
Than what lies past Calv'ry's hill
And our living and our dying
And our rising by Your will.

LSB417 Alleluia, Song of Gladness

Latin, c. 11th cent.

1. Alleluia, song of gladness, Voice of joy that cannot die;
Alleluia is the anthem Ever raised by choirs on high;
In the house of God abiding Thus they sing eternally.
2. Alleluia, thou resoundest, True Jerusalem and free;
Alleluia, joyful mother, All thy children sing with thee,
But by Babylon's sad waters Mourning exiles now are we.
3. Alleluia cannot always Be our song while here below;
Alleluia, our transgressions Make us for a while for-go;
For the solemn time is coming When our tears for sin must flow.

4. Therefore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, blessed Trinity,
At the last to keep Thine Easter With Thy faithful saints on high;
There to Thee for ever singing Alleluia joyfully.

The Transfiguration of our Lord



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The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is to be the body of Christ gathered at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana to:

- Receive Christ's gifts in baptism, preaching, teaching, and the Eucharist;
- Reach out to those who do not know the love of God in Christ;
- Reveal Christ's love for the world through acts of kindness and mercy toward all.

The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

Senior Pastor
Field Worker:

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)
Erik Saunders, Patrick Jackson

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Teachers:

Sheila Nehrenz, Principal (744-0459)
Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,
Danielle Ramsey, Merideth Tourney, 3rd vacant,
John Fink, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:
Church Office Manager:

Michael Hollman, MM
Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church and those experiencing persecution around the world
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers Erik Saunders and Patrick Jackson
- + For our nation; for our leaders, our military, including James Hall, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School (accreditation and call committees—especially for Ms. Amy Kurtz who has been called as principal), Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Bill Weinrich, Hailey & Aaleyah Horn, Jackie Schieferstein, Juanita Moore, Tyler Muehl, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Susan Kaiser, Kathy Vlot, Willodean Bates, Julie Ganaway, Paul Dolde, Walt Ostermeyer, Sherry Freeman, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo, Marianne Billings, Maurice King, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Loretta & Robert Manth
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Divine Service for the Transfiguration of Our Lord. The Cross Bowl and Altar Vases is given in loving memory of Loretta & Robert Manth by Jennifer Manth. Please complete an attendance/communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

February 27, 2021 thru March 5, 2022

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall
	10:30AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Assoc. Pastor Office
	10:30AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room
MON.	5:30 PM	CEA Board Meeting	CLHS Campus
TUES.	7:00 PM	Elders Council	Conference Room
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:45 PM	Lent Supper	Bauer Hall
	7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Service	Church
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

March 6, 2022

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service (LSUS K-5 Choir)	Church
	10:30AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall
	10:30AM	Sunday School (little ones)	
	10:30AM	Junior Catechesis	

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Dr. Voelz teaches the Gospel according to St. Mark in Bauer Hall. Junior Catechesis meets in the Conference Room; Sunday School meets in the Assoc. Pastor's office.

LENT BEGINS this coming Wednesday with an Ash Wednesday Divine Service at 7 PM. A Lent Supper will precede the Divine Service at 5:45 PM. Please come and prepare.

RETIREMENT PLANNING with Heidi Adair will be held March 13, during the Education Hour. More details forthcoming.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS are an easy way to support and strengthen Zion. Eligible Thrivent clients with membership can also recommend where Thrivent distributes some of its outreach funding by directing Choice Dollars® to any of the thousands of enrolled churches and nonprofit organizations, including Zion. Choice dollars expire in March

NEXT SUNDAY LSUS K-5 choir and families will be joining us. Let us welcome them with Zion hospitality.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE Psalm 37:23-24— "The steps of a man are established by the LORD, when he delights in his way; though he fall, he shall not cast headlong, for the LORD upholds his hand." Last week's verse was Colossians 1:15.

WOMEN'S RETREAT 2022 will be at Lutherhaven on March 25-27. Bring a friend and sign up today! Visit www.lutherhaven.org for more details and to register.

SIDEWALK ADVOCATE TRAINING: Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana Thursday, March 3rd from 9 am- 3 pm for Sidewalk Advocate Training and learn how to save lives. RLNI'S office is at 2126 Inwood Dr. There is no cost to participate. Lunch will be provided for those in attendance. Visit www.ichooselife.org/advocate or call 260-471-1849 to register.

DONATIONS ARE NEEDED: Hailey Horn (for whom we have been praying) is a LSUS 2nd grader and an identical twin. Because of an ear infection that spread to her brain, Hailey had emergency brain surgery that left her unable to move her left side and without a skull on her right side. She was put in a coma state to heal. She was moved to Riley Hospital where she spent a month in rehab learning to walk, talk, and use her left side again. Hailey returned to school a couple weeks ago wearing a helmet and using a cane, slowly getting back to her normal life. The expenses this family has incurred have been great. LSUS is requesting gifts of love to the family to help pay for these expenses. You can direct your gifts to Zion for this purpose, and we can forward them to the school on Hailey's behalf.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR is coming! Due to COVID restrictions, we will not have our usual Grandfriends Day during the book fair. Consider being a grand friend and donate money for books for our students! Watch for details!

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: *Please read this update if you want information on COVID. I'm not making oral comments regarding COVID unless some protocol needs changing.* A map that was almost all red two weeks ago is speckled with red, orange, yellow, and blue. What a change! That happened faster than expected because the state loosened some metrics. Allen County is in yellow now, advisory level orange. Numbers continue to plummet. The Seven-Day Positivity Rate is reported as 6.8% as of Feb. 16 and decreasing. The Weekly Cases per 100,000 Residents is now close to 100 and decreasing. Omicron has accounted for 99.4% of the samples for the past month; Delta only 0.6%. Omicron continues to out-compete Delta, and Omicron is petering out. District 3 hospitalizations and ICU bed usage due to COVID are way down. Average deaths due to COVID are down to 1, hopefully headed to zero. Breakthrough COVID cases are 8.961%, 0.105%, and 0.056%, respectively, for infections, hospitalizations, and deaths, though I don't put much stock in the breakthrough infections number. Vaccinations do not completely stop infections, but they have helped reduce symptoms and hospitalizations. Mild infections probably mean less testing. Visit www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine/ for your eligibility and to schedule your vaccine or booster.

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Morning Prayer

Luke 9:28-36

John 9:24-41

John 10:22-42

Mark 1:1-13

Mark 1:14-28

Mark 1:29-45

Mark 2:1-17

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Transfiguration of our Lord

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Job 31:1-12, 33-40

Job 33:1-18

Genesis 1:1-19

Genesis 1:20-2:3

Genesis 2:4-25

Genesis 3:1-24

THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

[Daily] **O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.** Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Daniel, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily]

The Our Father

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The First Sunday in Lent

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Moses, the Law, and Christ

The three apostles who saw Moses and Elijah on Mount Tabor were not afraid of them, because of the tender glory in the face of Christ [Luke 9:32]. Yet in Exodus 34[:29–35], where Christ was not present, the children of Israel could not endure the splendor and brightness in the face of Moses, so that he had to put a veil over it.

For the law has three kinds of pupils. The first are those who hear the law and despise it, and who lead an impious life without fear. To these the law does not come. They are represented by the calf worshipers in the wilderness, on whose account Moses broke the tables of the law [Exod. 32:19]. ...

The second kind are those who attempt to fulfil the law by their own power, without grace. They are represented by the people who could not look at the face of Moses when he brought the tables of the law a second time [Exod. 34:34–35]. The law comes to them but they cannot endure it. They therefore put a veil over it and lead a life of hypocrisy, doing outward works of the law. Yet the law makes it all to be sin where the veil is taken off. For the law shows that our ability counts for nothing without Christ's grace.

The third kind of pupils are those who see Moses clearly, without a veil. These are they who understand the intention of the law and how it demands impossible things. There sin comes to power, there death is mighty, there ... all the children of Israel flee before him unless the one and only David—Christ our Lord—saves us from all this.... For if Christ's glory did not come alongside this splendor of Moses, no one could bear the brightness of the law, the terror of sin and death. These pupils fall away from all works and presumption and learn from the law nothing else except to recognize sin and to yearn for Christ. This is the true office of Moses and the very nature of the law.

Luther's Works, 35:245-6.

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!

Please pray for these students/staff:

Alonte Cobbins

Ayden Girton

Max Love

Van Thang

Aveyah Coker

Camarion Henry

Naomi Sims

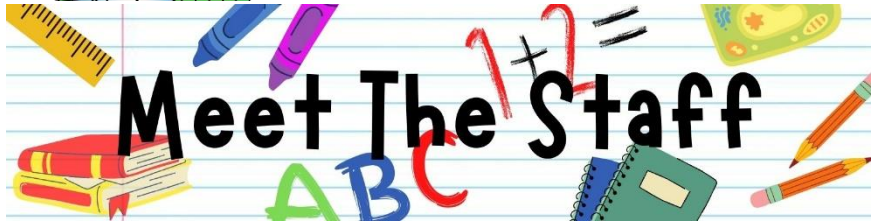
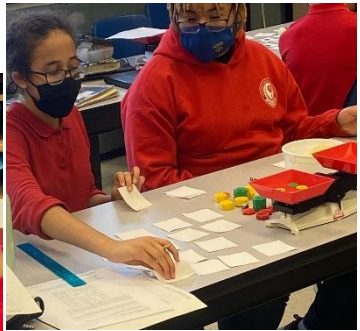
Malachi Foster

Curtis Bland



We have fun in Science
"PERIODICally"!

8th graders
organizing
items to form a
Periodic table.
They really
were in their
"element"!



Lutheran South Unity School's eighth grade homeroom teacher is **Yvonne Schwantz**. She also teaches English/Language Arts for grades sixth, seventh, and eighth. Her church membership is at Concordia Lutheran Church.

Before starting her teaching career, she graduated from Concordia University, Chicago, and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in secondary education. She has been teaching thirty-two years. Her teaching career has led her from Houston, St. Louis, Lafayette (as principal), Wyneken, substituting at all FWCS High Schools and most middle schools.

Mrs. Schwantz has been married for twenty-nine years. She is the mother of four children who are 26, 23, 20, and 18. Also, she is the grandmother of two children ages 4 and 3. Finally she is a dog mom to Brutus who is a seventy-pound Boxer and Forest who is a Boxer/Sharpei mix. When Mrs. Schwantz is not grading English papers, she loves creating various crafts.

Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things Love never ends.— So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.—1 Corinthians 13: 4-8a; 13

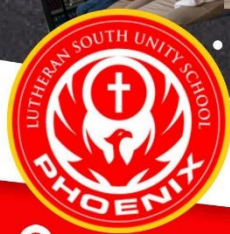
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and concludes with worship at 5:00 p.m.
Banquet begins at 6:00 p.m.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

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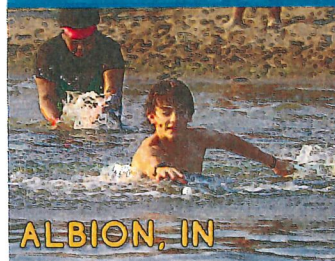
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