



Sunday, February 15, 2026
Transfiguration of Our Lord

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HOLY COMMUNION

Setting Four

*Regular font: Worship Leader; **Bold font: Congregation***

Time for Meditation and Personal Prayer

Prelude

WELCOME

GATHERING

Please stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being,
the Wind stirring the waters. **Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Mighty God, lover of justice,
**you call us to life in community,
but we have served our own interests
at the expense of our neighbors.
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.
We say the right words,
but our hearts are far from you.
Turn us to seek your face.
Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,
that we may do justice, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

The former things have passed away,
and new things God now declares:
Like a spring of water that never fails,
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,
and forgives your sin in + Jesus' name.
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,
and bless you with the gift of peace. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN “Christ, Be Our Light”

ELW 715

GREETING

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

And also with you.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

Please be seated

FIRST READING

Exodus 24:12-18

¹² The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. ¹⁴ To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING **2 Peter 1:16-21**

¹⁶ We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, ²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL READING **Matthew 17:1-9**

The holy gospel according to Matthew the 17th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” ⁸ And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell

no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor Sara Stall-Ryan

One Minute of Silence is kept for reflection.

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY “How Good, Lord, to Be Here!” **ELW 315**

APOSTLES’ CREED

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As God’s beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

Revealing God, your Spirit sustains the church. Strengthen the faithful with the revelation of Christ transfigured, that we may joyfully follow him in the way of the cross. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Life-giving God, creation is full of your majesty. Nurture in us a deep respect for the interdependence of all life, and make us wise and vigilant stewards of your good earth. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Peacemaking God, the nations are in turmoil. We pray for an end to violent conflict (regions at war may be named). Give wisdom to negotiators and sanctuary to refugees. Defend any who are in danger. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Healing God, you desire wholeness for all people. Bring healing to any who are experiencing illness, chronic pain, or mental anguish. Comfort the dying and those who grieve (especially). Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Holy God, in our worship we glimpse your glory, hear your voice, and receive assurance of your love. Inspire all who prepare, lead,

and participate in worship to serve you with reverence and joy.
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Transforming God, you bring life from death. We give thanks for the witness of those who have died in faith, and we praise you for the hope we have in Christ, our Morning Star. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

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MEAL

Please be seated

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN

Please Stand

OFFERING PRAYER

God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.
Use what we have gathered
to feed us with the reign of God come near,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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It is indeed right...

SANCTUS

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Please kneel or sit

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (*Sung to the tune of ELW 812, played 4 times*)
"Our Father, God in Heaven Above"

- 1 Our Father, God in heav'n above, we pray united in your love:
Your name be hallowed. Help us, Lord, in faithfulness to keep your word.
Your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as there before your throne.
- 2 Give us today our daily bread; let every one be clothed and fed.
Forgive our sins, as we forgive when others hurt us as we live.
Help us to dwell in harmony and serve each other willingly.
- 3 In time of trial, rescue us. Let your word give success to us when,
on our left and on our right, temptations challenge us to fight.
Deliver us from evil's pow'r and comfort us in life's last hour.
- 4 Amen. Yes, yes, it shall be so! Build up our faith and make it grow;
beset by doubt, help us believe what here we ask we shall receive.
So, by your promise, in your name, with loud Amen your Yes we claim!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
Come to the table; taste and see.

Please be seated

LAMB OF GOD

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Please kneel or sit

COMMUNION HYMNS

"I Come With Joy"

ELW 482

"I Want to Walk As a Child Of The Light"

ELW 815

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Radiant God,
we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

In the sacrament of his body and blood
you have drawn us to your heart.
Send us from this table with delight,
that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,
and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

May the triune God,
who has put a new song in your mouth
and tuned your heart for praise
+ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN "Beautiful Savior" **ELW 838**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude:



Lenten Series with **Bishop Pipo** on the ELCA's Faith and Civic Life Social Statement (Thursdays in Lent--2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19-- at 7PM)
Please join us for this online discussion on Thursdays in Lent. Amidst the turmoil we experience in our society today, the guidance of this social statement is all the more important for how Christians (and Lutheran Christians!) engage the world in faith. You can register for the program here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeZZm9Yk45Fx-iQfDcIzCrr_P7a7X0EVUFvttPR-CwcERrYDg/viewform

To register without having to type in all these letters and numbers, see Zion Happenings (the email newsletter that Michelle sends) where you will be able to click a link.

Prayer List

For Health:	Jessica A	Charline C	Family of
Joyce G	Charlotte D	Alexis R	Fran C
Bill B	Jonathan A	Malynda A	
Cathy L	Pauline N	Family of	For Safety:
Marion B	Curt R	Harry W	Andrew C
Lily V	Matthew S	Annamaria T	Todd S
Holly N	Joan A	Brenda B	Michael C
Dylan G	Diane E	Lee T	Tyler G
Lisa A	Dick C	Judi E	Erik B
Aiden J	Karen R	Liam S	Justin Earl B
Helen A	Stacey T	Jamie S-R	Evan G
Matthew A	Pat J	Don R	David P
Bud J	Lois B	Family of	
Marjorie F	Loee M	Bob L	

SERVING TODAY

Sylvia LeShane - Lector
 Jay Huntington - Worship Assistant
 Donna Berndtson, Rick Borg, - Ushers/Greeters
 Donna Marlow - Altar Guild
 Sarah Dzialo - Organist



Anyone interested in volunteering for Coffee
 Hour you can sign up for a Sunday on the sign
 up sheet in the narthex. It doesn't have to be
 anything fancy, just a simple snack to share for a
 time of fellowship after the church service. See
 Sandy Chiasson for details.



The **Word in Season Daily Devotions for January, February and March** are available in the Narthex and the Red Box outside the door with the doorbell.

Lenten Calendar



On **Wednesdays during Lent** we begin The Soup and Substance program together with Bethlehem Lutheran Church in East Hampton at **6:00 p.m.**

Dates are:

February 25 at Zion

March 4 at Bethlehem

March 11 at Zion

March 18 at Bethlehem

March 25 at Zion



Alms Giving

Through alms giving, we also can draw closer to God during Lent. Being charitable to others helps us look beyond ourselves. By helping those in need, we are acting in faith and giving freely of our love, as the Lord does with us.

Beginning February 22, we will be collecting items for the Portland Food Bank on the following schedule:

February 22 - Shampoo, Conditioner

March 1 - Soap, Bodywash

March 8 - Paper goods - Toilet paper, paper towels, tissues,
napkins

March 15 - Toothpaste, toothbrushes mouthwash, dental floss

March 22 - Deodorant, feminine products

March 29 - shaving cream, hand lotion, body lotion

Please place items in the shopping cart in the Narthex.



Make sure to use a **Goodwill Good Neighbor Donation Card** whenever you donate to Goodwill. See Donna Berndtson for the donation cards and details.

Join us for Adult Bible Study - Feb 22nd

We are excited to dive into Season 5 of The Chosen! We will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in the lounge after worship.

Please join us on February 22 as we explore Season 5, Episode 1. You can watch Season 5, Episode 1 here:

<https://watch.thechosen.tv/video/184683621777>

The study guide can be ordered on Amazon.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Sara or reply to this email



Emergency Closings due to weather will be announced on the following channels:
**Channel 3 , Channel 30, Channel 61,
Channel 8**



Please Recycle Ink and Toner Cartridges Here.

There is a container to leave your used ink and toner cartridges for us to recycle.



RaiseRight

RaiseRight Gift Cards

Place your order today to get RaiseRight (formerly Scrip) cards! You pay face value for the cards, but Zion receives a percentage of the amount of the card. It's a win-win! See Rick Borg for details.

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9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion

10:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Sumud

11:30 a.m. True Vine Church

This Week:

Monday: Presidents' Day - No School/Office Closed

1:00 p.m. Grace Guild

6:00 p.m. N/A

Tuesday: **9:30 a.m.** Happy Handz

7:00 p.m. Council

Wednesday: **6:00 p.m.** Ash Wednesday Service

Friday: **7:00 p.m.** N/A

Saturday: **12:00 Noon** Funeral

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2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

Attendance: Last Sunday - 46; Last year - 0 (Snow)

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9:00 a.m. Worship

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