



# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**FEBRUARY 15TH, 2026 + TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (\*please rise in body and/or spirit)

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.**

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

**"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"(vss 1-3)**

**#834**

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always. **And also with you."**

## KYRIE

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## HYMN OF PRAISE

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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.**

## SCOUT SUNDAY RECOGNITION

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### **FIRST READING: Exodus 24:12-18**

*At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The “glory of the LORD” settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.*

<sup>12</sup> 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.” <sup>13</sup> So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup> 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.” <sup>15</sup> Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

### **PSALM: Psalm 2:1-12 (read responsively)**

<sup>1</sup> Why are the nations in an uproar? Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?  
<sup>2</sup> **Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, against the LORD and against the LORD’s anointed?**  
<sup>3</sup> “Let us break their yoke,” they say; “let us cast off their bonds from us.”  
<sup>4</sup> **God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the LORD holds them in derision.**  
<sup>5</sup> Then in wrath God speaks to them, and in rage fills them with terror.  
<sup>6</sup> **“As for me, I have anointed my king upon Zion, my holy mountain.”**  
<sup>7</sup> Let me announce the decree of the LORD, who said to me, “You are my son; this day have I begotten you.  
<sup>8</sup> **Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.**  
<sup>9</sup> You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”  
<sup>10</sup> **And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.**  
<sup>11</sup> Submit to the LORD with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;  
<sup>12</sup> **lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath. Happy are all who take refuge in God!**

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

*At the transfiguration, God’s voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God’s voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.*

<sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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.” <sup>18</sup> We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup> 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. <sup>20</sup> First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, <sup>21</sup> because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (\*please rise in body and/or spirit)**

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***Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.***

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter...**Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

*Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.*

<sup>1</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. <sup>3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup> 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." <sup>5</sup> 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!" <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup> And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>9</sup> 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."

This is the gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**HYMN**

**"How Good, Lord, to Be Here"**

**#315**

**THANKSGIVING FOR OFFERING**

*(offering plates are located on the table at the back of the sanctuary. The offering plates are brought forward during the singing of our offering hymn.)*

**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.**

**OFFERING HYMN**

**"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" (vs 1)**

**#678**

**APOSTLES CREED (\*please rise in body and/or spirit)**

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**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**HOLY COMMUNION (Sung)**

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD'S PRAYER

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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 HYMNS

"Lamb of God"

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*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.*

"For the Fruit of All Creation" #679

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" #708

## DISTRIBUTION

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER (\*please rise in body and/or spirit)

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.**

### 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.**

### HYMN:

"On Our Way Rejoicing"

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### SENDING

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Go in peace. Do justice. Love Mercy

**Thanks be to God.**

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**GIVE ONLINE**

**We, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, welcome all to share Christ's love, grow in faith, and to live a life of service glorifying God.**

**Today's Radio Broadcast** is not sponsored. Please contact Ann in the office if you would like to help with this important outreach ministry. There are currently many Sundays open to sponsor. If you have a special Sunday in mind, please reserve it as soon as possible to ensure it is available. The cost to sponsor each Sunday broadcast is \$100.

**Scout Sunday:** Today, we recognize Scouts (those in Scouting America or Girl Scouts) and adult leaders in worship. We give thanks to God for these young people and those who support them as they grow in faith, care for person health, service to other, and civic participation.

**First Communion Milestone:** Pr. Jared will be leading a First Communion Milestone for those who would like to begin receiving communion. There are two sessions, Instruction on Sunday, March 29 from 11am-12pm and Bread Baking on Wednesday, April 1 from 6-7:30pm. Parents are encouraged to participate with their children. Families with participants will receive their First Communion on Maundy Thursday, April 2 at the 6:30pm worship service. RSVP appreciated to the church office.

**Could you spare some time on Fridays to help with the Senior Lunch Program?** Dessert—cookies, bars, brownies etc. for 90 are also needed. There is a sign-up sheet on the Information Counter. A thank you for your help is a free lunch that day! \*11:45-1:30. Help as needed and Kitchen clean up \*Providing treats (Please indicate how many)

**The Missionary Calendar for 2026 has been posted.** Be sure to stop by and sponsor a special day. The cost to sponsor each day is \$25.

**Burning of the Palms** in preparation for Ash Wednesday will be at 3:30 on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. Meet in the Gathering Room to determine the best outdoor location complete the process.

**Epworth United Methodist Men's French Toast Brunch** will be held Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Proceeds will be used to support Epworth's Youth Ministries. See posters around the church for details.

**Good Samaritans Quilters are always looking for used sheets and fabric:** the quilters are asking, as you clean closets and downsize, to keep them in mind. They are looking for used sheets (no white, please) and fabric (cotton preferred). If you have questions, please contact Ann in the office or Carol Foth.

**Jamestown Area Grief Support Team is offering a Grief Support Group.** The group will meet once a week on Thursdays at 5:30 pm at

the First Assembly of God Church, 1720 8<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Jamestown, beginning March 12<sup>th</sup> and will run for six weeks. Anyone who has experience the death of someone important to them is encouraged to attend, whether the loss was recent or in years past. The group is free of charge, but registration is required to ensure that enough materials are available. Participants should plan to attend all six sessions. For more information or to register, call Tamra at 701-368-8471 or Maren at 701-269-2676.

**Confirmation Students:** You should attend the Ash Wednesday worship service at 6:30 and meet afterwards with Kyla in the Youth Room until 8:00.

**Community Closet** will be open Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 5 pm to 7 pm. Volunteers are needed to help set up on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 6 pm to 8 pm and also to help that Monday.

### **HELPERS NEEDED**

**Ann needs to take a week off, February 20<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup>, for a family member's medical procedure. Please contact the office if you are able to answer phones and be a presence in the building from 9am to 1pm on those days.**

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

**We're continuing a practice at Our Savior's to be mindful of our prayer for one another.** Each week, staff will be praying for, and congregation members are encouraged to pray for families of the congregation, by name. This week we pray for the Matt & Lacie Maresh, Jack & Liz Marthaler, Tyler & Kayleen Marthaler, Jeff Matson and Mark Matson families. *"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone" 1 Timothy 2:1*

### **A look ahead at the week of February 15<sup>th</sup> to February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026.**

TODAY:        9:00 am | Worship with Guest Pastor, Kerry Boese  
                  9:00 am | Facebook Worship Livestream  
                  10:15 am | NO SUNDAY SCHOOL  
                  11:00 am | KOVC 1490 AM/96.3 FM Radio Broadcast

MON:           6:30 pm | PEO

TUES:          9:00 am | Quilters  
                  12:30 am | Staff Meeting  
                  1:30 pm | Text Study  
                  3:30 pm | Burning of the Palms

WEDS:        9:30 am | Bible Study  
                  6:30 pm | Ash Wednesday Worship Service  
                  8:00 pm | Sr High Youth Group

FRI:            12:00 pm | Sr High Lunch

SAT:            7:30 am | Men's Bible Fellowship

SUN (2/22):   9:00 am | Worship  
                  9:00 am | Facebook Worship Livestream  
                  10:15 am | Coffee & Fellowship  
                  10:15 am | Sunday School  
                  11:00 am | KOVC 1490 AM/96.3 F Radio Broadcast  
                  1:00 pm | Youth Event in Youth Room