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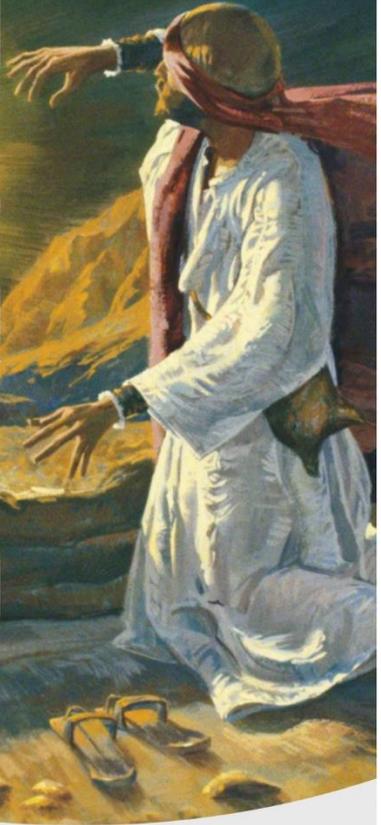
Transfiguration

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THE PLACE
ON WHICH
YOU ARE
STANDING
IS HOLY
GROUND



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¹ I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; ² I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. ³ On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased. ⁴ All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth, ⁵ and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD. ⁶ For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar. ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me. ⁸ The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

✠ **Order of Divine Worship** ✠

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: TLH #250

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C ♪ A - - - men.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P 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. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C ♪ **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C ♪ **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission**

of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C ♪ A - - - men.

INTROIT

Ps. 84:1-2a, 4, 10-11; Ps 77:18b

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

P Your lightnings lighted up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

C How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD.

P Blessed are those who dwell in Your house, ever singing Your praise!

C For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

P For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

C Your lightnings lighted up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory be to the Father"

The musical score for the Gloria Patri is presented in four systems. The first system shows the vocal line in treble clef and the piano accompaniment in bass clef. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The third system shows the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The fourth system shows the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

VERSE OF THE DAY*Ps. 96:2-3*

Alleluia. Sing to the LORD; tell of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples! Alleluia.

THE KYRIE*Latin for "O Lord"*

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST*TLH #237:1*

- C** All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended. God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!
- P** Let us pray. ... and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** A - - - men.

EPISTLE READING – 2 Peter 1:12, 16-21 Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. ¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," ¹⁸ we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹ And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰ knowing this first of all, that

no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

GOSPEL READING – Matthew 17:1-9 And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, 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 white as light. ³ And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁵ He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." ⁸ And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. ⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles.

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN: Back of Bulletin

"Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

SERMON – Exodus 3:1-6 Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of

the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³ And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴ When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

How to Identify “Holy Ground”

- I. God reveals Himself
- II. A Departure, not an Arrival
- III. Sinners are Sanctified

OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

- C**  Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

HYMN: TLH #215

“Draw Us to Thee”

- OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS -

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

OFFERING HYMN: TLH #568:1

“We Praise Thee, O God”

- C**  We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;
We lay it before Thee, We kneel and adore Thee,
We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER, and BENEDICTION

- P** 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 His peace.

- C**  Amen, amen, a – men.

CLOSING HYMN: TLH #135

“’Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here”

✝ Announcements ✝

School Open House is being planned for this Saturday, February 16, from 10 am to 2 pm. The Lord has blessed us with a Christian Day School for the past 60 years, and it has served the congregation well as our main form of outreach into the

community. Through the school, hundreds of children have first heard of their Savior, and many families have joined our congregation through the school. We are seeking to bring awareness of the school to the community, and we are going to need all hands on deck this weekend. If you are able, *please* volunteer to help out this Saturday. **If you are able, ask Neil how you might be able to help.** Thank you! We hope to see you!

Looking Ahead...

- ✝ **Feb. 10:** Orlando Service 8 am
- ✝ **Feb. 16:** School Open House
10 am - 2 pm
- ✝ **Feb. 17:** Elders Meeting
- ✝ **Feb. 18:** No School (Pres. Day)

Shut-in/Encouragement List **Betty Sweet** is now living at the memory care facility at Spring Haven. **Emily Kuehne** suffers from total blindness and severe knee pain when standing or walking. **Patti Meno** continues to receive treatment for her kidney condition and is awaiting a transplant. **Ray Seger** remains shut-in. **Bill Issitt III** remains mostly housebound while recovering from several health problems. **Richard Cook** is dealing with general unsteadiness. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound, being no longer able to drive. **Sharon Brown** is recovering at home from a bout with pneumonia. **Crystal Shaw** has many blood clots in her heart, lungs, and legs, and is receiving treatment to prevent a heart attack. **Bill Hartmann's** health is deteriorating. Please keep Bill and Liz in your prayers. **David Kleinschmidt** recently had an operation on his heart, please pray that the Lord would grant him healing.

Last Week (2/3) WH – 56

General = \$2763 | Missions = \$100 | Tuition = \$350

Property Improvement = \$110 | Building = \$40 | Tuition Aid = \$60

Total Offering = \$3,423

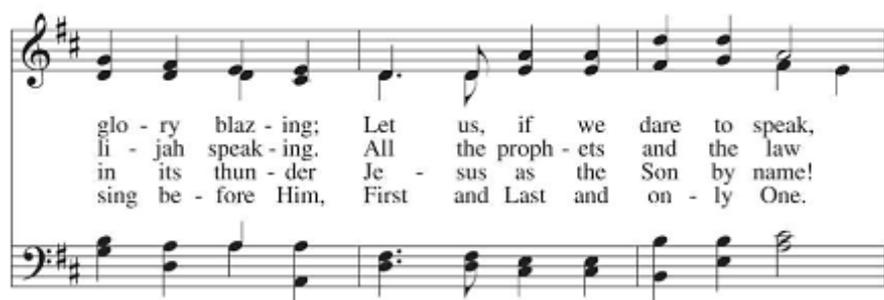
Feb. Usher: Ireland | **Acolyte (2/17):** Mason K.

| **Cleaner (2/16):** Rodebaugh

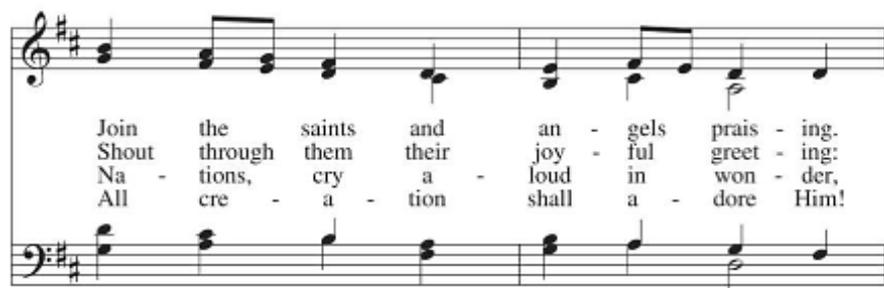
“Jesus On the Mountain Peak”



1 Je - sus on the moun-tain peak Stands a - lone in
2 Trem - bling at His feet we saw Mo - ses and E -
3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came: God pro - claim - ing
4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and proph - ets



glo - ry blaz - ing; Let us, if we dare to speak,
li - jah speak - ing. All the proph - ets and the law
in its thun - der Je - sus as the Son by name!
sing be - fore Him, First and Last and on - ly One.



Join the saints and an - gels prais - ing.
Shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing:
Na - tions, cry a - loud in won - der,
All cre - a - tion shall a - dore Him!



Al - le - lu - ia!