Sunday, February 27, 2022 Transfiguration of Our Lord

WELCOME to Emanuel's Lutheran Church! It is our joy to have you worship with us today.



PRELUDE

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"

J.S. Bach

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- C: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.
- P: Rejoice in this good news: In → Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C: Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

ELW 318

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW p. 101





PRAYER OF THE DAY

ELW p.102

AM: Let us pray together.

C: Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

L: A reading from Exodus.

²⁹Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke

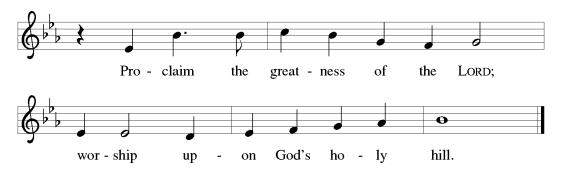
with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 99

The congregation is invited to sing the bold verses and the refrain.



¹The LORD is king; let the [|] people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let ¹ the earth shake.

²The LORD, | great in Zion, is high a- | bove all peoples.

³Let them confess God's name, which is ¹ great and awesome; God is the ¹ Holy One.

⁴O mighty king, lover of justice, you have es- | tablished equity; you have executed justice and righteous- | ness in Jacob. R

⁵Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down be- ¹ fore God's footstool; God is the ¹ Holy One.

 $^6\mbox{Moses}$ and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your $^{\rm I}$ name, O Lord,

they called upon you, and you | answered them,

⁷you spoke to them out of the pil- ¹ lar of cloud;

they kept your testimonies and the decree ¹ that you gave them.

⁸O LORD our God, you answered | them indeed;

you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their | evil deeds.

⁹Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's ¹ holy hill; for the LORD our God is the ¹ Holy One. **R**

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12--4:2

L: A reading from 2 Corinthians.

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. ^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a] P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. 34While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. 35Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. [37On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." 41 Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." 42While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. 43aAnd all were astounded at the greatness of God.1

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor John Van Deusen

HYMN OF THE DAY "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" ELW 815

APOSTLE'S CREED ELW p. 105

AM: Let us confess the faith of the church, using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

AM: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made. Transform us by your greatness, O God. Send us down the mountain to share joy with all people. Make us agents of change, confident that your hope will vanquish despair and your goodness will conquer evil.

Response to each petition: AM: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.

AM: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

PEACE ELW p.106

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING HYMN "In Thee Is Gladness" ELW 867

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING INFORMATION For online giving: https://tinyurl.com/emanuelsgiving

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OFFERING PRAYER ELW p.107

AM: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p.107

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord

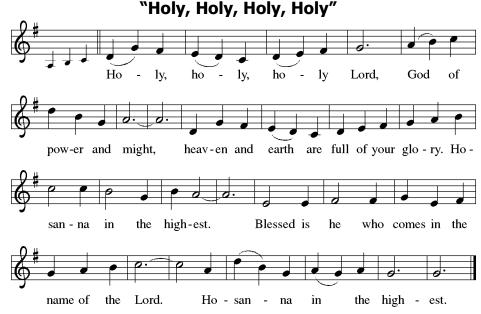
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE ELW p.108

SANCTUS

ELW p.108



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

ELW p.108

LORD'S PRAYER ELW p.112

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

ELW p.112

P: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

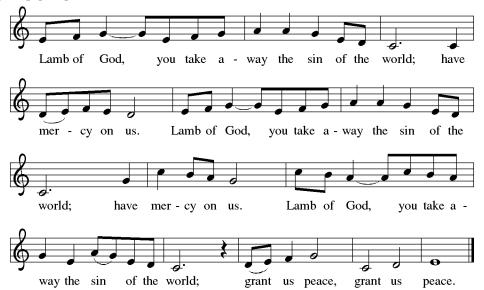
COMMUNION ELW p.112

Communion will take place via continuous line. We welcome all baptized persons to the Lord's Table who believe Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. Children are also welcomed to be brought forward to receive a blessing. Participants will be offered a wafer and invited to eat with these words, "the body of Christ given for you." If you would like a gluten free wafer, please ask the pastor or communion assistant for one. They will present you with a plate where you may retrieve

the wafer. Each will then step to the silver tray that contains glasses of white grape juice at the center and outer empty glasses. Please take an empty cup if you prefer wine. Lastly, participants will step the last assistant who will pour the wine and share these words, "the blood of Christ shed for you." Place your glass in the small silver bowl at the end of the first pew as you return to your seat. If you wish to come forward and not receive either element, cross your arms for a blessing.

COMMUNION SONG

ELW p.112



COMMUNION HYMN

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

ELW 631

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"The Only Son From Heaven"

J.S. Bach arr. K. Lee Scott

TABLE BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ELW p.114

AM: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING ELW p.114

P: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, \pm bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **C: Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN "Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

ELW 317

DISMISSAL ELW p.164

P: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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SANCTUARY FLOWERS and **RADIO BROADCASTS** are sponsored by Emanuel's members. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one in this way, please call the church office, or sign up on the calendar in the office. Thanks to all who participate in this memorable ministry.

MUSICIANS TODAY: Jubilation Singers; Chris Teague, guitar

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY, February 27, 2022: Preaching: Pastor John; Presiding: Pastor Kelsie; Assisting Minister: Karen Weinstein; Communion Assistants: Bev Seidenschwarz, Elizabeth Jandt, Keith Vinyard, Fran Vinyard; Acolytes; Liam Teague, Cason Ullrich; Crucifer: Haley Benavides; Reader: Nancy Meier; Ushers: Tim Troell, Joe Kane, Deborah Almquist, Bev Seidenschwarz; Altar Guild: Cathy Anderson, Elizabeth Jandt; AV/Tech: Walter Seidenschwarz Council Greeter: Gwyneth Tallier; Hospitality: Deborah Almquist, Gerry Harrison, Carolyn Blumberg.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAY, March 6, 2022: Preaching: Pastor Kelsie; Presiding: Pastor Marcus; Assisting Minister: Wayne Stalsworth; Communion Assistants: Carrie Moseley, Jeannie Hall, Earlene Jarzombek, Jeanne Palmer; Acolyte: Gavin Harrison; Reader: Deb Haug; Ushers: Allan Bode, Bill Meier, Ron Schneider; Altar Guild: Elizabeth Jandt, Jeanne Palmer, Marsha Schroeder; AV/Tech: Matt Clardy; Council Greeter: Keith Vinyard; Hospitality: Nancy Meier, Bill Meier, Fran Vinyard, Keith Vinyard.

EMANUEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP is in-person, online via YouTube and our website, and aired on KWED AM 1580 radio at 10:30 a.m.

COVID-19 SAFETY UPDATE: MASKS must be worn by EVERYONE in the church building. The Congregation Council approved the following at their January meeting. Both vaccinated and unvaccinated persons are to wear masks, covering noses and mouths, while on the church campus. This includes moving through the hallways, elevator, while in the office, etc. Please continue to maintain 6-foot distancing practices. These guidelines apply to all ministry groups, rentals, tenants, staff, congregants, and visitors until further notice. Please refer to the entire *2022 Emanuel's Covid-19 Policy* on our website.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Ignite! KIDS (First Floor): Gather in the IGNITE! KIDS room in the 1st Floor Green Classroom at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday Mornings for song and Bible stories. Age groups will transition to different rooms following the gathering time then return to families in worship for Communion.

TEACHERS NEEDED. Sign up on our Weekly E-News!

The Heritage Class (307): Augsburg Fortress Quarterly Adult Bible Study led by various class members during the winter quarter. Winter study is *Justice, Law, History.* 9:15 a.m.

Pastor Marcus' Class: (Family Life Center): "A Study of Martin Luther, the Reformation, and the Theology that Created Change." 9:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY STUDIES

- **Faith Circle** (Women's Ministry Room): Third Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m.
- **Joy Circle** (Women's Ministry Room): Second Thursday at 9:30 a.m.
- Ladies Aid (Women's Ministry Room): First Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS from the pen of the Mission Interpreter. There are things Christians do in church on an annual basis that must seem downright odd to outsiders. Ash Wednesday may win the grand prize for distinctive strangeness. A pastor comes at you with a glob of ash and pronounces these words: "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return." How did this come to be? Read vol 2, issue 8 of Sharing the Good News in our Weekly E-News or a narthex copy.

MINISTRY TEAM MEETING NIGHT is **Monday, Feb 28**th at 6:30 p.m. in the Women's Ministry Room. Everyone is invited to come talk about upcoming projects with Congregational Care, Education, Outreach & Service, Stewardship, and Worship at Emanuel's. Please join us!

HEALING THROUGH CONVERSATION is a support group for those who have lost a loved one to death meeting next on **Thursday, March 3** at 11am in the Family Life Center.

FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP gathers next on **Sunday, March 6** at Noon in the Women's Ministry Room. This ministry is for widowed, divorced, and separated people. Please bring a dish to share!

GARDEN WORKDAY WITH TLU is **Saturday, March 5** from 8-Noon. TLU's annual spring day of service, Day of the Dogs, is a great opportunity for students to get out in the community and give back their time, energy, and talents to support community needs. You are invited to join the students as they work at the Garden of Eatin', Emanuel's community garden. Work will include tearing down the winter garden and building the spring and summer garden.

CPR & AED CERTIFICATION CLASS will be hosted on **Saturday, March 26th** from 8:30am to 12:30pm in the Family Life Center. Please RSVP by March 15th to Donna Simmons at 830-379-5046 with questions or to register. There is a \$50 fee per person with some financial assistance available.

SUMMER CAMP 2022! This year, we're taking our youth to camp the week of **June 19-24**, **2022.** Please contact Pastor Kelsie for more details and information on how to sign-up!

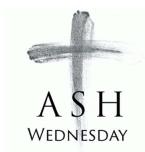
CROSS TRAILS MINISTRY GIFT OF FAITH GALA raises funds for camperships and helps keep camp affordable for all. This year's Gift of Faith Gala is a hybrid event. On **Saturday, March 12 from 5-9pm** there is an in-person event at Ebert Ranch with great food, and safe fellowship. If you can't make the event you can participate online beginning March 6th. Tickets are available online. www.crosstrails.org.

NURSING HOME WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS are needed. Please contact Pastor John at (830) 305-5658 if you wish to participate in this midweek service ministry at our area care facilities.

2021 ANNUAL REPORT now available. You can view on the Council page of our website. Limited print copies are available in the narthex and church office.

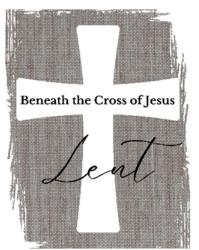
FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES Sunday, March 27-

April 3 from 9:15-10:15am in the Women's Ministry Room. Classes are open to all 5th grade youth and older, as well as parents, guardians, or the interested soul. First Communion will be celebrated on Maundy Thursday.



ASH WEDNESDAY is March 2. "Ashes to Go" will take place from Noon to 1:00 PM on the street outside of Emanuel's. Ashes will be distributed at this community wide annual event and blessings given to passers-by who may not have time to attend a service in the sanctuary.

Worship with Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes will be in the Sanctuary at both **Noon and 7:00 PM.**



MIDWEEK LENTEN
SERVICES: Join us for midweek services, "Beneath the Cross of Jesus", on Wednesdays March 9—April 6 at 12:05 and 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please bring a brown bag lunch and join us at 12:40 p.m. in the Women's Ministry Room for conversation about the study. A simple meal will be served proceeding the evening service at 6:30

p.m. in the Women's Ministry Room.

EMANUEL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "To be the church God is calling us to be by declaring God's love, serving others, and embracing all."

Emanuel's Lutheran Church

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Prayers of the Church

IN MEMORY OF Kenneth Schievelbein (son of Lorene Schievelbein), Lee Roy Weigang (brother of Maxine Hollub), Ann Theiss, Rachel Staph (mother of Cathy Anderson), and Robert Markgraf Jr (son of Mae Markgraf).

EMANUEL'S MEMBERS	FAMILY & FRIENDS
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