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## TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Order of Worship – 7:45 AM & 10:15 AM

**AS WE GATHER** – “Changed from glory into glory.” In his classic hymn “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” hymnwriter Charles Wesley describes the final change of the redeemed believer in Jesus Christ. The believer, by God’s grace, is “perfectly restored” in Christ, who set aside His glory to suffer and die for the sins of all people. The sight on the Mount of Transfiguration is glorious—but for us and for our salvation, Jesus saw beyond the glory of His transfiguration on the mountain to the glory of the cross, where He would complete God’s saving work on our behalf. As we sing our hymns of praise, we find our reason for glory in God’s grace-filled action for us.

### PRESERVICE MUSIC

Duet Selections by Beth Buss & Beth Tevah

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee; For the Beauty of the Earth; Come, Thou Almighty King*

### WELCOME [Please fill out prayer request cards.]

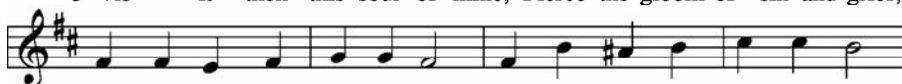
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### 👉 OPENING HYMN

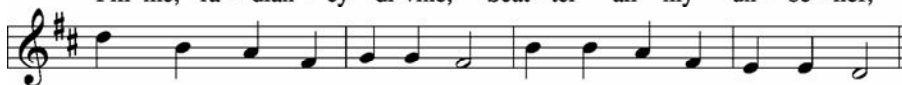
### Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true and on - ly light,  
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn Un - ac - com - pa-nied by Thee;  
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine, Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;



Sun of righ-teous-ness, a-rise; Tri-umph o'er the shades of night.  
Joy-less is the day's re-turn Till Thy mer-cy's beams I see,  
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di-vine, Scat-ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap-pear.  
Till they in - ward light im-part, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
More and more Thy - self dis-play, Shin - ing to the per - fect day.

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## INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Gal. 5:22-23; 1 Cor. 3:16; 1 Peter 3:15-16

P *In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

P *The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?*

C **Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.**

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Galatians 6:1; Ephesians 4:1-2; 1 Corinthians 6:19

P *"Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted." Let us go to our glorious Lord, seeking forgiveness and asking that He would restore us in gentleness.*

[Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination]

P *Heavenly Father,*

C **we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have failed to live in gentleness, the fruit of Your Holy Spirit, in our thinking, speaking, and acting. We have not exhibited self-control in times of elation or stress. We need Your help to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which we have been called, with all humility and gentleness. Our Lord Jesus revealed His person and ministry through His words and actions. In Your great mercy, forgive, renew, and lead us so that we may be revealed as His faith-filled followers to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P *"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price." Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

## INTROIT

**Psalm 99:1-5; antiphon: Psalm 99:9**

P *Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy!*

C **The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

P *The Lord is great in Zion; He is exalted over all the peoples.*

C **Let them praise Your great and awesome name! Holy is He!**

P *The King in His might loves justice. You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.*

C **Exalt the Lord our God; worship at His footstool! Holy is He!**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P *Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy!*

## HYMN OF PRAISE

## How Majestic Is Your Name

The musical score is written on four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are: "O Lord, our Lord, how ma - jes - tic is Your name in all the". The second staff continues with: "earth. O earth. O Lord, we praise Your name. O". The third staff continues with: "Lord, we mag-ni-fy Your name: Prince of Peace, Might-y". The fourth staff concludes with: "God, O Lord God Al - might - y. O y." and includes first and second endings, a D.S. (Da Capo) instruction, and a final ending.

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Let us pray.*

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

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

P *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Let us share this peace with one another.*

(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**Exodus 24:8–18**

P / L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE LESSON

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**2 Peter 1:16–21**

P / L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

## ♩ ALLELUIA VERSE

*Psalm 45:2a*

All: Alleluia. You are the most handsome of the sons of men; grace is poured upon your lips. Alleluia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 17:1–9*

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.*

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## ♩ CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## *O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair*



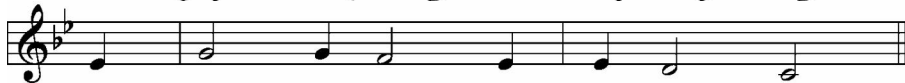
1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair  
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah high  
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray  
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high  
5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son



Of glo - ry that the Church may share,  
The in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;  
Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day  
By this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,  
And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one,



Which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,  
And from the cloud the Ho - ly One  
What glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove  
For which in joy - ful strains we raise  
We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace



Where bright - er than the sun He glows!  
Bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.  
Who joy in God with per - fect love.  
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.  
To see Thy glo - ry face to face.

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**SERMON**                    **“CLIMBING THE WRONG MOUNTAIN”**                    **Matthew 17:1-9**

- I. Like Peter, we’re tempted to stay on the wrong mountain—mountains of the Law, or power, or glory.
- II. Jesus shows us that the only mountain that brings us salvation is Mt. Calvary—the mountain of the cross.

**APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits 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.

**OFFERING [7:45 AM only]                    “Adore and Be Still”                    by Charles Gounod**

**OFFERING / CHORAL SELECTION [10:15 AM only]                    “You Are My All in All”  
Christ Choristers & S.S. Children**

**OFFERTORY [Both]                    *Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory***



1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo-ry, Heav-en’s voice, the daz-zling light;  
2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la-tion, They shall gain and keep its truth,  
3 Lord, trans - fig - ure our per-cep-tion With the pur - est light that shines,



Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish; Christ a - lone com - mands the height!  
Not by build - ing on the moun - tain An - y shrine or sa - cred booth,  
And re - cast our life’s in - ten - tions To the shape of Your de - signs,



Pe - ter, James, and John fall si - lent, Turn - ing from the sum - mit’s rise  
But by fol - low - ing the Sav - ior Through the val - ley to the cross  
Till we seek no oth - er glo - ry Than what lies past Cal - v’ry’s hill



Down - ward toward the shad - oved val - ley Where their Lord has fixed His eyes.  
And by test - ing faith’s re - sil - ience Through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.  
And our liv - ing and our dy - ing And our ris - ing by Your will.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P *Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. For the Church, that she might cling to the prophetic word as a lamp shining in a dark place until the day of Christ's return in glory, let us pray to the Lord:*
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P *That we may not be carried away by the cleverly devised myths of the devil and the world, but instead listen to God's beloved Son, Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord:*
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P *For rulers and all who are in high positions, that they may not set themselves against the Lord, earning His wrath, but rather serve the Lord in fear, recognizing that He possesses all the earth; and that we might be able to lead peaceful and quiet lives, godly and dignified in every way, let us pray to the Lord:*
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P *For the sick and suffering [including...], that they may look to the One who also suffered for all, bearing our infirmities; as He was raised, let the ailing be restored to health and strength, if that be God's will, or raised to glory on the Last Day to join with all the saints in singing Christ's praise, let us pray to the Lord:*
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P *For the lonely, that they might know the abiding presence of the Lord in the community of the saints gathered around Christ in His Word and Sacrament, and thereby find fellowship, let us pray to the Lord:*
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P *Into Your hands, dear Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.*
- C **Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

- P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and I give you His peace.*
- C **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

- P *Go in peace as you serve the Lord.*
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING HYMN

### *Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here*



1	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Thy
2	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here,	Thy
3	Ful	- fill	- er	of	the	past	And
4	Be	- fore	we	taste	of	death,	We
5	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Yet

(continued)



glo - ry fills the night; Thy face and gar - ments,  
 beau - ty to be - hold Where Mo - ses and E -  
 hope of things to be, We hail Thy bod - y  
 see Thy king - dom come; We long to hold the  
 we may not re - main; But since Thou bidst us



like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
 li - jah stand, Thy mes - sen - gers of old.  
 glo - ri - fied And our re - demp - tion see.  
 vi - sion bright And make this hill our home.  
 leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

[Birthday: *Linda Monasmith*]

**POSTLUDE**

***“Holy, Holy, Holy”***

**by Joseph Prentiss**

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**THE LUTHERAN HOUR MESSAGE**  
**KOA 850 AM: Sunday @ 6:00 AM**

**March 5: “A Savior Who Fights for You!”**; Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Lutheran Hour Speaker  
 Satan is a bully, but Jesus is the Savior Who fights for you. (Matthew 4:1-11)