

# The Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 11  
8:30 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.



prelude

entrance hymn

*Gather Us In*

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1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness  
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who  
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter, here we will take the  
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ish'd a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his-t'ry,  
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
light years a-way— here in this place the new light is shin-ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.  
call us a-new to be salt for the earth.  
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the  
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the  
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the  
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

## GREETING

*L: In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen.**

*A: Arise, shine, for our Light has come!*

**C: And the glory of the Lord has come upon us.**

*A: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.*

**C: The light no darkness can overcome.**

*A: He comes to us*

**C: We who are not wise.**

*A: He comes to us*

**C: We who are not powerful**

*A: Arise, shine, for our Light has come!*

**C: And the glory of the Lord has come upon us.**

**hymn of praise** *O Morning Star, how fair and bright!* **308**



1 O Morn - ing Star, how fair and bright! You shine with  
2 Come, pre - cious dia - mond, light di - vine, and deep with -  
3 Lord, when you look on us in love, at once there  
4 Al - might - y Fa - ther, in your Son you loved us,



God's own truth and light, a - glow with grace and mer - cy!  
in our hearts now shine; there light a flame un - dy - ing!  
falls from God a - bove a ray of pur - est plea - sure.  
when not yet be - gun was this old earth's foun - da - tion!



Of Ja - cob's line, King Da - vid's son, our Lord and Sav - ior,  
In your one bod - y let us be as liv - ing branch - es  
Your word and Spir - it, flesh and blood re - fresh our souls with  
Your Son has ran - somed us in love to live in him here



you have won our hearts to serve you on - ly! Low - ly,  
of a tree, your life our lives sup - ply - ing. Now, though  
heav'n - ly food. You are our dear - est trea - sure! Let your  
and a - bove: this is your great sal - va - tion. Al - le -



ho - ly! Great and glo - rious, all vic - to - rious, rich  
dai - ly earth's deep sad - ness may per - plex us and  
mer - cy warm and cheer us! Oh, draw near us! For  
lu - ia! Christ the liv - ing, to us giv - ing life



in bless - ing! Rule and might o'er all pos - sess - ing!  
dis - tress us, yet with heav'n - ly joy you bless us.  
you teach us God's own love through you has reached us.  
for - ev - er, keeps us yours and fails us nev - er!

## prayer of the day

*L: The Lord be with you*

**C: And also with you**

*L: Let us pray:*

**C: Almighty God, the transfiguration of Your Son reveals the continuity of Your presence and Your plan for your people. Your Word was spoken and Your intentions carried out through Moses and Elijah. Now, through Your Son, speak Your Word and realize Your intentions for us, that we will marvel and worship Your boundless love and grace which gives us hope and joy in this life and the next. In His name we pray. Amen.**

## first lesson

**2 Kings 2:1-12**

**N**ow when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal.

Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel."

But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you."

So, they went down to Bethel.

The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?"

And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho."

But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you."

So, they came to Jericho.

The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?"

And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan."

But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you."

So, the two of them went on.

Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you."

Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit."

He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not."

As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!"

But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

*L: The Word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!*

## **psalm**

**Psalm 50:1-6**

*The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to its setting.*

**Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
Our God shines forth.**

*Our God comes and does not keep silence,  
before God is a devouring fire,  
and a mighty tempest all around God.*

**God calls to the heavens above  
and to the earth, that God may judge God's people:**

*"Gather to me my faithful ones,  
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"*

**The heavens declare God's righteousness,  
for God himself is judge.**

**O**n that very day the Lord addressed Moses as follows:  
"Ascend this mountain of the Abarim, Mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, across from Jericho, and view the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites for a possession; you shall die there on the mountain that you ascend and shall be gathered to your kin, as your brother Aaron died on Mount Hor and was gathered to his kin; because both of you broke faith with me among the Israelites at the waters of Meribath-kadesh in the wilderness of Zin, by failing to maintain my holiness among the Israelites. Although you may view the land from a distance, you shall not enter it--the land that I am giving to the Israelites."

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord let him see the whole land.

The Lord said to him,

"This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there."

So, Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no man knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua, son of Nun, was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

But there arose no further prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and in all the strength and in all the great, awe-inspiring acts that Moses did before the eyes of all Israel.

*L: The Word of the Lord!*    **C: Thanks be to God**

# VERSE

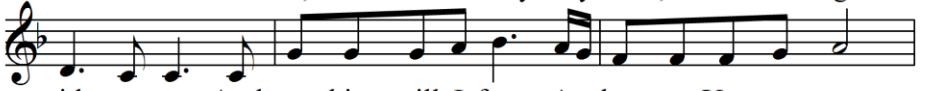
**Refrain (sing twice)**



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet And a light un-to my path.



1. When I feel a-fraid, think I've lost my way. Still, You're there right be-



side me. And no-thing will I fear As long as You are near;



Please be near me to the end. *(to refrain)*



2. I will not for-get Your love for me and yet, My heart for-ev-er is



wan-der-ing. Je-sus be my guide, And hold me to Your side, And



I will love you to the end. *(to refrain)*

## gospel acclamation

*L: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the ninth chapter.*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

## gospel

**Mark 9:2-10**

### The Transfiguration of Jesus

And six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain, alone and apart. And he was transformed before them, and his clothes became shining with exceeding brilliance, such that no bleacher on earth is empowered to brighten them. And they saw, Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

And Peter responds to the scene by saying to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for

us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah," for Peter did not know what he should say, for they had become terrified.

And a cloud came, overshadowing them. And a voice came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him!"

And suddenly, when they were looking around, they saw no one but Jesus alone, by himself.

And coming down out of the mountain, Jesus ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. And they kept the word to themselves, discussing what this rising from the dead is.

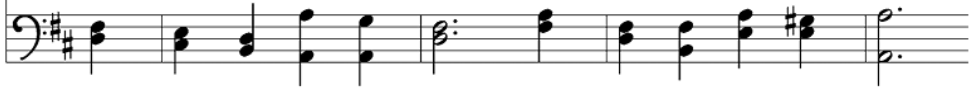
*L: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.*

## SERMON

### hymn of the day *How Good, Lord, to Be Here!* **315**



1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;  
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold  
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,  
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;  
5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;



your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.  
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.  
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.  
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.





## **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **OFFERING**

*L: Let us pray.*

**C: Gracious God, joining those people long ago who brought their gifts to your infant Son, we now bring our gifts of praise, adoration and thanks. Receive them as a response to the abundant blessings you provide us every day. We pray that You are pleased with our offerings and that you will use them to accomplish Your holy will. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

**the prayers of the church**

**the lord's prayer**

**BENEDICTION**

# RECESSIONAL

1. Climb with Christ the my - stic moun - tain  
2. Hear Him speak with an - cient pro - phets,  
3. Fol - low Christ in - to the val - ley;  
4. Climb, at last, an - oth - er moun - tain

veiled by clouds yet bathed in light.  
bear - ers of God's liv - ing Word.  
feel, with Him, a fath - er's pain;  
where, con - demned he goes to die. —

Join di - sci - ples bowed in won - der  
Mo - ses and E - li - jah greet Him  
cry - ing for his son, af - flict - ed  
Watch while sol - diers cru - ci - fy Him;

blind - ed by his gar - ment bright.  
as their peo - ple's pro - mised Lord. —  
"You can make him whole a - gain!"  
see the dark - end, sun - less sky. —

What the source of such a ra - diance?  
 Then an - oth - er voice pro - claims him;  
 Be for Christ His pre - sent bo - dy;  
 There re - mem - ber Truth he taught us:

Shin - ing here is Light from Light!  
 "My own Son; at - tend His word!"  
 heal - ing still the peo - ple's pain.  
 "Who would live, with me must die!"

## Dismissal

Altar flowers are dedicated in honor of Marie & Ray Stahl's 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.



### Sunday, February 11

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School (No Confirmation Class)

10:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

12:00 p.m. Mardi Gras Luncheon in the fellowship hall

### Monday, February 12

1:00 p.m. Grace Book Club Meeting

4:30 p.m. No Confirmation Class

### Tuesday, February 13

6:30 a.m. Early Birds Bible Study & Breakfast

7:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – online only

## **Wednesday, February 14** *Ash Wednesday*

9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group Meeting – in person only

12:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Liturgy

1:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Blood Drive in the fellowship hall

7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Liturgy

## **Sunday, February 18**

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. No Sunday School or Confirmation Classes

10:10 a.m. No Choir Rehearsal



**Ash Wednesday**  
February 14  
12:00 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.  
*Create in me a clean heart...*

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Give from the heart**  
February is American Heart Month.  
DONATIONS SAVE LIVES  
(Costs depended on blood during heart surgery and in recovery.)

## **BLOOD DRIVE**

**Ash Wednesday Feb 14<sup>th</sup>**

**1:30pm – 7:30pm**

**Grace Lutheran Church**

3830 Gomer St. Yorktown Heights, NY

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