

Peace Lutheran Church

Transfiguration of our Lord
Last Sunday after Epiphany
February 15, 2026 9:00 a.m.



GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME!

Thank you for joining in Worship today.

Whether you regularly worship with us, are here for the first time, or are returning after a time away, your presence is important for the worship we offer to the glory of God. May your experience of God's love be a blessing in your life. If you are visiting with us, please sign the guest register in the Narthex, near the front door. All are welcome at Jesus' table. The center ring in the communion tray has grape juice and the other two rings have wine.

Information in italics | **Congregation responses in bold** | * indicates please stand as you are able
Worship services may involve photography, as well as audio and video recording.

Welcome & Announcements to Prepare Us for Worship

* Confession and Forgiveness

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.

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

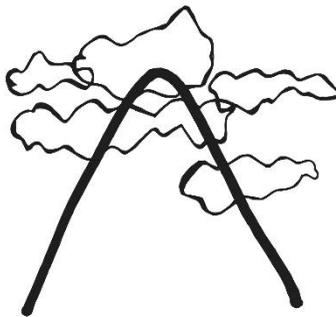


** How Good, Lord, to be Here!*

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***Greeting**

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



Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

***The Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray... **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.**

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

¹²The 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.” ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. ¹⁴To 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.”

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The 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. ¹⁷Now 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. ¹⁸Moses 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 2

¹ Why are the nations in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

² 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?

³ "Let us break their yoke," they say; "let us cast off their bonds from us."

⁴ God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the Lord holds them in derision.

⁵ Then in wrath God speaks to them, and in rage fills them with terror.

⁶ "As for me, I have anointed my king upon Zion, my holy mountain."

⁷ Let me announce the decree of the Lord,

who said to me, "You are my son; this day have I begotten you.

⁸ Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.

⁹ You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

¹⁰ And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.

¹¹ Submit to the Lord with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;

¹² 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

¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ 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.”¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹ 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. ²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, ²¹ 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.**

** Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah, hallelujah.

***Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 17th chapter

...Glory to you, O Lord.



¹ Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John 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 bright as light. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ 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.” ⁵ 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!”⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear.⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.”⁸ And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As 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.”

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

Sermon – Pastor Carol Jeunnette



** Beautiful Savior*

ELW 838

***Dedication of Bibles and stand**

***APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Prayers of Intercession**

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

(A brief silence.)

Each petition ends with: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for Dianna Shamel, Michael Knapton, Bill Goulding, Lynn and Phil Klein, Diane.

Birthdays: Rich Mueller – February 21

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

***Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Share the peace with each other as you are comfortable.

*** Offering Prayer**

Let us pray... **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.**

***Great Thanksgiving**

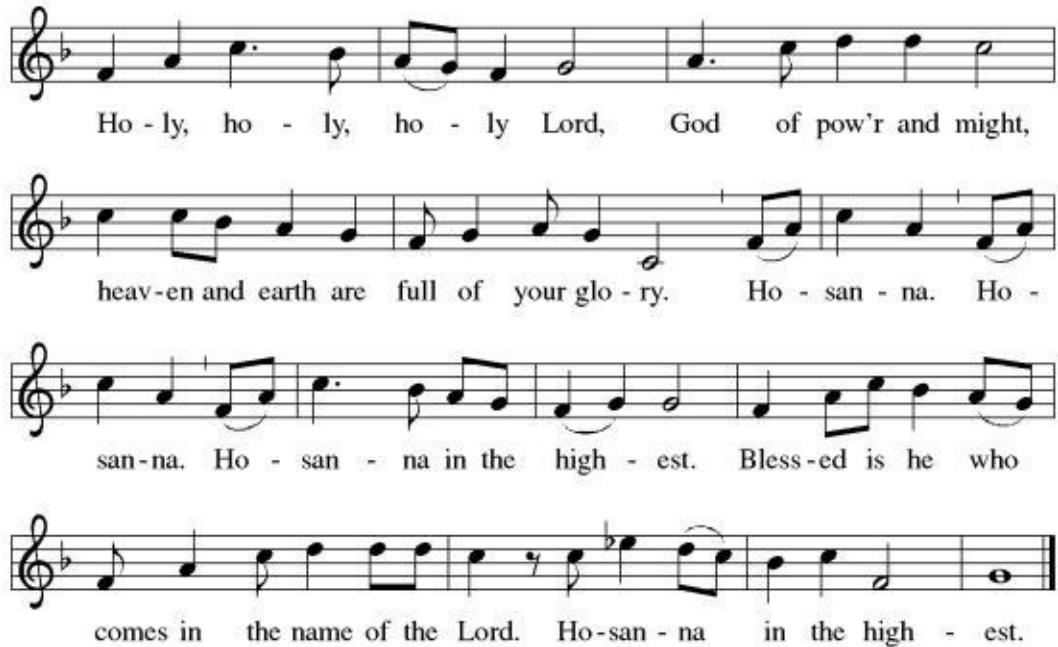
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Proper Preface



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

* Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer (*traditional version*)

*Invitation to Communion

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
Come to the table; taste and see.

Please come forward as you are able to receive communion.

Lamb of God – found on Liturgy Sheet

*Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and
keep you in his grace, now and forever.

***Prayer after Communion**

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.**



** Shine, Jesus, Shine*

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Announcements for the Good of All

Offering - Please place your gifts in the baskets in the back of the Sanctuary.

***Dismissal**

Grow in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
Thanks be to God.



Peace Lutheran Announcements for February 15, 2026

Church Website: www.peacelutheranburlington.org

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Pastor Carol's email: pastorcarol.peace@gmail.com

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Attendance for Sunday, February 8, 2026 – 28 confirmed, 1 virtual

General Offerings \$910.00 Mt Meru \$52.00

*Worship Assistants for today – Council member in charge: Sharon Ryd,
Lector: John Jeunnette, Communion Assistant: Bev Stobber, Offering
counter: John Monsen, Tech: Sean McGinty*

Office Hours... Pastor Carol's office hours this week will be Wednesday the 18th from noon – 4:00 p.m. Drop in and say "Hi"!

Burlington Senior Center... Looking ahead we will begin collecting in February for the Burlington Senior Center. They are in need of paper cups (no Styrofoam), small paper plates and napkins to be delivered March 1.

Thursday morning Bible study group... will meet this week on Thursday February 19th, at 9:30 am in the church narthex. They will continue the schedule of every other Thursday.

Ash Wednesday worship... will be this Wednesday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m.

To the people of Peace: A belated "thank you" for the Christmas gift. Thank you very much. Jim Rateike

50th Anniversary... The anniversary committee meets next week. If you have any ideas to help celebrate our 50 years of ministry - including possible theme or bible verses, please place them in the square basket out in the narthex.

Our altar flowers are provided by Patricia Anderson Flanagan, granddaughter of Gerda (pronounced “Yerda”) Elk in honor of her birthday. (1910 to 2005). Gerda’s Memorial Fund has been used to purchase 5 Bibles for use during worship. These Bibles are the same version we use in worship. Thanks to John Mosen for building a stand for them, placed at the back of the sanctuary.

This is a note Patricia wrote for us to share some memories of her grandmother.

In Swedish, your mom’s mother is Mormor. And my Mormor was a huge presence in my life and that of my sisters and cousins. At her funeral held at Peace in 2010, we all wore some form of violet or lighter purple in her honor as it was one of her favorite colors. She was born February 17th in Hofors, Sweden. There is much to tell but I will share a few tidbits.

When I was 13 she taught me to cross country ski in a park in Chicago during one of our midwest winters. In her late-fifties she could glide across the softball field like the wind. Kids tossing snowballs and families taking walks stopped in amazement as the tall, strong, gray haired lady smoothly and quickly went past them. She was a loving and strict Mormor. She had many talents, but you’ll have to read another story, another time.

Most recently I shared a comment she made to me twenty-some years later. She was living in Riverview Manor after my grandfather had passed away. I was between jobs and between decisions and disappointed in my relationships...you get it. I stopped over for coffee and to chat and told her about the positions I had applied for and the very diverse fields I was considering. She honored me with attentive listening and nodding, with an occasional question as I unloaded details and my consternation at the process. I was unsure what I was going to do. A few minutes later she leaned toward me with a knowing smile and said quietly, “don’t get to my age and wish you had tried something.” Wise woman.