

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ~ LBW p. 72 *Lamb of God*

(We stay standing as we sing about Jesus, the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from the bondage of sin and death.)

Holy Communion

Please be seated until an usher invites you forward. Those who prefer to drink from an individual cup may take one from the tray as they proceed into the half-circle; a few cups are prefilled with grape juice. Those who prefer the common cup may drink directly from the chalice, or dip the bread into it. Return to your seat by the side aisle, placing any empty cups in the tray provided there. All are welcome to receive the Lord’s Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. You may place the empty cup in the tray by the side aisle on your way back to your seat.

Music During Communion

+WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+

Post-Communion Canticle ~ LBW p. 72 *Thank the Lord*

(We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. In this song or chant, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)

Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction ~ LBW p. 74

Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor (chanting): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Congregation (chanting): Amen.**

Recessional Hymn ~ LBW Hymn #265 *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the*

Skies RATISBON

(We stay standing and sing. As the cross is carried out, we turn to follow it as we sing. Now nurtured through God’s word and sacrament, we are ready to go forth into the world again.)

Dismissal

Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 15 – The Transfiguration of Our Lord

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 18

6:00 pm Soup Supper

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service

Tuesday and Thursday

9am-2pm First Friends

Sunday, February 22– The First Sunday of Lent

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Part 2 Special Congregational Meeting

CHURCH STAFF

Evan McClanahan, Pastor

Mario Aschauer, Organist/ Choir Director

Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends

Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator

Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

Assisting Minister

Server, Crucifer

Whoever Available

Steve Bing, Tim Baker, Mark Baird

Adalyn McClanahan, Dorah Mushi

Matthew Scott

Mario Aschauer

Pastor Evan McClanahan

Acolyte

Usher

Altar Guild

Audio/ Video

Organist/ Choir Director

Liturgist/ Preacher



FIRST LUTHERAN
HOUSTON

THE TRANFIGURATION OF OUR LORD ~ FEBRUARY 15, 2026

ORDER OF SERVICE

+WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+

Upon entering the nave, please prepare for worship by attentively listening to the prelude.

If you arrive during the Confession, please wait to enter until the Processional Hymn.

Organ Prelude

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness ~ LBW p. 56 *(stand)*

Welcome and Announcements

The Ringing of the Bell

Introit *(Choir)*

(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the choir sings. “Introit” means “to enter.” Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)

Processional Hymn ~ LBW #89 *How Good, Lord, to Be Here!* POTSDAM

(We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)

Greeting and Kyrie ~ LBW p. 57

Hymn of Praise ~ LBW p. 60 *This is the Feast*

Prayer of the Day ~ LBW p. 17

Pastor: Let us pray ...

Congregation: Amen.

Children’s Sermon

(Children are invited forward for a message just for them. After the message, they can go next door to the nursery with Mrs. Bella.)

+WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD+

(In the second part of our liturgy, we hear and respond to God’s word.)

First Lesson ~ Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.” Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The 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. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Psalmody ~ Psalm 2

(Chanted responsively, choir or cantor singing odd verses, congregation singing even verses)



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 | his anointed?**

³ "Let us break their | yoke," they say;*

"let us cast off their | bonds from us."

⁴ **He whose throne is in heav- | en is laughing;* the Lord has them | in derision.**

⁵ Then he speaks to them | in his wrath,* and his rage fills | them with terror.

⁶ **"I myself have | set my king*upon my holy | hill of Zion."**

⁷ Let me announce the decree | of the Lord:*

He said to me, "You are my son; this day have I be- | gotten 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.

The Second Lesson ~ 2 Peter 1:16-21

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 had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. 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.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

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. First of all you must understand this, that no

prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

The Gospel ~ Matthew 17:1-9 (KJV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!” And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their faces and were greatly afraid. But Jesus came and touched them and said, “Arise, and do not be afraid.” When they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. Now as they came down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, “Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is risen from the dead.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you O Christ.

The Sermon

Hymn of the Day ~ LBW Hymn #80 *Oh, Wondrous Type!* DEO GRACIAS

The Rite of Confirmation for Alister McClanahan and Lucas Yanez

The rite is in your bulletin

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Congregation: Amen.**

The Greeting of Peace

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

(We repeat this greeting to those around us as you are comfortable.)

Choral Anthem

The Offering

(Be seated as ushers collect the offering and the choir sings. Having heard God’s word, we thus respond in faith and thanksgiving through this act.)

Offertory ~ LBW #565 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+

(Here, Christ comes to us in the sacrament or “sacred act” of the altar. We believe that God brings himself and his forgiveness to us “in, with, and under” the bread and the wine.)

Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface ~ LBW p. 68

Sanctus ~ LBW p. 69 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution ~ LBW p. 70

(The pastor leads us in prayer, followed by the words which Jesus spoke when he instituted communion. With these words, the bread and the wine are consecrated or “set apart” for God’s use in this special meal).

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.

Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

Lord’s Prayer ~ LBW p. 71