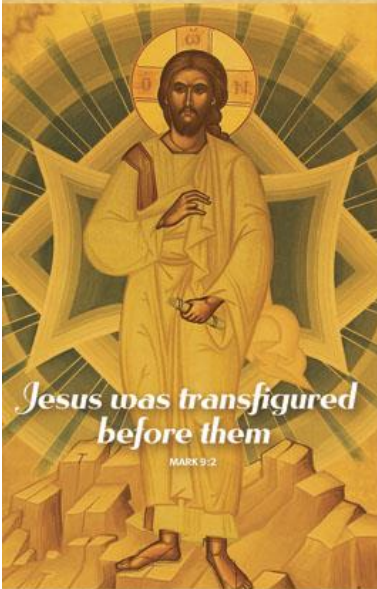


ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD February 11, 2024

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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions; please feel free to speak with the pastor.

Our Purpose:

We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously.

Guiding Principles:

As instruments of God's love, when you see us at our best you will see us:

- Generously** stewarding God's gifts of resources, time, and talents
- Serving** as God's hands & feet in ministries & missions of outreach to all
- Providing** for the care of God's people, both physically and spiritually
- Growing in Faith** through worship, study, and discernment
- Praising** God through music, word, and service
- Welcoming** all people into fellowship with God

Important Worship Notes

For the Season of Epiphany we are using the Bread of Life – Setting V from With One Voice. All liturgies are printed within this bulletin.

P: Pastor

L: Lay Reader

A: Assisting Minister

C: Congregation responses are in bold

*Stand as you are able

If you are communing, please be sure to fill out a communion record card, for our church records, and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
+ TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD
February 11, 2024**

INTRODUCTION

The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's Beloved. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

C **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge,

we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.

Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

Beautiful Savior

Hymn 838

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
bright the spar - kling stars on high;
Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

***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.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

☩ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

☩ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we

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



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



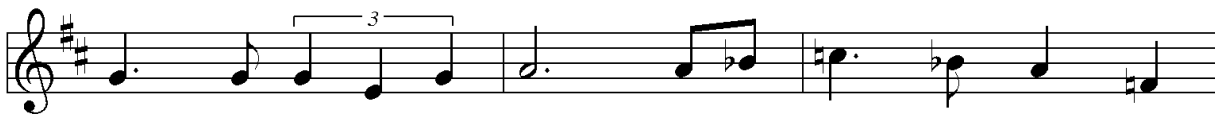
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ 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.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

I
II 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.

III Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,

and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

2 Kings 2:1-12

Today's reading centers on the transfer of power and authority from the prophet Elijah to Elisha. Their travels, which retrace the path of Joshua back to Moab (the place where Moses died) and the parting of the waters, demonstrate that Elisha and Elijah are legitimate successors of the great prophet Moses.

L ¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah 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. ³The 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."
⁴Elijah 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. ⁵The 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."
⁶Then 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. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then 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.
⁹When 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." ¹⁰He 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." ¹¹As 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. ¹²Elisha 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.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 50:1-6

read responsively

A ¹The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken; calling the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

C ²**Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God shines forth in glory.**

³Our God will come and will not keep silence; with a consuming flame before, and round about a raging storm.

⁴**God calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgment of the people.**

⁵“Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”

⁶**The heavens declare the rightness of God’s cause, for it is God who is judge.**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

The spotlight of Christian ministry is not on the people who carry out ministry but on the Lord Jesus Christ. Just as God made light shine at creation, God makes the light of Jesus Christ shine in our lives through Christian ministry.

L ³Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





***GOSPEL**

Mark 9:2-9

Mark's gospel presents the transfiguration as a preview of what would become apparent to Jesus' followers after he rose from the dead. Confused disciples are given a vision of God's glory manifest in the beloved Son.

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark 9:9-9

C Glory to you, O Lord.

P ²Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said 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." ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

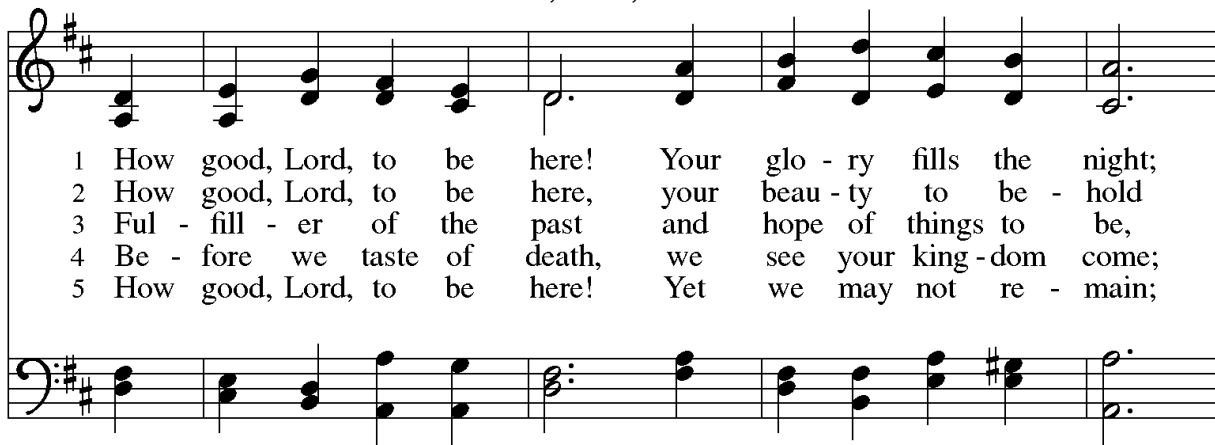
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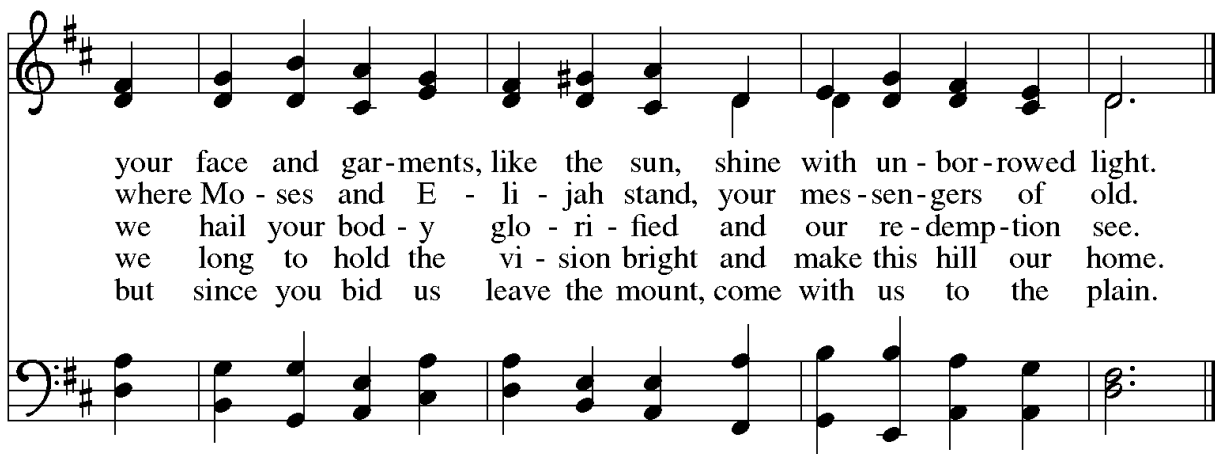
***HYMN OF THE DAY**

How Good, Lord, to Be Here!

ELW 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.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

A Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Apostles' 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 THE PEOPLE**

A As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

A We pray for the church, that the transformational power of God enters the hearts of all people. May its leaders serve as examples of your grace and healing across time and space. God of grace,

C **receive our prayer.**

We pray for the creation, that we will humbly observe the swirl of wind and the heat of the bright sun. Teach us to honor all you have made and to care for the animals, plants, air, and bodies of water of this planet. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We pray for those charged with leadership, lawmaking, and governance of our towns, states, and countries, that they will strive for goodness and justice all the days of their lives and callings. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We pray for any who are sick and suffering. Guide us to offer hospitality, shelter, friendship, and care to any in need. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We pray for this congregation and its ministry in the wider community. May we share the transforming beauty and love of God in ways that honor the dignity of all whom we encounter. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Trusting that all the saints, prophets, and those who die in faith are held in your care, we remember in thanksgiving those who have died (*especially*). Grant us your gift of salvation as we await your coming again in glory. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

THE MEAL

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *When Morning Guilds the Sky* arr. Michael Ryan

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Handbell Choir

(Use this time to reflect on your financial and spiritual offerings to God.)

There are a number of ways of making your offerings to God during this time. One is to place your offering in our offering plates in front of the pews or to give online at <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/give>. If you prefer not to give online, you may of course mail a check to St. Paul's. If you are not able to give monetarily during this time, know that your prayers and praise are a pleasing offering to God. If you are able to give a little more during this time, please consider doing so as a way of supporting your fellow disciples who are not able to.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Blessed are you, Holy One,

C ... for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*DIALOGUE

ELW 144

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

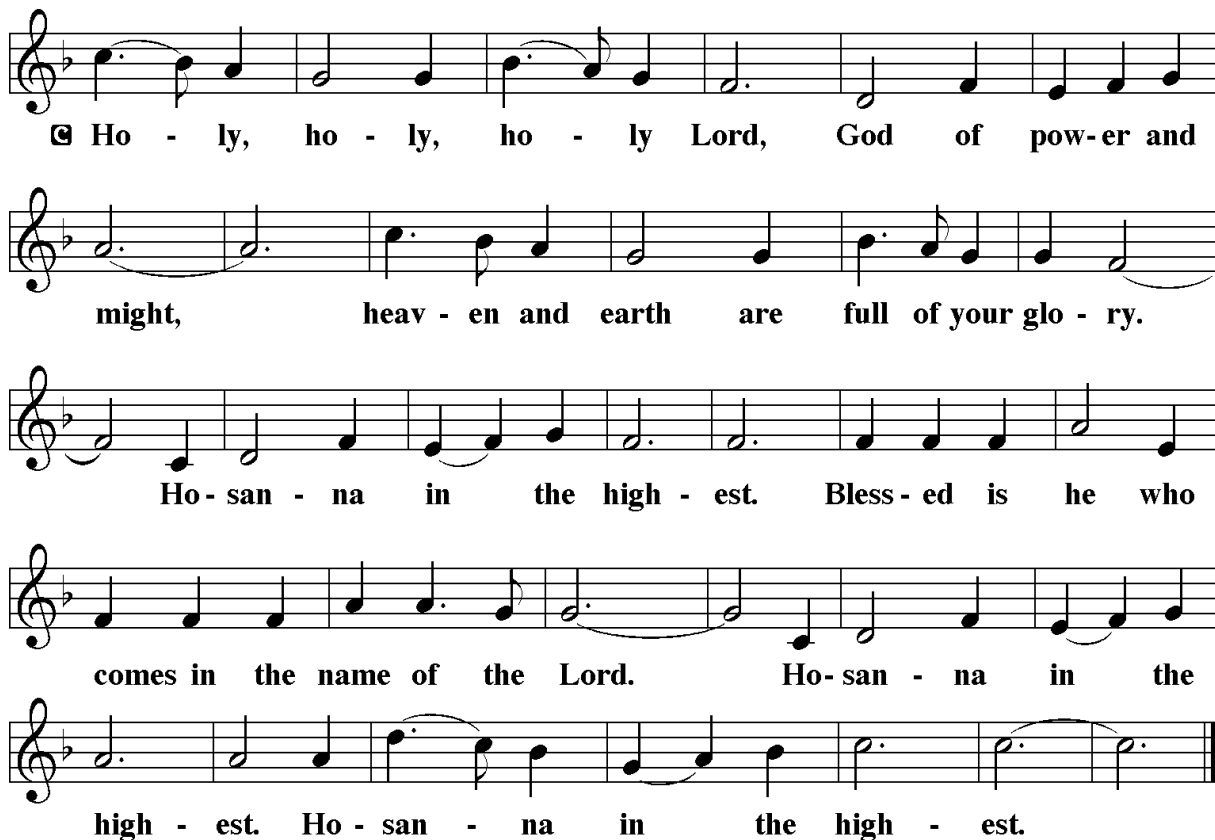
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.
By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called
your people to be a light to the nations.
Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness
and revealing to us your mercy and might.
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave
thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my
body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all
people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C Amen!

*LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

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

P At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

All are welcome to commune. If you wish to receive communion from your seat, please let an usher know. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.

*AGNUS DEI



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Bread of the World In Mercy Broken arr. Douglas Wagner

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Handbell Choir

Shine, Jesus, Shine

ELW 671

Refrain

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;

blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

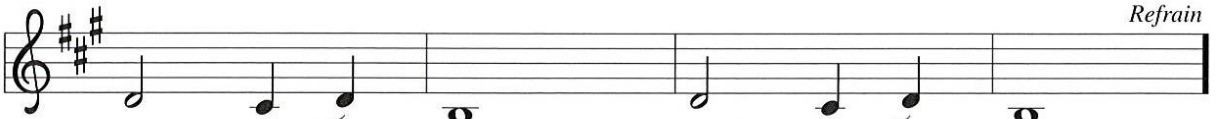
1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



Shine on me, shine on me:
Shine on me, shine on me:

*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

*BLESSING

P God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, ✠ bless you and remain with you always.

C Amen.



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
 We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the

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 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba _____ oo _____
 We are march - ing _____ oo _____

Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,
 We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, *kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*
 we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba _____ *oo* _____
 We are march - ing _____ *oo* _____

Si - ya - ham - ba, *ham - ba,* *si - ya - ham - ba,* *ham - ba,*
 We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

***DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. You are God’s beloved.

C **We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God.**

***POSTLUDE**

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Cantor:		Gretchen Walter
Lay Reader:	Donna Lehman	Ginny Murray
Communion Distributors	Gretchen Walter Michelle Johnson	Glenn Alwine Dan Fuhrman
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PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR IN OUR CHURCH LOUNGE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE.

DAILY DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE STUDY continues following worship. Grab some coffee and snacks and join us **in the nursery, across from the lounge**, to dive a little deeper into the day’s Bible readings. We should finish up by 11:30. We hope to see you there!

SOMETHING’S BREWING BIBLE STUDY will continue to follow Max Lucado as he delves into the Gospel of John. **Join us in the Lounge, Mon. evenings at 7:00pm.**

AN ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE will be held on Wednesday evening, February 14th, at 7:00 pm. It will include the Imposition of Ashes.

FEBRUARY SPECIAL DESIGNATED GIVING – St. Paul’s Camperships

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY--The Faith in Action will be collecting regular cans of soup, any kind, through today, February 11, 2024 (SUPER BOWL SUNDAY). Please deposit your cans in the boxes found in the pulpit side of the hallway. All proceeds will be given to St. Paul's Saturday Grocery Ministry to be given out as needed. Soup is always good for the cold days of winter. Thanks for your support in this project.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A CHRISTIAN IN THE LUTHERAN TRADITION? Who do we say that we are? All are invited to come explore the unique vision of the Lutheran faith as a way of worshiping and living. Taught by Pastor Katrina on the five Sundays of Lent at 10:45 a.m., starting February 18th through March 17th. Each session will be one hour. Location to be announced.

PLEASE NOTE THAT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH WILL BE CAMP SUNDAY with Mike Youse from the Lutheran Camping Corporation as our guest speaker. Wear your camp T-shirts and attire that day.

LENTEN MIDWEEK DINNER CHURCH: We will be having “dinner church” in Fellowship Hall on Wednesday nights, February 21 through March 20. Join us at 5:45 with a dinner prayer at 6:00 pm as we share a meal. Casual worship will begin at 6:30 pm led by Pastor Katrina Holland with music by Steven Ruppright. ***“The Seed of Joy” is our theme for this Lenten season.*** Please sign up on the bulletin board by Pastor's office or click the link below to sign up for individual dates.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040544AFA823A2FB6-47210418-lenten>

SAVE THE DATE AND JOIN US! - There will be a Retreat for everyone here at St. Paul’s on **Saturday, February 24th from 11 am – 2:30 pm** (Lunch will be provided) in Fellowship Hall. This will be for all Council and Committee members and anyone else that would like to attend. Watch for more details in upcoming Happenings and Reminders and bulletins. Please join us as we continue our journey preparing for St. Paul's future!

GET READY, GET SET, REGISTER FOR CAMP! Council has approved camperships for any St. Paul's members and any person(s) sponsored by a member for this summer at any Lutheran Camping Corporation Camp! Registration for summer camp is now open for Nawakwa, Kirkenwald, Wittel Farm and Mar-Lu-Ridge. Check out the summer schedules here: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/> and <https://www.mar-lu-ridge.org/> For more information see Laura Silver our CampPerson.

SAVE THE DATE! - The Westminster Ringers will present a Handbell Concert at St. Paul's on March 10th at 4:00 pm.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS FOR ALL THE LADIES AT ST. PAUL'S. Hanover First Church of God is holding their Women's Conference on March 15 & 16, 2024. Registration cost is \$55.00 for the two-day conference. Friday night is from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm with snacks and beverage provided. Saturday is from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm with a small breakfast, lunch and beverages provided. We need to be registered and pre-paid by **Sunday, February 18, 2024.** You may register yourself at <https://www.hanoverbeacon.org/events>. Make check payable to Hanover First Church of God and put Women's Conference in the memo line.

Sally Lovelace will register anyone who does not want to register themselves. Please provide Sally with your name, address, email (if you have one) and phone number. You can reach Sally at salgeorge@centurylink.net or 717-479-0084.

GATHERING UPDATE! Our hotel arrangements have been announced and we're getting more and more excited about our journey. Continue to check out the Youth and Family bulletin board for details and information about our fundraising efforts. There are opportunities for you to join us on our journey! We are overwhelmed with your generosity! At our Pie Auction we shared delicious food, fellowship, met the Gathering group, learned about the Gathering experience, laughed, and had a great time. Over \$3800 was raised for the Youth Gathering (with several more donations coming in). Wow! Thank you so much. Our group looks forward to continuing to share this journey with you!

A NEW MESSAGING SYSTEM IS READY! – PHONEVITE - If you did NOT get your phone message on Tuesday at 2 pm, please call Carmen to update or add your correct phone number/s **BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH.**

We will send a second test message out to make sure we've captured any changes/edits/adds on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH @ 2 PM.**

LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD 2024 ASSEMBLY - The business sessions of the thirty-seventh Annual Assembly of the Lower Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, gathering under the theme "For the Healing of the Nations: Christ's Healing in a Broken World," will be held the evening of Friday, May 31, 2024, by Zoom, and Saturday, June 1, 2024, in person at St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, 839 W Market St, York, PA 17401 Our Day of Edification (or learning) will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024, by Zoom. Please read the official Call to Assembly notification for more details and located here: <https://www.lss-elca.org/wp-content/uploads/Official-Notification-Call-to-2024-Assembly-11-30-2023.pdf>. All congregations in our synod send representation to conduct the synod business, learn, network, have fellowship and worship together. Are YOU being called to represent St. Paul's this year? Please prayerfully consider this opportunity and notify a member of the Executive Committee if you are interested or have questions!

STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH, ONE CAMPER AT A TIME

Recent studies have shown that individuals who experience church camping as children and youth are more likely to stay involved in faith communities as adults.



WHY?

- Church camp experience offers opportunities to live a faithful life in a non-threatening environment.
- Campers practice living as Jesus intends us to live in a community of people striving to do the same.
- Campers have opportunities to practice times of quiet, individual devotion, as well as active, participatory worship.
- Campers are given a safe space to discuss faith topics with peers and mentors.
- Campers are given opportunities for worship leadership and participation.
- Campers learn how to be faithful Christian disciples, eager to proclaim the Gospel and serve others.

All of this faith formation takes place within the setting of an outdoor community that seeks to build character, foster independence, encourage good relationships, and teach life skills...benefits that campers will carry for the rest of their lives. Congregations, in turn, will grow and flourish with members who are eager to lead and serve.

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The camps of LCC provide unique and effective settings and experiences where the Gospel is shared, and faith is nurtured in the lives of children, adults and families. LCC's programs serve as an extension of congregational ministry, and participants of all ages return to their homes and families renewed and strengthened for Christian living.



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**The Lutheran Camping Corporation of
Central Pennsylvania
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm
LutheranCamping.org**

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SUN., FEB. 11	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – Transfiguration of our Lord
	Immediately following	Coffee Hour in the lounge
	10:30 am	Faith Formation – Gathering room (2 nd floor)
	10:30 am	Daily Disciple’s Bible Study-nursery (across from the lounge)
MON., FEB. 12	6:30 pm	Girl Scout Groups – 2 nd Floor
	7:00 pm	Something’s Brewing Bible Study – Lounge
WED., FEB. 14	7:00 pm	ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
THUR., FEB. 15		March Evangel deadline
	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir rehearsal–sanctuary balcony
	6:30 pm	Cub Scout Pack 102–2 nd Floor
	6:30 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 102–Youth Room & gym
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir rehearsal–sanctuary
FRI., FEB. 16		P.A.L. - Team 1
	3:30 pm	Grocery Ministry prep
SAT., FEB. 17	9:00 am	Grocery Ministry (St. Paul’s Book Club)
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Service
SUN., FEB. 18	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 1 st Sunday in Lent
	Immediately following	Coffee Hour in the lounge
	10:30 am	Faith Formation – Gathering room (2 nd floor)
	10:30 am	Lutheran 101 class (location TBA)