

# AES MINISTRIES ~ AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Transfiguration of Our Lord

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*"Congregations joined in faith and fellowship to spread God's love."*

- AES Ministries mission statement

**Welcome to all who worship with us today!**

## PRELUDE, WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

LEFT COLUMN, ACS p. 29

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who looks upon us in compassion,  
forgives our sin,  
and heals our lives.

**Amen.**

*One of the following or another confession is prayed.*

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

*The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.*

Have mercy, O God,  
**against you, you alone,  
we have sinned.**

**In your compassion,  
cleanse us from our sin  
and take away our guilt.  
Create in us a new heart  
and give us a steadfast spirit.**

**Do not cast us away,  
but fill us with your Holy Spirit  
and restore your joy within us.  
Amen.**

*The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness with these or similar words.*

As tender as parent to child,  
so deep is God's compassion for you.  
As high as heaven is above earth,  
so vast is God's love for you.  
As far as east is from west,  
so far God removes your sin from you,  
renewing your life through Jesus Christ.  
Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.  
**Blessed be God forever.**

*The assembly stands.*

## GATHERING SONG

## "Be Thou My Vision"

ELW #793

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!

thou my best thought by day and by night,  
Thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tow'r,  
thou, and thou on - ly, first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

## GREETING

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*During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

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.

## KYRIE

ACS p. 31

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.  
 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## SONG OF PRAISE

*"Glory to you, God"*

ACS p. 31

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray....

**C: 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

<sup>12</sup> The 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." <sup>13</sup> So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup> To 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." <sup>15</sup> Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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 Israelites. <sup>18</sup> Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God**

## PSALM 2

- <sup>1</sup> Why are the nations in an uproar? Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?  
<sup>2</sup> **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?**  
<sup>3</sup> "Let us break their yoke," they say; "let us cast off their bonds from us."  
<sup>4</sup> **God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the Lord holds them in derision.**  
<sup>5</sup> Then in wrath God speaks to them, and in rage fills them with terror.  
<sup>6</sup> **"As for me, I have anointed my king upon Zion, my holy mountain."**  
<sup>7</sup> Let me announce the decree of the Lord,  
who said to me, "You are my son; this day have I begotten you."  
<sup>8</sup> **Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.**  
<sup>9</sup> You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery."  
<sup>10</sup> **And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.**  
<sup>11</sup> Submit to the Lord with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;  
<sup>12</sup> **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

<sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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." <sup>18</sup> We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup> 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. <sup>20</sup> First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup> because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*"Alleluia"*

ACS p. 33

Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## GOSPEL: MATTHEW 17:1-9

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Matthew, the 17<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. <sup>3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup> 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." <sup>5</sup> 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!" <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup> And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>9</sup> As 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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## MESSAGE

### SONG OF THE DAY

### *"Dazzling Presence on the Mountain"*

ACS #917



1 Daz - zling pres - ence on the moun - tain: hu - man eye had  
2 From this mount of mys - tic splen - dor to the cross Christ  
3 From the heights of new cre - a - tion, Christ be - holds his  
4 Let our praise ring from each moun - tain, in - to deep - est



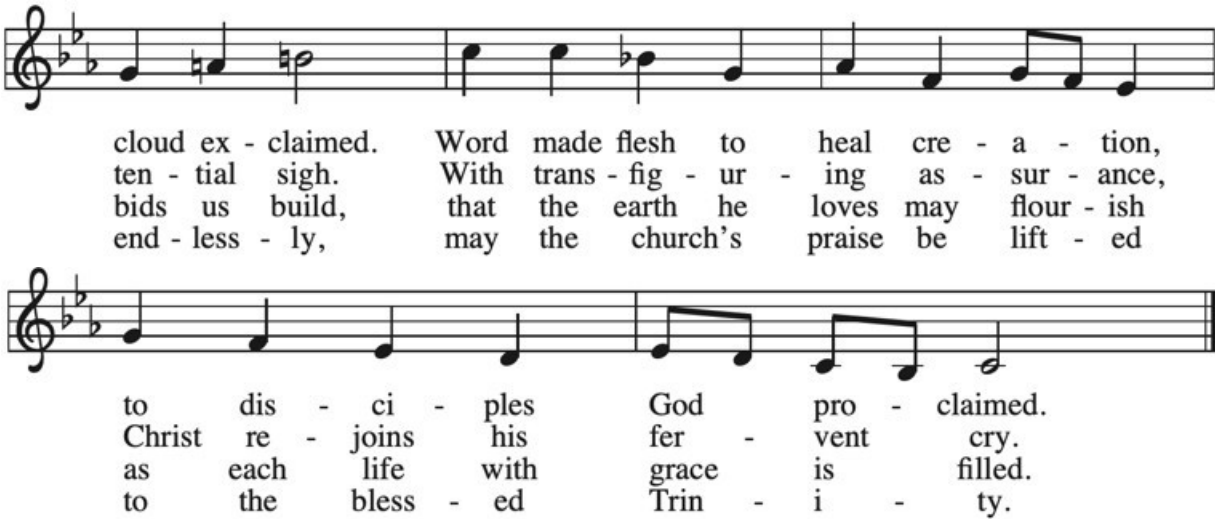
nev - er seen such a won - der, such re - splen - dence,  
press - es on; here no Mo - ses nor E - li - jah,  
world, re - deemed; as with Pe - ter and com - pan - ions,  
val - leys pour, where, with lives of grate - ful ser - vice,



heav'n and earth in cloud con - vene.  
on - ly thieves Christ's wings a - dorn.  
brings us now to sights un - seen.  
we a - dore Christ ev - er - more.



"This is my Son, the be - lov - ed," thun - d'rous voice from  
"Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy," was one's pen - i -  
Jus - tice, mer - cy, and com - pas - sion: these the booths he  
To the Son, God's own be - lov - ed, and the Spir - it



## APOSTLE'S CREED

ACS p. 17

**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.**

## PRAYER'S OF INTERCESSION

**L:** Lord in your mercy . . .

**C:** Hear our Prayer . . .

## SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

## OFFERING

**Offertory Hymn**

***"Thank You, Lord"***

**vs. 1 & 4, ACS #1092**



# BLESSING

## SENDING SONG

### "Shine, Jesus Shine"

ELW #671

**Shine, Jesus, Shine** 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.

*Refrain*

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

**DISMISSAL** P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God.

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**Prayer Concerns:** *Lucy Christenson Lindsey Kulseth, Dean Hoffman, Brandon Hagen, Debbie McGuire, Roger Hagen, Nolan O'Connor, Judy Berg, Darrell Ask, Dennis Johnson, Mike Larson, Jamie (Noren) Seiner, Marie Christenson, Darryl Jensen, Phyllis Jurgens, Dave Finnegan, Tim Knaak, Don Flater, Bruce Ohland, Sam Christenson, Melissa Anderson, Steven Olson, Tom Anderson, Chloe Anderson, Orval Larson, Dennis Madison, Linda Madison, and Emma Overson.*

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**General Offering: \$2,780.00**  
**Vanco/Online Offering: \$ 836.25**  
**Total Offering for February 8<sup>th</sup>: \$3,616.25**  
**Amount needed each week is \$3867 to make budget.**

**Activities this week: February 16 – February 22**

Monday Office Closed – President's Day  
Tuesday Newsletter Deadline  
9:00am – Sewing Circle  
2:15 pm – Augustana worship on cable tv  
Wednesday **Ash Wednesday**  
12:00 – 1:00 pm – Ashes to Go, corner of Armstrong Blvd N and Weston Ave  
6:30 pm – (E) Communion Service  
Sunday 9:00 am – (A) Worship – ROAR Sings  
10:00 am – (A) Coffee Hour  
10:30 am – (E) Worship  
11:30 am – Radio Broadcast on 1370AM  
2:00 pm – Watonwan River Conference Assembly

**2026 Lenten Schedule**

**February 18** – Ash Wednesday. 6:30 pm Service at **East Sveadahl**  
**February 25** - “Healing of Namaan” – Pastor Mandy. 5:30 pm Supper; 6:30 Service at **Augustana**  
**March 4** - “Water From a Rock” – Deacon Lyla. 5:30 pm Supper; 6:30 pm Service at **East**  
**March 11** - “Jesus Calms the Storm” – Pastor Mandy. 5:30 pm Supper; 6:30 pm Service at **Augustana**  
**March 18** - “Jesus Walks on Water” – Deacon Lyla. 5:30 pm Supper; 6:30 pm Service at **East**  
**March 25** - “Woman at the Well” – Pastor Mandy. 5:30 pm Supper; 6:30 pm Service at **Augustana**

**Church Announcements**

- ✠ The church is closed Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> in observance of President's Day.
- ✠ The **Watonwan Community Cares group is taking donations** to assist immigrant families in need in our community. Items needed include, but not limited to: baby diapers, formula, food, and financial support. Donations can be dropped off at First Presbyterian. Any questions, contact Alison Kulseth or Pr. Mandy.
- ✠ **Ashes-to-Go Weds., Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> from 12 – 1 pm** on the corner of Armstrong Blvd N, and Weston Ave.  
\*There will also be **Communion Worship at 6:30 pm at East Sveadahl.**
- ✠ **Youtherans will meet at 6 pm at the Food Shelf TONIGHT!**
- ✠ **Grades 6 – 12 are who signed up for Bowling/Pizza Party** in Springfield, Sunday, Feb. 22 meet at church at 3 pm and you will arrive back to Augustana by 7 pm.
- ✠ **AES Meeting** will be Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm at East Sveadahl.
- ✠ **Noisy Offering is next Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, bring your loose change!**