

Transfiguration of our Lord Sunday  
February 15, 2026

Prelude/ Bell/ Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

L: Come up to me on the mountain.

C: A flame of fire bursts from the bush, but the bush is not consumed.

L: Come up to me on the mountain, and wait.

C: We will turn aside and see the great sight; why does this bush not burn?

L: Come up to me on the mountain, and I will show you the Way.

C: We shall take off our shoes, for the place where we stand is hold ground.

L: Behold, I have heard the crying of creation; I have seen her back groaning under her heavy burden. Rise, my people, and have no fear.

All: We shall climb to God on the crown of the world, and the mountains and hills shall sing as we go.

Gathering Hymn

*Shine, Jesus, Shine*

ELW # 671

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\dagger$  one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

C: Amen.

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Mighty God, lover of justice,

C: 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.

L: 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  $\dagger$  Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace. C: Amen.

Greeting: L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit is with you all. C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: O God, C: 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.

Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

Pew Bible Pg. 125

Responsive Psalm 2

L: Why are the nations in an uproar? Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

C: 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?

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

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

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

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

L: Let me announce the decree of the Lord, who said to me, "You are my son; this day have I begotten you.

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

L: You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”  
C: And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.  
L: Submit to the Lord with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;  
C: lest the Lord be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath. Happy are all who take refuge in God!

Gospel Acclamation *Celtic Alleluia* ELW # 174  
Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9 Pew Bible pg. 1504  
C: Glory to you, O Lord.  
L: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ

Children’s Welcome Song “*Jesus loves the little children. All the children of the world. You are loved and you are light. You are precious in God’s sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world.*”

Children’s Message & Sermon Rev. Mindy Czycalla

Hymn of the Day “*One Day Jesus Climbed a Mountain*” tune *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

Offering / Offertory

Apostles Creed ELW Page 105 / Screens

Prayers of The People, response: L: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you C: And also with you.  
L: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.  
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution / The Lord’s Prayer

Communion Welcome

*All who are hungry for God’s love and mercy are welcome to this table of forgiveness.*

Holy Communion Distribution

Post Communion Prayer

Blessing One Another

L: Your triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise  
☩ bless you now and forever. C: Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn *We Praise You, O God* ELW # 870

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. C: We will. Thanks be to God.

We Thank February 15, 2026

Ushers: Chase Schoumaker, Grant Thompson Organist/ Pianist: Paula Geier

Reader: Cora Moline; Tech Desk Communion Servers: Jake Powers, Carter Thompson

## Nordland's Week

Today	9:30 / 10:30	Education & Fellowship / Worship / Winds newsletter articles due
Wed.	6:15 / 7:00 pm	Soup & Sandwich Supper / Ash Wednesday Service
Thur.	Feb. 19	Early Bird Discount Deadline for Summer Camp, Water's Edge Ministries
Sat.	8:00 am	Men in the Basement
Sun.	9:30 / 10:30	Education & Fellowship / Worship

Nordland Mission Fest is June 27, 2026, The Fest is an important fundraiser as we commit to send \$5,000 to ELCA Missions each year. We need a committee, contact Becky Thompson or Diane Christle. – NLCW

Moonlight Meander, Sat. Feb. 28, 6 – 9 pm. The Crow River Trail Guards line all the park trails with candles and invite the public for an evening walk. Campfire stations keep visitors warm. Meet at 200 Burr Street, Paynesville or alternative parking is at Grace United Methodist Church parking lot.

March is Food Shelf Month; the Nordland shopping cart is available for your donations of non-perishable grocery items and/or monetary. Please specify "Food Shelf" in memo if you are writing a check.

Parents: Reminder- the Early Bird Discount ends on Feb. 19 for \$65 off Summer Camp programs. Register your child at [gllm.org](http://gllm.org), more information on youth bulletin board or on your parent information letter.

Pr. Mindy will be on vacation Feb 19-28. If any pastoral care needs arise, please contact Pr. Paul Schumaker at 320-894-0019.

## One Day Jesus Climbed a Mountain

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One day Jesus climbed a mountain to a place of prayer and rest.

Peter, James and John went with him to that lonely wilderness.

In a moment so amazing, Jesus shone with brightness blazing, wrapped in glory, heaven-blessed.

Words could not contain the wonder of that most amazing sight.

Jesus' face was bright with splendor and his clothes were dazzling white.

There appeared two others with him; Moses and Elijah met him on that lonely mountain height.

Jesus talked there with the prophet and the bearer of the Law.

When his three disciples saw it, they were filled with joy and awe.

Peter told him, "Let us stay here. We can worship God and pray here." Then a cloud came over all.

From that cloud a voice was saying, "This is my beloved son."

And the voice said, "Listen to him!" — to God's faithful chosen one.

While their plans were filled with glory, Christ was living out the story of his prayer, "Thy will be done."

Jesus took them down the mountain to a world of pain and loss.

For he knew what lay before him; he must journey to the cross.

In his serving, in his healing, God was there, by grace revealing wondrous love comes at a cost.

Biblical References: Matthew 17:1-13; Mark 9:2-13; Luke 9:28-36; 2 Peter 1:16-18

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