#### INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

# + Transfiguration of Our Lord • February 11th, 2024 +

**Worship Notes:** • Our Lector is Cheryl Carroll • Our Crucifer is Bill Williamson • Our Banner Bearer is Sabra Custer • We are in Setting 8 of the ELW •

**PRELUDE:** The Cloud Carl Rutti

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** Please stand as able and face the back of the church. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.** 

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

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  $\pm$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved. **Amen.** 

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 631

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

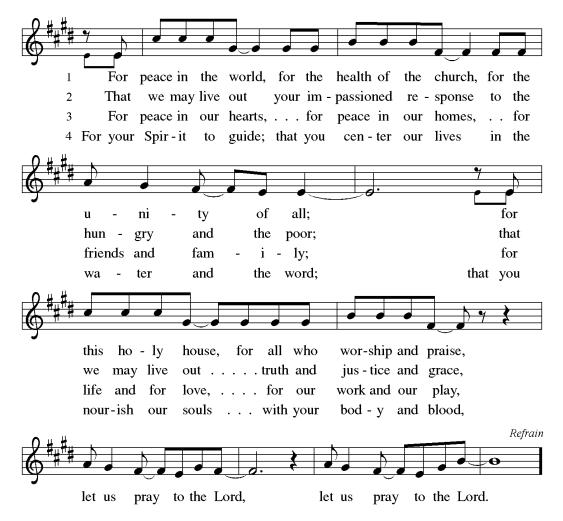
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## **GREETING**

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.** 

KYRIE: ELW p.184





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, the 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.

Please be seated.

#### WORD

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

## FIRST READING: 2 Kings 2:1-12

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

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 50:1-6

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

<sup>2</sup>Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,

# God shines forth in glory.

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

<sup>4</sup>God calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgment of the people.

<sup>5</sup>"Gather before me my loyal followers,

those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

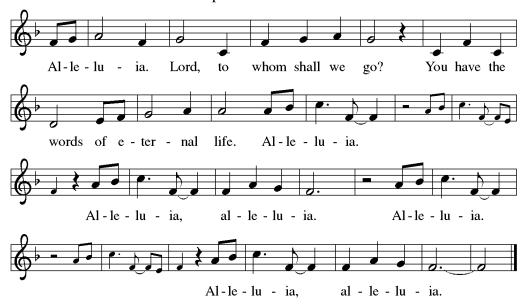
<sup>6</sup>The heavens declare the rightness of God's cause, for it is God who is judge.

# SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

<sup>3</sup>Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In 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. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For 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. Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW p.188



GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-9 Please stand as able. Before the Reading: The Holy Gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord."

<sup>2</sup>Six 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, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then 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." <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup>As 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.

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Emily Willhide

**HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 315** 

How Good, Lord, to Be Here! *POTSDAM* 

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

Please stand as able.

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 INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes "God of grace," We respond: "receive our prayer."

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

#### **MEAL**

The offering plate will be passed throughout the Congregation for those not using online giving.

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** 

"Tis Good, Lord, To Be Here"

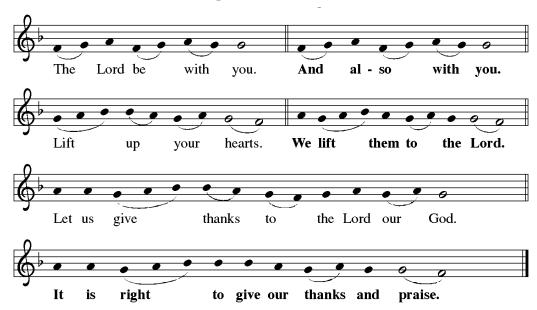
Paul J. Monachino

Please stand as able.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, Holy One, 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.** 

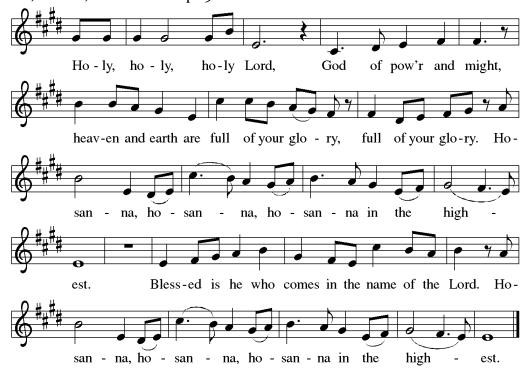
## **GREAT THANKSGIVING:** ELW p.190



## **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: ELW p.190



## **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

## LORD'S PRAYER

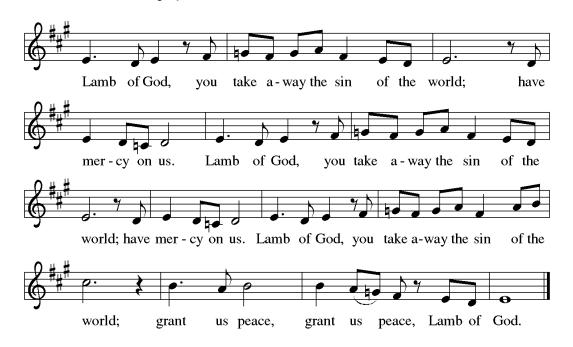
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** *Please be seated*.

**COMMUNION** - We invite you to join with us in the sacrament of Holy Communion, as Jesus invites us all to the table. Please take an empty communion glass from the trays at the front of the church. The innermost ring of glasses are pre-filled with grape juice for those who prefer juice to wine. There are discard trays by the side aisles. Please follow the directions of the Ushers.

LAMB OF GOD: ELW p.191



**COMMUNION HYMNS:** ELW 715

ELW 838

Christ, Be Our Light CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT Beautiful Savior SCHONSTER HERR JESU

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as able.

God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## **SENDING**

#### BLESSING

God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, + bless you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

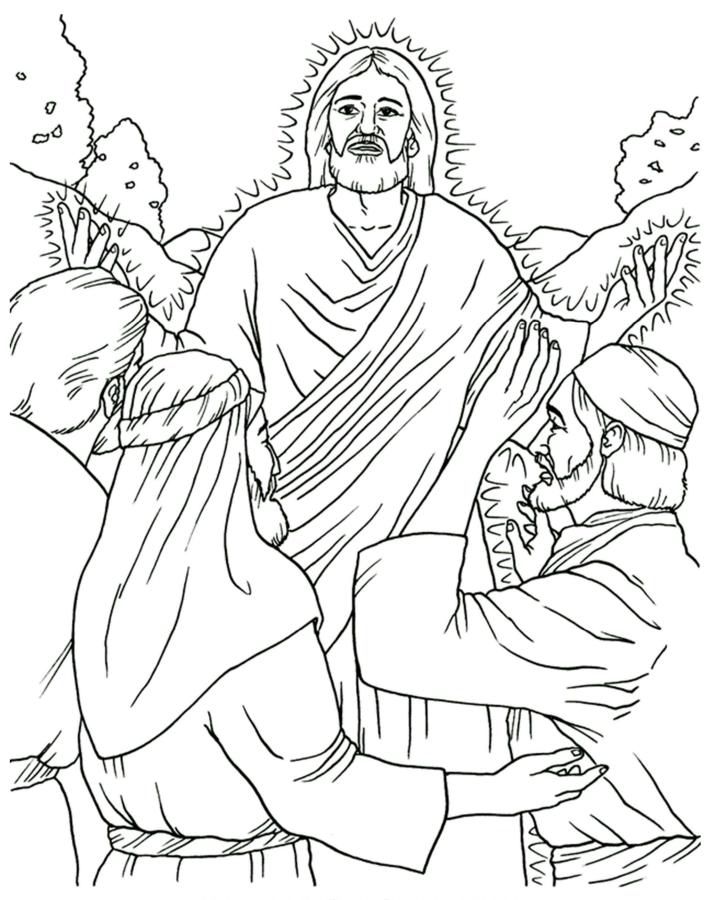
**SENDING HYMN:** ELW 866 We Are Marching in the Light SIYAHAMBA

## **DISMISSAL:**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Sonata in C Padre Antonio Soler

Please stay for the Congregational Meeting following worship followed by the Soup Cook-Off



THE TRANSFIGURATION