

Zion Lutheran

Mission: Creating Community Through
God's Love and Guidance



Transfiguration of our Lord
February 11, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK– Stephanie Draheim “Help for the Homeless”

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #532 “Gather Us In”

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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 Jesus Christ,
your sins are forgiven.

You are God’s beloved. **Amen.**

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

FIRST READING

2 Kings 2:1-12

A reading from 2 Kings.

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.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 50: 1-6

Read Responsively

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

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

A reading from 2 Corinthians.

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.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Setting 8

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:2-9

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Dazzling Presence on the Mountain



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



cloud ex - claimed. Word made flesh to heal cre - a - tion,
 ten - tial sigh. With trans - fig - ur - ing as - sur - ance,
 bids us build, that the earth he loves may flour - ish
 end - less - ly, may the church's praise be lift - ed



to dis - ci - ples God pro - claimed.
 Christ re - joins his fer - vent cry.
 as each life with grace is filled.
 to the bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

God of grace, receive our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.

OFFERING

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Beautiful Savior"

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

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

PREFACE

HOLY HOLY HOLY

Setting 8



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

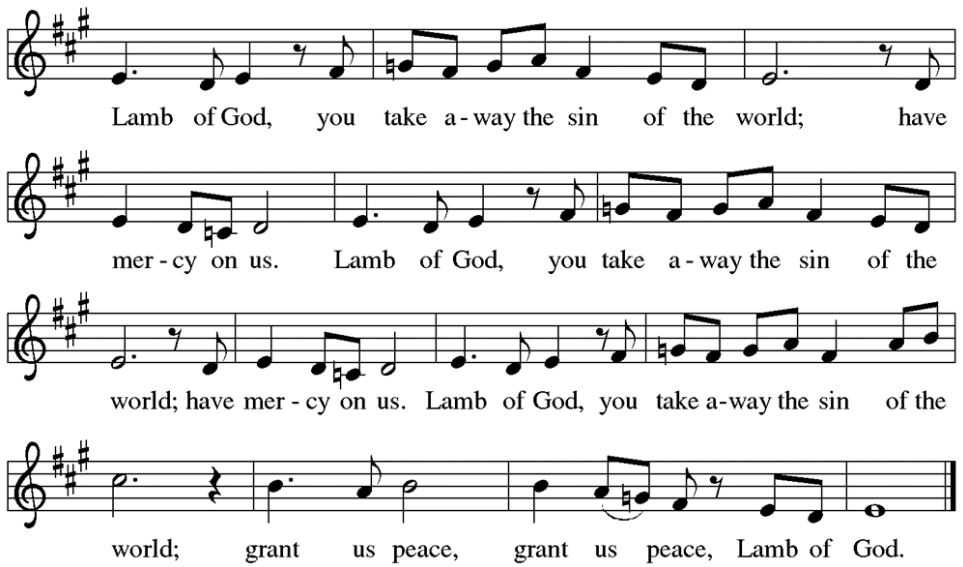
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE 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.

LAMB OF GOD

Setting 8



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, Lamb of God.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN#464 "Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal "

TABLE BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.
Amen.

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 #671

“Shine, Jesus, Shine ”

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are God’s beloved.

**Creating Community through God’s Love and Guidance —
thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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Welcome!

We invite visitors to complete the card in the pew and put it in
the collection basket. Thank You!

Announcements

Sanctuary Secrets: Join the Confirmation class in the Sanctuary
after worship (10:30-11:15 AM) on Feb. 11 & Feb. 18. Here are
the topics to be discussed:

2/11/24 The Church Calendar

2/18/24 Meet in the Chapel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be an Ash Wednesday service this Wednesday at 6:00pm.

Lent services will be held Feb, 21, Feb. 28, March 6, March 13 & March 20. The LENT SOUP SUPPERS will be at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall. If you are interested in volunteering to setup, clean up or bring a dessert for one of the Wednesday Lent soup suppers, please sign up in the narthex. The service will be at 6:00pm.

The 2024 Help for the Homeless Hygiene drive is Feb. 11 – Mar. 3. The hygiene drive partners with the community to help stock the shelves of 100+ homeless and crisis programs in 19 Wisconsin communities. The goal of the program is to supply a year's worth of products to each agency. Donations remain in the community they come from. Purchase new, unused hygiene and cleaning supplies and drop them off in the box at the back of the sanctuary. Here are the most urgent needs:

- Soaps: laundry, dish, soft, shower gel, 2-in-1 shampoo
- Trash bags (shelters especially need these for bedrooms)
- Diapers (sizes 3-6 and Pull-Ups)
- Deodorant (unscented)
- Wet wipes
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Disposable razors
- Tampons and maxi pads

Copies of the February messenger are in the back of the sanctuary.

The office staff is preparing the 2024 guidebook. Please fill out the form in the narthex if your contact information has changed so that our directory is accurate.

Moving forward any bulletin announcements and messenger information should be emailed to the office coordinator, Kimberly Gordon at kimberly@zionappleton.org.

If you have an event, meeting or anything you would like the congregation to know about please let the office know so Kimberly can put it on the calendar. Items are due by the 15th of each month for the next month.

Scholarship Information: Are you a Senior in High School and an active member of Zion? Get a Scholarship application from the Church Office window ledge beginning February 11, 2024. The awards are based on accomplishments, grade point, need, and an essay on the impact of Jesus Christ and the Christian faith in the life of the applicant. Only Zion members are eligible. ALL PARTS of the application (including reference support letters) must be IN THE CHURCH OFFICE BY 11:00AM ON SUNDAY, March 17, 2024. Call the church with questions at 739-3104.

Linwood Community is holding special events in February. They are open for anyone to attend. Feb. 15th at 2:00pm will be Keeping Your Mind Sharp. Presented by their wellness coordinator, Yon Abel. If you have any questions you can contact Lynn Ann Clausing Rusch at Linwood Community at 920-734-7225.

In the narthex there is a list of members that we need current addresses for so we can contact them. If you have any information on these members please contact the office with that information. Thank you.

The Fox Valley Lions Medical Equipment Locker provides access to medical equipment without charge to the residents of the Fox Valley communities. If you have any unused or unwanted medical equipment that is in good condition, please consider donating it to them. Hearing aid batteries can be donated and people can come in and request free hearing aid batteries. Currently, there are 13, 312 and some 675 batteries. For more information, please visit their website: <https://sites.google.com/view/fvlml/home>

THIS WEEEK AT ZION

Sunday, February 11

2 Kings 2:1-12, Ps 50:1-6

2 Cor 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am

Worship Service 9:00 am

Followed by

Coffee Hour

Sunday School & Confirmation

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Pastor Warren Egebo

Assisting Minister: Tom Meltz

Acolyte: Alexa Rusch

Musician: Heather Watney

Opens: Jim Schley

Closes: Greg Pettigrew

Wednesday, February 14

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17, Ps 51:1-17

2 Cor 5:20b-6:10, Matt 6:1-6, 16-21

Worship Service 6:00 pm

Ash Wednesday Service

Pastor Mike Dismer

Assisting Minister: Deb Reis

Musician: Heather Watney

Opens and Closes: Gwen Schwandt

Tower RingerZ Rehearsal 4:15pm

Sunday, February 18

Gen 9:8-17, Ps 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am

Worship Service 9:00 am

Followed by

Coffee Hour

Sunday School & Confirmation

First Week of Lent

Pastor Jan LaVake

Assisting Minister: Wendy Sachs

Acolyte: Charlee Weiland

Musician: William Surtees

Opens: Gwen Schwandt

Closes: Greg Pettigrew