



## Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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### Transfiguration of Our Lord

Sunday February 11, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

## Welcome and Call to Worship

Let us go to the mountain with Jesus,

**To the mountain where we see the Light, the Light of the World.**

Let us go to the mountain with Moses and Elijah,

**Where we witness the story, God's story, illuminated for us.**

Let us go to the mountain with God

**Where we hear confirmed, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him!"**

**We come to witness, experience and listen. Amen.**

## 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. *(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 Song

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

(Chorus) Open the eyes of my heart Lord Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You I want to see You (repeat chorus)

To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy holy holy

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You (Chorus x2)

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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.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. **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.**

## Special Music

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River” arr. Valerie W. Stephenson

Handbell Choir; Directed by: Bev Splinter

## First Reading

2 Kings 2:1-12

<sup>1</sup>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.

Word of God, word of life. **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.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

“Seize My Heart”

Seize my heart and turn it Your way I have been willing but I've gone astray  
So upon my knees to worship and pray I start anew today (repeat from beginning)

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9<sup>th</sup> Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-9

<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.

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

## Sermon

“On Mountain”

Pastor Dan Overbo

## Hymn of the Day

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

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## 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.

## Prayer Song

“Holy Spirit”

Holy Spirit You are welcome here Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere

Your glory God is what our hearts long for To be overcome by Your Presence Lord

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## Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: *Kevin Pierce, Ashlea West, Mark Mandery, Linda Schoepp, Nicole Rislov, Gretchen Morrow Bray- Daughter of Darline Morrow & Sister of Ann (Greg) DeSpiegler, Daryl Bailey- Step-son of Darlene Bailey, Matt Schlaht-Friend of Rachel & Jesse Hauck,*

Deaths: *Joyce Foster, Jerry Rokusek, Jim Leuning, Ervin Schumacher Tom Myers- Husband of Helga Myers, Step-father of Ron (Robbyn) Givens*

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## Offering

*Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew*

*Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month:*

***Lutherans Outdoors of South Dakota***



## Offertory Response

“Create In Me A Clean Heart”

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## Offering Prayer

O God, great giver of all that is, give one more thing:

**A desire to know you as you truly are.**

We open our hearts and our hands to you,

**Even as you have opened our eyes.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

## Announcements

### 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 Song

“Jesus Messiah”

He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness

He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing love so amazing

(Chorus) Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel

The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah Lord of all

His body the bread His blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love

The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn Love so amazing love so amazing (chorus)

All our hope is in You All our hope is in You All the glory to You God The Light of the world (chorus)

Jesus Messiah Lord of all The Lord of all The Lord of all

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### Call to Service

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Please share the peace, as well as your name when you leave today.

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## Serving This Morning

**Preaching:** Pastor Dan Overbo; **Sound & Projection:** Zach Stanton, Roger Whittle; **Worship Team;**

**Ushers:** Kevin Luoma, Barb & Mike Carson; **Coffee Servers:** Kevin & Bernie Luoma; **Acolyte:** Avery Kruse;

**Lector:** Tyllie Schlimgen;



**FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

**HYMN OF THE WEEK**

*Seek Ye First*

**WEEKLY MILESTONES**

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

**CARING CONVERSATIONS**

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something you want to learn more about?
- What questions would you like to ask Jesus about his life?

**DEVOTIONS**

*Read:* Mark 9:2-9.

Transfiguration Sunday serves as a bridge between Epiphany and Lent. Epiphany includes many stories revealing who Jesus is through his teachings and miracles. Lent is the season that reflects on being a follower who is true to Jesus as Savior and Lord. The transfiguration story in Mark 9 comes amid three accounts of Jesus' suffering and death (Mark 8:31-33, 9:30-32, and 10:32-34). The transfiguration story ends by pointing to Jesus rising from the dead. On the mountain, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. This is a scene that perceives the end of history when Elijah and Moses were expected to return. It is a defining moment for Jesus. Peter, James, and John were terrified, and Peter spoke but did not really know what to say. The disciples were to be silent and listen to Jesus. When we think of Jesus' journey to the cross, we, too, as Jesus' disciples are asked to reflect, listen, and humbly grow in our understanding of who Jesus is as the Son of God and the Beloved.

*Discuss:* How do you think the transfiguration of Jesus made a difference for Peter, James, and John?

*Pray:* Ever-present God, help us to see and trust that your saving work is with us so that we may not fear, complain, or forget your goodness to us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**SERVICE**

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you help someone grow in the Christian faith?

**RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

The church season of Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday, February 14. There are 40 days in the season of Lent, a time to refocus our lives on God. One spiritual practice that Christians emphasize during Lent is prayer. Make this Lent a time of prayer for others. Use separate pieces of paper to write the name of a person you can pray for during Lent. Place these papers into a prayer box. Each day in Lent, pull out a slip of paper from the prayer box and ask God to care for and bless the person named. Add names to the box throughout Lent.

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)



taking  
faith  
home

THE WEEKLY WORD - ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ENROLLING NOW 2024-25**  
PRE-KINDERGARTEN

**Monday-Thursday**  
We will fill the morning class first and if there's an interest, we will open an afternoon class. You can find an enrollment form at the Welcome Center, the Preschool classroom, or online.  
*\*Must be 4 by September 1, 2024. Open to all, not just LCOOR members.*

**FEBRUARY CIRCLES & BIBLE STUDY**

- Martha Circle will meet at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12, in the Gathering Space
- Priscilla Circle will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, in the Gathering Space.

**CRAFT NIGHT**  
Mason Jar Flower Displays

**Tuesday, Feb. 20**  
**@ 6:30pm \$15**  
SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER

**ROUTE 56**  
Grade

**Route 56 Youth Group**  
5th-6th Graders

This month we will meet on **Monday, February 26** from **6-7:30 p.m.** for fellowship, snacks, crafts & more!

**MEETS MONTHLY ON A MONDAY**

**TIMMERMAN SCHOLARSHIPS**

More information and applications are available in the church office, at the Welcome Center or online at [lcoorwatertown.org](http://lcoorwatertown.org) under the resources tab.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MAY 30, 2024**

**HELPERS NEEDED TO DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS**  
FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 1

Please contact Twila at 605-886-2696 if you are available to help.

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF**

**We are collecting fabric kits in February.**

Instructions can be found at the Welcome Center or in the church office.

**FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH**  
Lutherans Outdoors of South Dakota

Mission of the Month dollars are above and beyond your regular giving. Please clearly mark your offering with Mission of the Month. Thank you!

**ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**  
February 14

**12:15 p.m.** Worship with soup luncheon to follow

**6:30 p.m.** Worship

Both services will include communion & imposition of ashes.

**SALVATION ARMY DONATIONS**

**Boxed Potatoes & Hamburger Helper**

As you go grocery shopping, please consider picking up a couple extras to donate. Drop these items off at LCOOR and we will deliver them to the Salvation Army. Thank you!



**Sunday February 11**

8:30 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry  
 8:30 a.m. Church School  
 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship  
 6:00 p.m. Luther League 2.0 (7-12 Grade)

**Monday February 12**

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry  
 2:00 p.m. Martha Circle  
 6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

**Tuesday February 13**

11:00 a.m. Text Study  
 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. Executive Committee  
 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

**Wednesday February 14**

*Ash Wednesday*  
*Preschool Valentine's Day Party*  
 8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry  
 9:00 a.m. Priscilla Circle  
 12:15 p.m. Worship- Holy Communion  
 1:15 p.m. Ash Wednesday Soup Luncheon  
 6:30 p.m. Worship- Holy Communion  
 7:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal  
 7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday February 15**

9:00 a.m. Quilting  
 10:00 a.m. Pastors Conference  
 1:15 p.m. Chair Yoga  
 5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

**Friday February 16**

*Church Office Closes at Noon*  
 8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry  
 9:00 a.m. Quilting

**Saturday February 17**

*Stewardship Moment*  
 10:00 a.m. Prairie Coteau WELCA Planning Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship- Holy Communion

**Sunday February 18**

*Stewardship Moment*  
 8:30 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry  
 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship- Holy Communion

**VOLUNTEER** - LCOOR Serves Church on the Street - Sat. March 9 (Est. Time: 9:30am-1:30pm)  
 Sign up at the Welcome Center.

**Attendance & Offering**

January 28 Live Stream- 97  
 Saturday, February 3 - 72  
 Sunday, February 4- 247  
 Wednesday, February 7- 154  
Offering (2/4):  
 General Fund: \$8,174;  
 Debt Reduction: \$70;  
 Mission of the Month: \$136.17;  
 Church School: \$30.57  
Simply Giving Offering (1/29-2/2):  
 General Fund: \$10,068.26;  
 Debt Reduction: \$58; Other: \$322;  
 Mission of the Month: \$80

**Staff**

**Senior Pastor**  
 Dan Overbo  
**Associate Pastor**  
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**FEBRUARY 11, 2024  
 TRANSFIGURATION  
 OF OUR LORD**

*Disciples humbly grow in their understanding of Jesus.*

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mark 9:2-9</b>	<b>Transfiguration of Jesus</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2 Kings 2:1-12</b>	<b>Elijah is taken into heaven</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>2 Corinthians 4:3-6</b>	<b>Proclaiming Jesus as Lord</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1 Peter 2:1-10</b>	<b>A chosen people</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Colossians 1:3-14</b>	<b>A prayer of thanks</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Hebrews 5:11-14</b>	<b>Warning against turning away</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Psalms 50:1-6</b>	<b>God shines brightly</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mark 1:9-15</b>	<b>Temptation of Jesus</b>

**SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

*Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"* **Mark 9:7 (NRSV)**

**PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

**A Prayer for the Week:**

Awesome God, help us humbly to live a life that reflects your power and glory meant for us and all the world through Jesus Christ, your Beloved. Amen.

**Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear God, help us to see in this meal your power and glory that shines brightly; give us thankful hearts for this food provided for us by your love. Amen.

**A Blessing to Give:**

May God bless you with faith in Christ.

