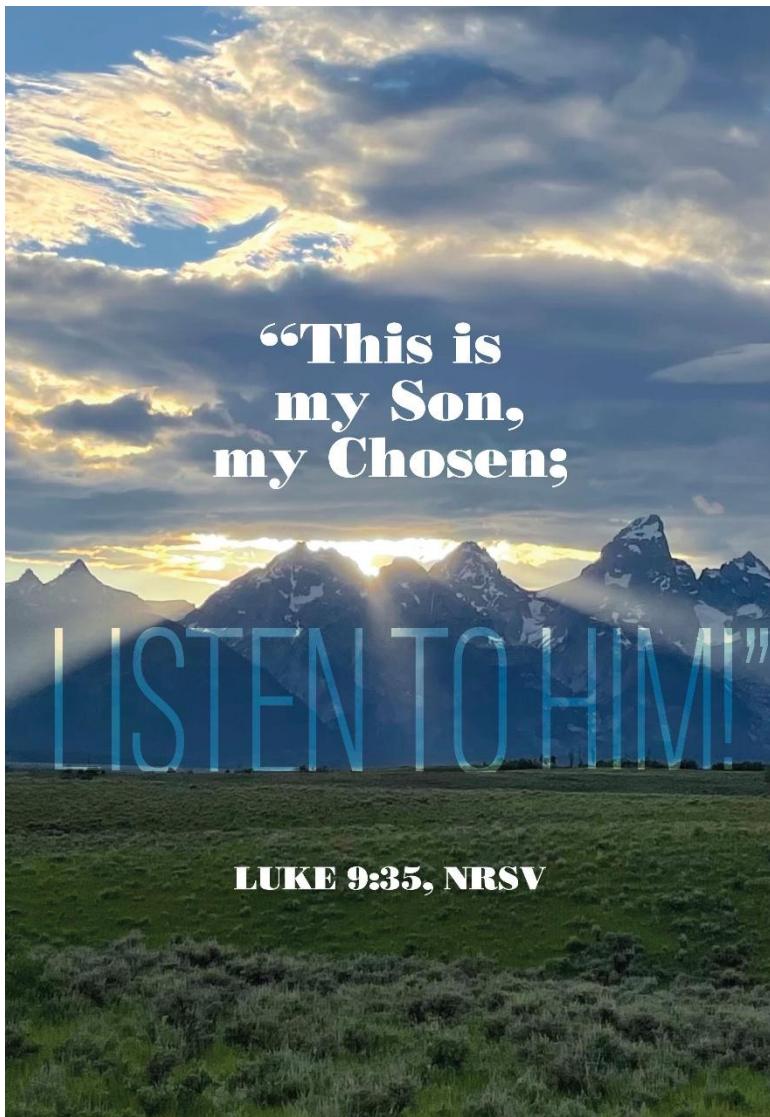


REDEMPTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Transfiguration Sunday





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Pre-Service Meditation:

John 5:39-40 ³⁹You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about Me, ⁴⁰yet you refuse to come to Me that you may have life.

Prayer: Dear Heavenly Father, Our flesh rebels against Your will, and our desire is not for Your righteousness. Lead our hearts to look at the life of Jesus and feel convicted over our sin, for His life is what we should have been. But, O Father, help us also to receive with faith, the fact that Jesus came to live that perfect life for me, and that He died to pay for my debt of sin. He was buried and rose again to overcome death for me, and that in Him, I have forgiveness and eternal life. We pray in Jesus' name, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Opening:

TLH 1 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

Invocation

P In the Name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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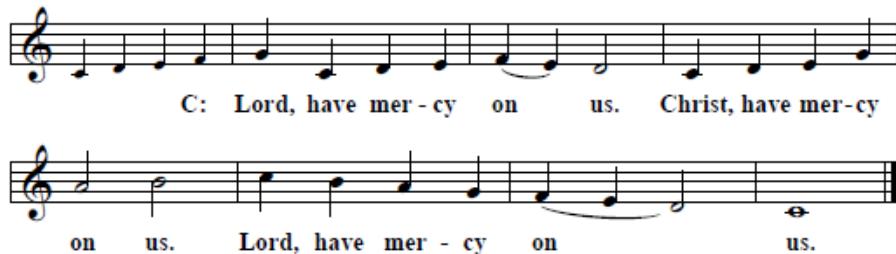
P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C Amen.

L O R D , H A V E M E R C Y Kyrie



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy on us.
Lord, have mer - cy on us.

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,

Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:

We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
 Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,

Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray... O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your Son You confirmed the testimony of Moses and the prophets, and in the voice that came from the bright cloud You wondrously foreshadowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with Jesus our King, and bring us to Your glorious home in heaven, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

C Amen.

¹ Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³ And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴ When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then He said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ And He said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 148 Selected Verses

P Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,

C **Fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling His word!**

P Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

C **Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!**

P Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

C **Young men and maidens together, old men and children!**

P Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted;

C **His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

P He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints,

C **for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the LORD!**

¹² Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, ¹³ not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. ¹⁴ But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. ¹⁵ Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶ But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

Confession of Faith:**Apostles Creed**

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the
dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the
living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn:**WS 743 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise****Sermon****John 5:39-47**

³⁹ You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about Me, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to Me that you may have life. ⁴¹ I do not receive glory from people. ⁴² But I know that you do not have the love of God within you. ⁴³ I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me.

If another comes in his own name, you will receive him.⁴⁴ How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?⁴⁵ Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope.⁴⁶ For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote of Me.⁴⁷ But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?

Jesus Unveils Access to the Father

- 1. Rejecting Him hides access to the Father**
- 2. Believing in Him reveals access to the Father**

Offertory:

Create In Me

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Hymn:

LSB 891 O Light Whose Splendor

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

C 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

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-25

C Amen.

Hymn:

LSB 914 Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten

Announcements

WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.

Upcoming Events:

- **Annual Meeting:** Our Annual Meeting will be held following this morning's service. Sub sandwiches will be provided.
- **Memorial Service:** A memorial service is planned for Mary Ann Moore on Sunday, February 1st at 1pm. Our regular church service will be held at 11:30 that Sunday.

Call News:

- Pastor Johnathan Schnose of Bethel Ev. Lutheran in Morris, MN ***is considering the call*** to Trinity Ev. Lutheran in Spokane, WA.
- Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Sheperd Lutheran in Rapid City, SD ***has received the call*** to Holy Cross Lutheran in Phoenix, AZ.

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, February 1st Redemption Sunday Service at 11:30

Sunday, February 8th Redemption Communion Sunday at 9

Sunday, February 15th Redemption Sunday Service at 9

891 O Light Whose Splendor

1 O Light whose splendor thrills and glad - dens
2 As twi - light hov - ers near at sun - set,
3 In all life's brill - iant time - less mo - ments,

With ra - diance bright - er than the sun,
And lamps are lit, and chil - dren nod,
Let faith ful voic - es sing Your praise,

Pure gleam of God's un - end - ing glo - ry,
In eve - ning hymns we lift our voic - es
O Son of God, our Life be stow - er,

O Je - sus, blest A - noint - ed One;
To Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son: - one God.
Whose glo - ry light - ens end - less days.

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914 Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten

1 Light of Light, O Sole - Be - got - ten Ra - diance of the
 2 Word e - ter - nal, through Your be - ing God cre - at - ed
 3 Still Your brood - ing Spir - it hov - ers O - ver cha - os,
 4 Come, Lord Je - sus, by Your Spir - it In our hearts Your

Fa - ther's face, Word made flesh, who lived a - mong us
 all we see, When the emp - ty spac - es ech - oed
 dark and deep, Call - ing out with in - vi - ta - tion:
 work be - gin, Bring the heal - ing res - to - ra - tion

Full of truth and full of grace, Shine up - on our
 With the Fa - ther's "Let there be . . ." Light and life burst
 "Rise, a - wak - en from your sleep; Christ the Lord will
 Of Your im - age lost by sin; From Your full - ness

hu - man dark - ness; Pierce the night that shrouds our race.
 from the glo - rious Pow - er of Your maj - es - ty!
 shine up - on you And from death your soul shall keep."
 all re - ceiv - ing Grace on grace, new life with - in!

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