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Sunday, February 27th, 2022
Transfiguration Sunday

Prelude
 Tower Bells
 Welcome
 Announcements

Visitors are encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the “Welcome” side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate near the entrance doors.

Worship Notes: No matter what is happening in our lives and in the whole world, the promise of God is that death is not the final reality for God’s people – Jesus’ victory over sin and Satan, and finally over death itself is our reality. Transfiguration Sunday notes a number of transitions in our worship life. The outreach and hope of the season of Epiphany moves toward the contemplation of our Savior’s suffering and death during Lent, starting with Ash Wednesday just three days from today. The transfiguration of Jesus showed His divine glory and God the Father proclaimed Jesus to be His Son, the Christ. In the Gospel accounts it is recorded that at this time Jesus started teaching His disciples to expect His suffering, death and resurrection. That was His saving work for them (and us) as the Messiah, the Christ. Today we know and believe in Jesus’ victory over death and evil, yet we still are waiting and serving Jesus in this vale of tears; waiting for His final return. Thus, we say and confess with St. Paul:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

“O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Opening Hymn

The People That in Darkness Sat

LSB 412

Order of Matins LSB 219

Invocation (*Stand*)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

(Sing entire opening liturgy)

O Lord, open my lips,

and my mouth will declare Your praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

make haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Praise to You, O Christ, Alleluia.

Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
O come, let us worship Him.

Venite LSB 220

O come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

**Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving,
let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.**

**For the Lord is a great God
and a great king above all gods.
The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
the strength of the hills is His also.**

Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
O come, let us worship Him.

Introit Psalm 99 (*spoken*)

1 The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

2 The LORD is great in Zion;
he is exalted over all the peoples.

3 Let them praise your great and awesome name!
Holy is he!

4 The King in his might loves justice.
**You have established equity;
you have executed justice
and righteousness in Jacob.**

5 Exalt the LORD our God;
worship at his footstool!
Holy is he!

**The sea is His, for He made it,
and His hand formed the dry land.
O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.**

**For He is our God, and we are the people of
His pasture and the sheep of His hand.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

6 Moses and Aaron were among his priests,
Samuel also was among those who called
upon his name.

They called to the LORD, and he answered them.

7 In the pillar of the cloud he spoke to them;
they kept his testimonies
and the statute that he gave them.

8 O LORD our God, you answered them;
**you were a forgiving God to them,
but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

9 Exalt the LORD our God,
and worship at his holy mountain;
for the LORD our God is holy!

1 Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, 2 all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, 3 the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. 4 And the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there." 5 So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, 6 and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. 7 Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. 8 And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

9 And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. 10 And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, 11 none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, 12 and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 15:42-58

42 So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. 43 It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. 45 Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46 But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual. 47 The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. 48 As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of heaven, so also are those who are of heaven. 49 Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

50 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. 53 For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 54 When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

"Death is swallowed up in victory."

55 "O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem – *Beautiful Savior*

Gospel Reading

Luke 9:28-36 (*Congregation Stands*)

28 Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. 29 And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. 30 And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, 31 who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. 32 Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. 33 And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. 34 As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. 35 And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” 36 And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsory LSB 221

(Sing) P: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

P: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Children’s Message

Sermon Hymn

Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won

LSB 490

Sermon

Canticle Hymn

Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

LSB 414

(Offering Brought Forward on Last Verse of Hymn)

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, in prayer Your Son, Jesus, revealed His glory to Peter, James and John. Grant that we, also gathered in prayer, would see Him by faith and receive from Him the redemption He has accomplished for us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, Your Son shines in resurrected light. Illuminate Your Church with His own brightness, that she would tell the world of His mighty deliverance. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, as You appointed Moses of old to lead Your people, so You sent Your Son, Jesus, to found and lead Your Church. Sustain us from age to age, and grant us teachers of righteousness to guide us in the days to come. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, as Your Son cares faithfully for His Holy Church, grant us a sure confidence in Him and give us faithful hearts to serve Him according to the callings He has given us. We ask you to bless Zion's Food Bank distribution this week, grant that all participating may be blessed. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Father, You alone establish all authority on earth. Bless those entrusted with this responsibility both here and abroad, that they would serve with integrity and honor and for the well-being of all – we remember before Your throne of grace and power, our military persons, chaplains, police, sheriffs, national guard and all other law enforcement. Thank you for, and please protect, all who serve us in rescue, firefighting, emergency and medical services.

Grant that all warfare and division in the world, conflict and strife in our country would give way to unity, peace and quietness. Grant Your mercy to those suffering and mourning now in the midst of war. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father of all comfort, as we follow the way of Your apostles into Your presence, You join our prayers to the ceaseless petitions of Your dear Son. Hear us for the sake of the troubled and sick [*especially _____*]. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember on this day the glorious manifestation of Your Son's divinity on the Mount of Transfiguration. **Teach us to listen to Jesus and ever fix our eyes on Him and His innocent suffering and death for our forgiveness.**

By Your grace and mercy, strengthen us to remain faithful in all circumstances of trial, temptation and persecution. **Preserve us to the end, that we may die a blessed death believing in Your beloved Son with whom You are well pleased; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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Contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.

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Kyrie (*Sing*)

LSB 227

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

The Collect

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. With Your voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshadowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (*spoken*)

P: (Spoken) The Lord be with you.

C: And with your spirit.

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

LSB 417

Silent Prayer

Extinguish Candles

Postlude and Depart in His Peace

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