

Transfiguration of Our Lord
February 23, 2020
9:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters.

C Amen.

P As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God who searches us and knows us,

C you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven.

Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

C Amen

Gathering Hymn

'Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise'

834

Greeting

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

C And also with you.

please be seated

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

First Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the

cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Second Reading

2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia'

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

please be seated

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'How Good, Lord, to be Here!'

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Apostles' Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

Peace *The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you". (If you are not feeling well, please do not shake hands but rather use other appropriate greetings.)*

please be seated

Offertory Hymn

'The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing'

531

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Offering Prayer

A God of wonder,

C **you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

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Lord's Prayer

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please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand.

Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God'	p. 154
'Taste and See'	493
'Alleluia! Voices Raise'	828

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Faithful God,

C you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Blessing

P May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

C Amen

Sending Hymn 'Alleluia, Song of Gladness' 318

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Let your light shine.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Worship Assistants: February 23

Greeters: Mason – Nina Williams
East – Mary & Tom Jensen

Assisting Ministers: Mandie Klauer

Lector: Brian Klauer

Communion: Marty Grow

Ushers: Joe Wilharms

Accompanist: Becky Luett

Attendance 02/16/20: 9:30 – 68

Grilled Cheese Lunch: 02/13/20: 48

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today. There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, you are welcome here.

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Marie Mueller.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Margaret Congdon; Mike VerKuilen; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev; Jim Marks; Darlene, Linda Grebe's mom; Judy Cross; Tom Muggenthaler; Gene Krull; Ole Olson; Gerry Kerwell; Joyce; Ken and Edna; Paula.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Louie Dumke; Sam Strong; Barb; Megan Scovronski.

For comfort to the family of Bob Clauson (Deb Werth's father) with his passing Feb 12th.

"Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer." Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (422-1090) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the card** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Check out the **Grace Web Site** www.gracelutheranappleton.org for updated information about our congregation. We also have a feature – Daily Devotions. Every day a new devotion is on our website. Check them out!

The Music/Worship Committee would like to have Congregational Song Leaders to help lead the singing. These individuals would rotate like the lectors do. If you are interested, please talk to Becky. Thanks!

Once again it is the **season of snow**. In case of extreme weather, Grace will announce any closures thru the radio on WHBY 1150 AM and thru the TV on station WBAY (ABC).

If you give through your bank, remember to update your **envelope number**, in the account Section, to your **2020 envelope number**.

During this cold and flu season, there is now **hand sanitizer** by the front pew if you would like to use it before communion.

Lent starts with Ash Wednesday on February 26. We will have a worship service at 6:30 pm that day. We are not having Lenten Midweek services here at Grace.

Midweek Lenten Services will be held in Linwood Commons at **FVLH** at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays, March 4,11,18,25 and April 1

LOAVES & FISHES MEAL: 5:30-6:30pm, Mon., Wed. & Fri. nights at St. Therese Parish Activity Center. Dining room opens at 5pm. Parking off Summer Street. Entrance at East end of the building through the double glass doors. FREE meals are for anyone. Volunteers needed to help 10:15am. All are welcome! Call 920-750-0964 or email staff@loavesandfishesfv.org.



During **Lent** we will be collecting items for Pillars. Each Sunday in Lent we will also have a noisy offering to help Pillars serve those in need. Bring your loose change.

AAA Batteries

Air Freshener – Plug ins or Non Aerosol Spray

Air Mattresses (New)

Alcohol-free Mouthwash

Bath Towels and or Wash Cloths

Chicken Broth

Chips

Coffee Creamer (powdered or single serve)

Coffee

Cough Drops

Crackers

Digital Alarm Clocks

Dish Soap and Hand Soap

Dixie Cups

Flip Flops (Adult and Child Sizes)

Garbage Bags 13, 39, or 55 Gallon

Granola Bars

Juice

Napkins and Paper Plates and Toilet Paper

Grace has been gifted with a lovely set of hand bells. If you would be interested in finding out about the possibility of forming a handbell choir here at Grace, grab your coffee and snack and meet Becky in the Martin Beyer room at 10:45 after worship today! Give Becky a call if you are interested but can't come, at 920-594-2016. Thanks!

Save your change!!!

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Please consider joining the **Women of the ELCA** at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 2330 E. Calumet St. Appleton for our Appleton Conference Spring Event on Saturday March 21, 2020 from 8-1 pm.

Conference Cost: Adults \$15 and students 18 and under \$10

**Make checks payable to WELCA-Prince of Peace
Send registration by March 7 to Leslie Fens 1833 E.
Hulke Dr. Appleton, WI 54915. Email
fens4usa@att.net**

Registration forms are available on the bulletin board by the parking lot entrance and the table in the narthex.

Other Music:

Prelude - "Great Is the Lord" by Michael & Deborah Smith & "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" by John Bacchus Dykes, arranged by Phillip Keveren

Postlude - "He Is Exalted/Praise Him! Praise Him!" arranged by Susan Naylor Callaway.

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Feb 23 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

Monday, Feb 247:30 pm AA Meeting

Tuesday, Feb 258:30 am Quilters

Wednesday, Feb 26 9:00 am Bible Study
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Worship

Thursday, Feb 2710:30 am Grilled Cheese

Friday, Feb 28 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Saturday, Feb 299:00 a.m. Hmong Service
9:00 am FV Kindness Connect in PAC

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