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The Transfiguration of Our Lord February 11, 2018



***“He was transfigured before them, and His clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them.”
Mark 9:2-3***

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS: Jane Williams – February 15th

♪ **Thanks for our friends who celebrate
And God's rich blessings contemplate.
Praise for another year on earth.
Praise to the Lord who gives us birth. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN “O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair” #413

Please stand

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 145:9*

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord
People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
People: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**

Lord, as we reflect on Your mercy, we realize anew our need for Your forgiveness. We confess our many sins and repent of our loveless words, actions, and thoughts. Create in us clean hearts, gracious Lord, and put new and right spirits within us, that we may know the fullness of Your love and reflect it in thankful lives.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen**

PSALM OF THE DAY

(Psalms 51:15, 70:1, 95:1-7)

Pastor: O Lord, open Thou my lips,

People: ♪ **And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.**

Pastor: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

People: ♪ **make haste to help me, O Lord.**

All: ♪ **Glory be to the Father and to the Son ✕ and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Hallelujah!**

ANTIPHON

Pastor: The Lord has enlightened us in the true faith.

People: **O come, let us worship Him.**

Pastor: Oh, come let us worship the Lord.

People: ♪ **For He is our maker.**

VENITE

People: ♪ **O come, let us sing unto the Lord,
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving,
and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.**

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

**The sea is His, and He made it,
and His hands form-ed 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 Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Please be Seated

OLD TESTAMENT *2 Kings 2:1-12*

(Elijah is taken to heaven on a fiery chariot in a whirlwind.)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *2 Corinthians 3:12-4:6*

(We need not fear being near God as Israel did at Mount Sinai.)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

VERSE *Isaiah 49:3*

Pastor: Alleluia. You are the most handsome of the sons of men;

People: grace is poured upon Your lips. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 9:2-9*

(Jesus is transfigured in the presence of three disciples.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES CREED *printed on the last page of the pew hymnal*

Please be Seated

HYMN OF THE DAY “Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here” #414

SERMON **“The Transfiguration of our Lord”** Mark 9:2-9
 Pastor Tim Staffeld

Please Stand

CANTICLE – TE DEUM
 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God #941

Please be Seated

OFFERING AND ORGAN OFFERATORY

Please Stand

KYRIE

All: ♪ **Lord, have mercy upon us;**
 Christ, have mercy upon us;
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the Church, the world, and all people in their various needs.

We give thanks, heavenly Father, that You sent Your Son to be our Savior. Bless all who proclaim His true glory in going to the cross as the atonement for our sins. Grant that His light may shine through us here in our congregation, wherever people of faith gather around Word and Sacrament, and through Your servants everywhere in their public and private lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord over all, who has placed the world's leaders in power, give them opportunity and guidance that they may strive for peace among the nations and rededicate themselves to human liberty and justice for their citizens. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Holy Spirit, bless artists and tradespeople, farmers and ranchers, scientists and technicians; use the gifts You have given them to open our eyes to understand Your good creation and share its blessings. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord Jesus, guide and protect armed forces deployed and police, fire, and first responders at home. Give them courage and compassion so that we all may live in peace and dignity. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Loving Lord, hear the spoken and silent prayers of those unknown to us—the lonely and forgotten in society, those in broken homes, and all who need nurture, justice, and dignity. Answer them according to Your gracious will. Likewise, we pray for those near and dear to us, especially Liz Kraft, Myron Kimber, Paul Krahenbuhl and Pastor Bradley Zerkel who is mourning the loss of his mother. Use us to surround them with Your love, that they may know Your presence to heal and comfort. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, use the Word we have heard to strengthen the faith the Spirit has graciously placed within us. We place all these petitions before You, knowing that Your answers are better than our prayers. Receive them all for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Matthew 6:9–13)*

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray...

All: Our Father...

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People:  And with thy spirit

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

All: Lord God, make Your Word a Word of power and peace. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to our life that, by your grace, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it, the demonstration of our faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.
People: ♪ Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
People ♪ Amen.

FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA

Pastor: Today marks the end of the Epiphany season, and in a few days we begin Lent on Ash Wednesday. It is traditional to mute our joy during Lent by not singing Alleluias. We say our “farewell to Alleluia” as we sing the final hymn.

HYMN “Alleluia, Song of Gladness” #417

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THE MESSENGER

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AS WE GATHER: This day ends the Epiphany season and prepares us for Lent. Jesus has been revealing His true nature through His words and actions, and on the Mount of Transfiguration three disciples see His glory revealed as transfiguring light. Moses and Elijah appear with Him, talking about His departure in Jerusalem. But our Lord then commands the disciples not to tell about the event until after Easter. Because we live after His resurrection, Paul writes in the Epistle, we recognize Jesus' true glory in going to the cross for us, for God has "shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ" (*2 Corinthians 4:6*).

WELCOME! Dear guest, we pray that your worship with us is as spiritually enriching for you as your presence is encouraging to us. We invite you to sign our guest book in the foyer and "Like" us on Facebook. Please leave your email address if you would like periodic updates from Immanuel. Most importantly, come back and worship with us again next Sunday.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Liz Kraft, Myron Kimber, Paul Krahenbuhl, and Pastor Brad Zerkel who is mourning the loss of his mother.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING: \$1,285.43

VALENTINE COFFEE: February is Friendship month! All are welcome to stay for our traditional Valentine Coffee after the service.

LENTEN SERVICES: We will not be holding Lenten services at Immanuel due to our vacancy. We will hold Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services.

FEBRUARY PASTORS: February 18: Pr. Keith Loesch; February 25: Lay Minister Gary Moore

THE LUTHERAN HOUR theme for next Sunday, February 18th will be "Pay Attention to What You Hear". Mark 4:24 Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. Lent calls us to take deep into our being the life-changing words of God. The result? Obedience, changes in desires, and blessings. Hear *The Lutheran Hour* on stations KCMO (AM 710) at 8:00am, KCCV (FM 92.3) at 8:00am, KCCV (AM 760) at 8:30am, and KCCV (FM 101.5) at 8:30am.