

# **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH @ SOUTH PARK**

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**A PLACE OF GRACE WITH A CALL FOR ALL  
TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF JESUS**



**Transfiguration of Our Lord  
Last Sunday after Epiphany  
March 2, 2025  
Scout Sunday**

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P: Pastor

A: Assisting Ministers

C: Congregation

*ELW p. xxx indicates liturgy in front of the hymnal; ELW xxx is hymn #xxx*

## **PRELUDE**

All Glory Be to God on High

J.S. Bach (BWV 662)

## **✠ GATHERING ✠**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

**C: Amen.**

P: Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin. Merciful God,

**C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your loving kindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

P: God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In ✠ Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

**C: Amen.**

### **GATHERING HYMN**

**Oh Wondrous Image Vision Fair**

**ELW 316**

### **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.**

# THIS IS THE FEAST ELW p. 187

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

*Refrain*



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **TEMPLE TALK**

Troop 62 and Cub Scout Pack 3052

## **‡ THE WORD ‡**

### **FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35**

*Moses' face shone with the reflected glory of God after he received the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.*

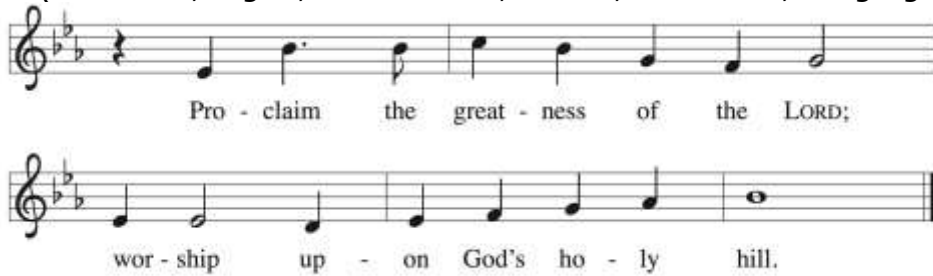
<sup>29</sup> Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup> When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup> Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup> When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup> but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup> the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

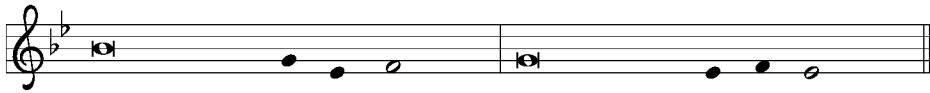
## PSALM: Psalm 99

**Refrain:** (First time, organ; second time, cantor; third time, congregation)



Pro - claim the great - ness of the LORD;  
wor - ship up - on God's ho - ly hill.

### Tone:



- <sup>1</sup> The LORD is king; let the | people tremble.  
The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let | the earth shake.
- <sup>2</sup> **The LORD, | great in Zion,  
is high a- | bove all peoples.**
- <sup>3</sup> Let them confess God's name, which is | great and awesome;  
God is the | Holy One.
- <sup>4</sup> **O mighty king, lover of justice, you have es- | tablished equity;  
you have executed justice and righteous- | ness in Jacob. R**
- <sup>5</sup> Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down be- | fore God's footstool;  
God is the | Holy One.
- <sup>6</sup> **Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those  
who call upon your | name, O LORD,  
they called upon you, and you | answered them,**
- <sup>7</sup> you spoke to them out of the pil- | lar of cloud;  
they kept your testimonies and the decree | that you gave them.
- <sup>8</sup> **O LORD our God, you answered | them indeed;  
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them  
for their | evil deeds.**
- <sup>9</sup> Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's | holy hill;  
for the LORD our God is the | Holy One. **R**

## **SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2**

*In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.*

<sup>12</sup> Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup> not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. <sup>14</sup> But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup> but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

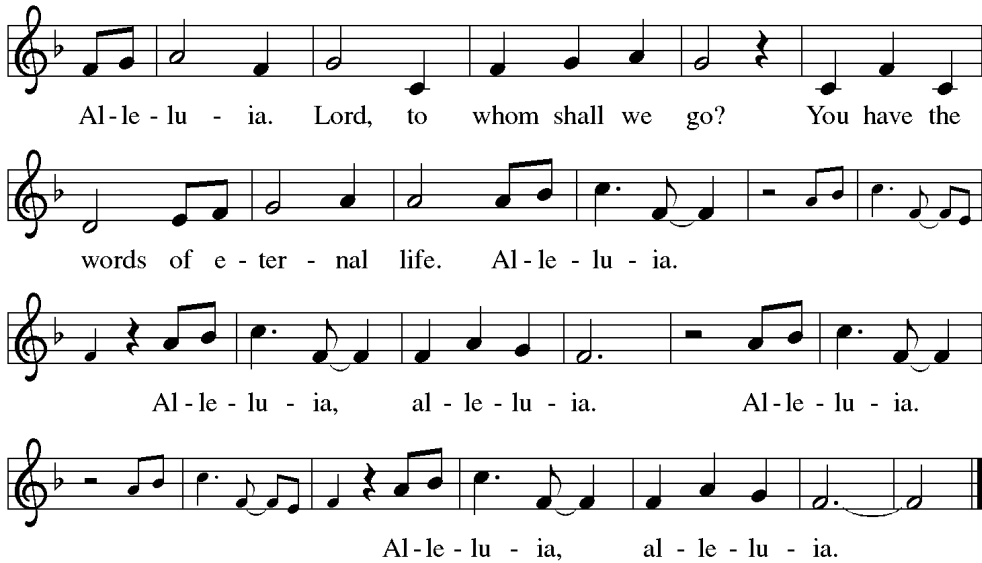
<sup>4:1</sup> Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW p. 188**



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-43a**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.*

<sup>28</sup> Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup> Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup> They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup> Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup> While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup> When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

<sup>37</sup> On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup> Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. <sup>39</sup> Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. <sup>40</sup> I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." <sup>41</sup> Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." <sup>42</sup> While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. <sup>43a</sup> And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*God loves me, Jesus is my friend, and church is a great place to be. Amen.*

### **SERMON**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**How Good, Lord, to Be Here**

**ELW 315**

#### **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.**

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

A: ... God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: ... your promise is revealed among the people.

**C: Amen.**



## PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## ✠ THE MEAL ✠

### CHORAL OFFERING

Let Your Light Shine

by Nancy Price and Don Besig

### OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. **C: Amen.**

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### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

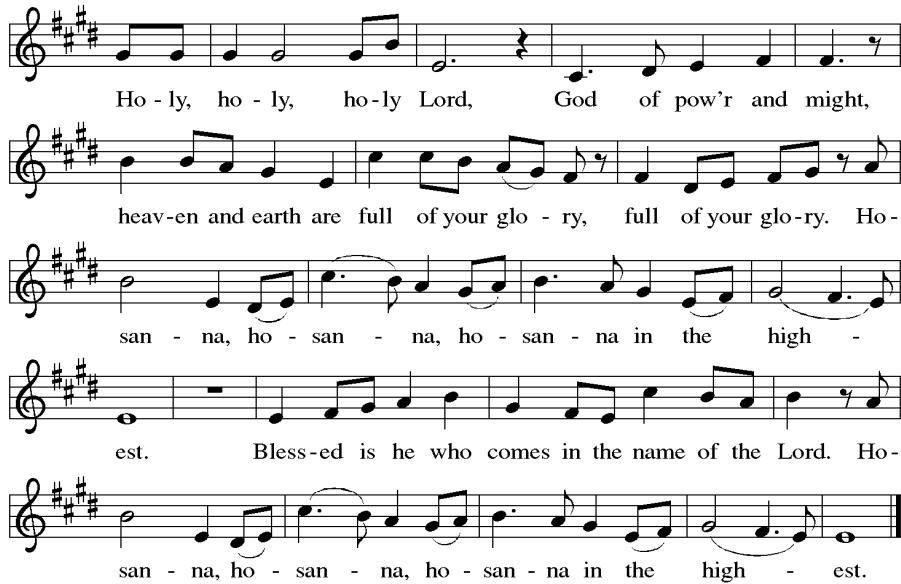
**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .

. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW p. 190



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

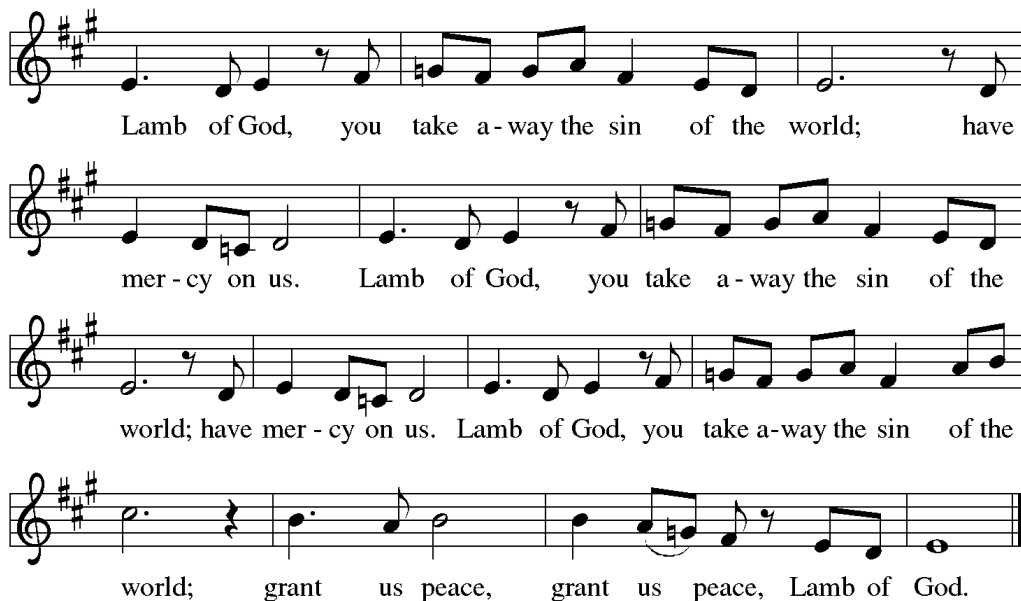
P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*You may commune where you are seated with the elements you brought with you, or you may come forward from the center aisle and Pastor will place, in your open hand, a wafer which you may then dip into either the silver chalice of wine or the ceramic chalice of grape juice held by the assisting minister. After you have dipped the bread into the chalice, you may return to your seat by the side aisle, or walk up to the altar and kneel for more prayer and reflection.*

## LAMB OF GOD ELW p. 19



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

### DISMISSAL OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

P: Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick and homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord

**C: Amen.**

### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

**C: Amen.**

## ✝ SENDING ✝

### BLESSING OF THE SCOUTS

P: Lord God, source of our strength and skill, we ask your blessing on these Scouts and their leaders whom we recognize today. As they advance in the Scouting program, may they grow each day in wisdom, age, and grace, and by seeking your will for their lives, strive to become the people you created them to be. Send your Spirit upon these Scouts and their leaders, that they may follow and continue the work of Jesus Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life, for ever and ever.

**C: Amen.**

### BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN

**Shine Jesus, Shine**

**ELW 671**

### DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Live in hope.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

"Oh Wondrous Image, Vision Fair"

arr. Charles Callahan

**Assisting Minister:** Susan Hadl

**Lector:** Eliza Brockhoff

**ASL:** Sunnie Planthold

**Cantor:**

**Acolyte/Crucifer:**

**Children's Message:** Kate Stephenson

**Altar Care:** Jan D., Tary S., Mandy S., HS Class

**Usher:** Wally B., Cathy Box, Bill M., Ruth Shadel

**Livestreaming:** Charles Baars

**Nursery:** David Elson

### Readings and Psalm: Sunday, March 9, 2025

**Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

**Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16**

**Romans 10:8b-13**

**Luke 4:1-13**



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