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## The Transfiguration of Our Lord February 27, 2022

**Color of the Day:** White-the festival color of the Church. It is reserved for celebrations that reflect themes of purity, light, innocence, holiness, and redemption, including special events in Jesus' life as His Birth, Baptism, Transfiguration, and Resurrection.



**Opening Hymn** ..... #415 - Jesus On the Mountain Peak  
**Confession and Absolution** ..... Page 167

### ⌘ ⌘ ⌘ Service of the Word ⌘ ⌘ ⌘

**Introit** ..... Page 168

Ps. 84:1-2,9,11; antiphon: Ps. 84:4

Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,\*  
ever sing- | ing your praise!

How lovely is your | dwelling place,\*  
O | LORD of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD;\*  
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the | living God.

Behold our shield, | O God;\*  
look on the face of your a- | nointed!

For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and | honor.\*

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk up- | rightly.  
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,\*  
ever sing- | ing your praise!

**Kyrie** ..... Page 168

**Hymn of Praise (This Is The Feast)** ..... Page 170

**Salutation & Collect of the Day** ..... Page 172

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed 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.

**Old Testament Reading** ..... Page 172

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

<sup>1</sup>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, <sup>2</sup>all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, <sup>3</sup>the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. <sup>4</sup>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." <sup>5</sup>So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, <sup>11</sup>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, <sup>12</sup>and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

**Gradual** ..... Page 172

Ps. 117:1-2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all | nations!\*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,\*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;\*

bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

**Epistle Reading** ..... Page 172

Hebrews 3:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, <sup>2</sup>who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. <sup>3</sup>For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. <sup>4</sup>(For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) <sup>5</sup>Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, <sup>6</sup>but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

**Alleluia & Verse (Common)** ..... Page 173

**Holy Gospel**..... Page 173

*Luke 9:28-36*

<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 as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, <sup>31</sup>who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>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. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” <sup>36</sup>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.

**Children’s Message**

**Hymn of the Day** ..... #413 – O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

**The Sermon**..... *Transfiguration - Luke 9:28-36*

*Want to read along, miss a sermon, need some inspiration, need a review of church doctrine? Check out Pastor Bogs’ blog at: rabswritings.blogspot.com or Pastor Mendez’s blog at: pastormendez.blogspot.com.*

**Introduction**

According to our church year calendar \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Jesus Went Up the Mountain**

Our text begins \_\_\_\_\_ .

As Jesus is praying \_\_\_\_\_ .

While they slept, \_\_\_\_\_ .

And Jesus met with \_\_\_\_\_ .

Luke tells us \_\_\_\_\_ .

Finally, the disciples \_\_\_\_\_ .

Peter made \_\_\_\_\_ .

Moses and Elijah \_\_\_\_\_ .

What a wonderful, grand \_\_\_\_\_ .

**So What?**

We know that Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ .

We see that Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ .

We acknowledge \_\_\_\_\_ .

At Christmas we celebrated \_\_\_\_\_ .

The only way to get to heaven \_\_\_\_\_ .

What is left? \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Other Notes or Questions for Pastor:**

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**Prayer of the Church & Offering** ..... Page 175

*Our First Fruits and Tithes are our regular, top priority, proportionate, grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the Gospel. Our Offerings are special gifts for special causes over and above our tithes. This is an act of worship for members and friends of St. Matthew who are moved by God’s love to respond to the Gospel. Guests should not feel obligated to participate.*

**Offertory**..... Page 176

⌘ ⌘ ⌘ **Service of the Sacrament** ⌘ ⌘ ⌘

**Preface** ..... Page 177

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus and Prayer of Thanksgiving**..... Page 178

**Lord’s Prayer and The Words of Our Lord**..... Page 179

**Pax Domini and Agnus Dei** ..... Page 180

**Distribution** ..... Page 181

*Before partaking of the Lord’s Supper, we ask that you read our communion statement on the pew insert behind the Bible. Thank you.*

**Distribution Hymns**..... #416 – Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

#414 – ‘Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

#922 - Go, My Children, with My Blessing

**Post-Communion Canticle (Thank the Lord)** ..... Page 181

**Post-Communion Collect and Benediction**..... Page 183

**Closing Hymn**..... #417 - Alleluia, Song of Gladness