

# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

## FEBRUARY 15, 2026

### *RINGING OF THE BELLS*

#### 396 *ARISE AND SHINE IN SPLENDOR*

- 1 Arise and shine in splendor;  
Let night to day surrender.  
Your light is drawing near.  
Above, the day is beaming,  
In matchless beauty gleaming;  
The glory of the Lord is here.
  
- 2 See earth in darkness lying,  
The heathen nations dying  
In hopeless gloom and night.  
To you the Lord of heaven—  
Your life, your hope—has given  
Great glory, honor, and delight.

3 The world's remotest races,  
Upon whose weary faces  
    The sun looks from the sky,  
Shall run with zeal untiring,  
With joy Your light desiring  
    That breaks upon them from on high.

4 Lift up your eyes in wonder—  
See, nations gather yonder  
    From sin to be set free.  
The world has heard Your story;  
Her sons come to Your glory;  
    Her daughters haste Your light to see.

5 Your heart will leap for gladness  
When from the realms of sadness  
    They come from near and far.  
Your eyes will wake from slumber  
As people without number  
    Rejoice to see the Morning Star.

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*(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your**

**temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**LSB 187**

**P** Glory be to God on high:

**C** **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**

**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship  
Thee,**

**we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for  
Thy great glory.**

**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father  
Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have  
mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sin of the world,  
receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the  
Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

#### *SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

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.

**C** Amen.

*OLD TESTAMENT READING*

Exodus 24:8–18

**A** The Old Testament Reading is from Exodus, chapter 24.

<sup>8</sup>And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

<sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” <sup>13</sup>So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them.”

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. <sup>17</sup>Now 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.

<sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**A** Please join me in praying the Psalm.

*Psalm 2:6–12*

**6“As for me, I have set my King  
on Zion, my holy hill.”**

**7I will tell of the decree:**

**The LORD said to me, “You are my Son;  
today I have begotten you.**

**8Ask of me, and I will make the nations your  
heritage,**

**and the ends of the earth your possession.**

**9You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”**

**10Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
be warned, O rulers of the earth.**

**11Serve the LORD with fear,  
and rejoice with trembling.**

**12Kiss the Son,  
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.**

**Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.**

*EPISTLE*

2 Peter 1:16–21

**A** The Epistle is from 2 Peter, chapter 1.

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay

attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts,<sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

*(Stand)*

*ALLELUIA*

LSB 190

- C** **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*HOLY GOSPEL*

Matthew 17:1–9

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.
- C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” <sup>5</sup>He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## *NICENE CREED*

**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came  
down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the  
virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius  
Pilate.**

He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according  
to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge  
both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is  
worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and  
apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the  
remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\ddagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## SERMON

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**C** **Amen.**

### *OFFERTORY*

LSB 192

**C** **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**  
**Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.**  
**Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

### *PRAYER OF THE CHURCH*

## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

### *PREFACE*

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**C** **It is meet and right so to do.**

**P** 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**

**LSB 195**

**C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;**

**heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that  
cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

*LORD'S PRAYER*

LSB 196

**P** Our Father who art in heaven,  
    hallowed be Thy name,  
    Thy kingdom come,  
    Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
    give us this day our daily bread;  
    and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive  
those who trespass against us;  
    and lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.

**C** **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and  
the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD*

LSB 197

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given

thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  $\ddagger$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\ddagger$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

*PAX DOMINI*

LSB 197

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

*AGNUS DEI*

LSB 198

**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

## 537 BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

- 1 Beautiful Savior,  
    King of creation,  
    Son of God and Son of Man!  
    Truly I'd love Thee,  
    Truly I'd serve Thee,  
    Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows,  
    Fair are the woodlands,  
    Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
    Jesus is fairer,  
    Jesus is purer,  
    He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine,  
    Fair is the moonlight,  
    Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
    Jesus shines brighter,  
    Jesus shines purer  
    Than all the angels in the sky.

4 Beautiful Savior,  
Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor,  
Praise, adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

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## 549 *ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME*

1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all.

2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,  
Who from His altar call;  
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod  
And crown Him Lord of all.

Extol the stem of Jesse's rod  
And crown Him Lord of all.

- 3    Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
      Ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
      And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
      And crown Him Lord of all.
- 4    Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,  
      Whom David Lord did call,  
The God incarnate, man divine,  
      And crown Him Lord of all.  
The God incarnate, man divine,  
      And crown Him Lord of all.
- 5    Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
      The wormwood and the gall,  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
      And crown Him Lord of all.

Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.

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*NUNC DIMITTIS*

LSB 199

**C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in  
peace according to Thy word,**

**for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which  
Thou hast prepared before the face of all  
people,**

**a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of  
Thy people Israel.**

**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.**

## **THANKSGIVING**

**LSB 200**

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth forever.

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## *BENEDICTION*

LSB 202

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

**C** **Amen, amen, amen.**

## *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

### *414 'TIS GOOD, LORD, TO BE HERE*

1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!  
Thy glory fills the night;  
Thy face and garments, like the sun,  
Shine with unborrowed light.

2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here,  
Thy beauty to behold

Where Moses and Elijah stand,  
Thy messengers of old.

3 Fulfiller of the past

And hope of things to be,  
We hail Thy body glorified  
And our redemption see.

4 Before we taste of death,

We see Thy kingdom come;  
We long to hold the vision bright  
And make this hill our home.

5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!

Yet we may not remain;  
But since Thou bidst us leave the mount,  
Come with us to the plain.

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