

# Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

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## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

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Luanne Harms, Contemporary Worship Director

Vocals & Keyboard

**P**= Pastor **C** = All **L** = Leader

**PRELUDE: GLORY IN THE HIGHEST**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

**OPENING SONG: ANCIENT GATES**

*Verse 1*

**There is singing at the ancient gates**

**There's a melody of ceaseless praise**

**Age to age the sound is only growing stronger**

**There's a throne beneath the Name of Names**

**There is seated on it One who reigns**

**And His Kingdom now is here and getting closer**

*Chorus 1*

**Praise Him like we're there in glory**

**Here and now He's just as holy**

**Jesus He's so worthy of it all**

*Verse 2*

**He exists in everlasting light**

**So on heaven's streets there is no night**

**Every tear is wiped away**

**We'll know no sorrow**

**Worship Him with joyful sound**

**Sing until your voice gives out**

**No matter where or who's around**

**Release your worship**

*Chorus 1*

**Praise Him like we're there in glory**

**Here and now He's just as holy**

**Jesus He's so worthy of it all**

*Chorus 2*

**Bring your song He loves to hear it**

**Bring Him every prayer soaked lyric**

**Jesus He's so worthy of it all**



*Bridge (4X)*

**The One who was**

**The One who is**

**The One who is to come**

*Chorus 1*

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↑ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**L** 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 LESSON: Exodus 24:12-18**

**L** Our lesson today is from Exodus, the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

The 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."

<sup>13</sup>So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>To 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."

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The 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.



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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.

- 📖 Word of God, Word of Life.
- 🎵 **Thanks be to God.**

⬆ **GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9**

- 📖 The Gospel according to Matthew, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- 🎵 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus 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.”

- 📖 The Gospel of the Lord.
- 🎵 **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Weber

⬆ **SONG OF THE DAY: TRANSFIGURATION**

*Verse 1*

**From the cloud You speak.  
What was veiled now is seen:  
Jesus, the image of the invisible God.**

*Verse 2*

**Divinity confirmed  
In the transfigured Word.  
A kingdom once concealed  
On the earth now revealed.**

*Chorus 1*

**Holy is the Lord, revealed before my eyes,  
And my burning heart can scarcely take it in.  
As I behold Your beauty with unworthy eyes,  
The only song my soul can find to sing  
Is hallelujah. Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, my King!**

*Verse 3*

**Lead my longing heart  
To the high ground,  
To a clear view.  
And in awe, I'll be there  
Beholding You.**

*Chorus 2*

**Holy is the Lord, revealed before my eyes,  
And my burning heart can scarcely take it in.  
As I behold Your beauty with unworthy eyes,  
The only song my soul can find to sing  
Is hallelujah. Hallelujah!**

**Hallelujah, my King!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, my King!**

**Now I know, I have seen  
Your glory that cannot be unseen.  
I am changed, and changing still  
As I look upon You Lord and believe**

*Chorus 3*

**Holy is the Lord, revealed before my eyes,  
And my burning heart can scarcely take it in.  
As I behold Your beauty with unworthy eyes,  
The only song my soul can find to sing  
Is hallelujah. Hallelujah!**

**Hallelujah, my King!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, my King (oh, hallelujah)!**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, my King!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**Hallelujah, my God!  
Is hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, my King!**

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## OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

- ☐ Let us confess our baptismal faith together.
- ☑ **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 THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "*Merciful God,*" please respond, "**receive our prayer.**"

When the prayers conclude, please respond, "**Amen.**"

## OFFERING

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## OFFERING SONG: GLORY IN THE HIGHEST (INSTRUMENTAL)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- ☐ The Lord be with you.
- ☑ **And also with you.**
- ☐ Lift up your hearts.
- ☑ **We lift them to the Lord.**
- ☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- ☑ **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- ☐ In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

- ☑ **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.**

## SHARING COMMUNION AT CHURCH

**or at home with your household**

*Please approach the altar as directed by an usher. You will be offered a wafer, and you may dip it into the chalice containing wine or white grape juice. Or, you may choose a prepackaged kit. (including Gluten-free versions)*

## COMMUNION SONG: THE MORE I SEEK YOU

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & BENDICTION

- ☐ The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod † bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.
- ☑ **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG: GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

*Verse 1*

**Great is Thy faithfulness  
O God my Father  
There is no shadow  
Of turning with Thee**

**Thou changest not  
Thy compassions they fail not  
As Thou hast been  
Thou forever wilt be**

*Chorus*

**Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning  
New mercies I see**

**All I have needed  
Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Lord unto me**



*Verse 2*

**Summer and winter  
And springtime and harvest  
Sun moon and stars  
In their courses above**

**Join with all nature  
In manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness  
Mercy and love**

*Chorus*

**Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning  
New mercies I see**

**All I have needed  
Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Lord unto me**

*Verse 3*

**Pardon for sin  
And a peace that endureth  
Thy own dear presence  
To cheer and to guide**

**Strength for today  
And bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine  
With ten thousand beside**

*Chorus*

**Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning  
New mercies I see**

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**DISMISSAL**

**L** Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.  
Invite all to connect to Jesus'  
pathway of joy and life.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**