

# Transfiguration of Our Lord

**February 27, 2022**

9:00 am

Communion



*279 Years Of  
"Joyously proclaiming the good news of God's love"*

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SPRING CITY, PENNSYLVANIA

Founded in 1743

**THIS WEEK AT ZION**

Sunday 2/27	7.45 am 9.00 am	Bell choir <b>Worship</b> SCS/ Confirmation Bowling Sunday
Monday	6.30 pm 7.00 pm	Praise band AA meeting
Tuesday	5:00 pm 7.00 pm	Tae Kwan Do Executive Committee meeting
Wednesday 3/2	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> <b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>Worship Service (in person)</b>
Thursday	6.15 pm 7.00 pm	Hymn Singer/Special Music Rehearsal Zion adult choir
Sunday 3/6	7.45 am <b>9.00 am</b> <b>10.45 am</b>	Bell choir <b>Worship</b> <b>Service of Word and Table</b>

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**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

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<b>This week (2/27)</b>	
Assistant Minister	Steve Moore
Reader	Angela Moore
Greeter	Shawn Rogers
Greeter	Maggie Munz
Hymns	Zion choir

<b>Next week (3/6)</b>			
<b>9.00 am</b>		<b>10.45 am</b>	
Assistant Minister	Jena Dietrich	Assistant Minister	Ron Hoinowski
Reader	Amy Kirk	Reader	Peg Hoinowski

Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## INTRODUCTION

*Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.*

## PRELUDES

**On Tannenberg- "Praise to the Lord, The Almighty"**

Tune: "Stralsund Gesangbuch", Arr. by Richard Unfried

**On Piano- "Shine, Jesus Shine"-** Words and Music by Graham Kendrick, Arr. by Mark Hayes

**On Allen Organ- "A Prayer"** by William Stickles

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: 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.**

### KYRIE

### CONFESSION

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children.**

**We have turned our faces away from your glory**

**when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality**

**to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone.**

**For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us,**

**and reflect your love for all creation.**

**C: Amen.**

P: Rejoice in this good news:

In ☩ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE - Sing 2 times**

*Please be seated*

**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.*

R: A reading from the book of Exodus:

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. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; 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, 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.

R: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 99**

*Proclaim the greatness of the Lord; worship upon God's holy hill. (Ps. 99:9)*

R: The Lord is king; let the people tremble. The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

**C: The Lord, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.**

R: Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome; God is the Holy One.

**C: O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob**

R: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and fall down before God's footstool; God is the Holy One.

**C: 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,**

R: you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

**C: O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

R: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship upon God's holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

*Those able, please stand*

## **ACCLAMATION**

**Gospel: Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]**

*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.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. 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. 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. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" 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.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. 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. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." 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. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## SERMON

### HYMN

Love Divine all Loves Excelling

ELW 631

Vs. 1 & 4

*Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788*

*Those able, please stand*

### Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell; on the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

*You can add names to the prayer list by contacting the church office. After three weeks names will be removed from the prayer of intercession unless resubmitted. These removed people will still be in our private prayers.*

A: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A: Transform us by your greatness, O God. Send us down the mountain to share joy with all people. Make us agents of change, confident that your hope will vanquish despair and your goodness will conquer evil. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: The mountains and valleys sing your praise. Dazzle us with your presence in every landscape: bluffs built by ancient glaciers, canyons carved by flowing rivers, flat horizons with uninterrupted views, and sands shaped by ocean tides. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: You love justice and establish equity. Strengthen leaders of local governments, community nonprofits, and grassroots campaigns. Bless them with gifts of integrity, creativity, and sound conscience. Build up safe and joyful communities where all people may thrive. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Heal those who are in distress. Give patience to those waiting for answers. Grant hope to those who have reached the limits of treatment. Give compassionate hearts to those who accompany loved ones through illness and uncertainty. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Today we shout alleluia from the mountaintop; this week we enter the wilderness of Lent. Bless all who prepare and lead us in worship during this change of season: pastors, deacons, musicians, and all who contribute to our worship life. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: For all who are sick. Hear our prayers for **Kate** Ciavarelli, **Roger** Batten, **Amy** Mandik, **Jack** Rousseau, **Helen** Christman, **Nicki** Grubb, **Joy** Moyer, **Anne** Carroll and those we lift before you now. Surround them with your unwavering presence. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Blessed are they who listened to Christ's voice in this life and now rest with him. Transform us from glory into glory, and give us your peace, that we do not lose heart. God of grace,  
**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.  
**C: Amen.**

### **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.  
**C: And also with you.**

*Let us share the peace with one another*

### **OFFERING INVITATION**

**Feb. 27, 2022** (Transfiguration Sunday, Year C)

**2 Corinthians 3:17** –Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. *God's path is all about freedom. Steward/disciples find that freedom when we love God with all our being and our neighbor as ourselves! Our faith aligns us with God's abundance and power. Freedom!*

*Please be seated*

### **OFFERING with Special music**

**Zion Choir- "He's Everything to Me"** by Words and Music by Ralph Carmichael

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe.  
You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey.  
Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

**C: Amen.**

*Those able, please stand*



### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**



*Believing in the real presence of Christ, this church practices communion hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to participate in the Lord's Supper. Parent(s)/Grandparent(s) will place their hands on untutored young people for a blessing given by the Pastor. The response when receiving the bread and wine could be: "Amen" or "I believe." Prepackaged Elements are available.*

### **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 our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. Sharing our life, Christ lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with all the faithful of every time and every place, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

P: 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 in 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 in remembrance of me.

P: Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**C: Amen**

P: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray,

**C: 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.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

**C: Amen.**

### **SHARING IN COMMUNION**

P: This is the Body of Christ given for you

**A: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will eat the wafer)

P: This is the Blood of Christ given for you

**A: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will drink the wine)

### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.  
**A: Amen.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.  
**C: Amen.**

**BLESSING**

P: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,  
✠ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.  
**C: Amen**

**THE SENDING HYMN**

**We are Marching in the Light**

ELW 866

Text: South African traditional; tr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984, Tr. © 1984 Utryck, admin. Walton Music Corp.

*Please be seated*

**DISMISSAL**

A: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

"Christ, Be Our Light" -Tune: Bernadette Farrell, Arr. by Nancy Raabe

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**BULLETINS AND FLOWERS:**

The White Rose is given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birth of **Thomas John Peters**, son of Gregory and Alyssa Peters, grandson of Paul and Cathy Peters.

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**BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday	Numbers 9:15-23	The cloud rests on the tabernacle
Tuesday	I Corinthians 13:1-13	A mirror dimly
Wednesday	Luke 11:1-28	Jesus' teachings about prayer
Thursday	Luke 11:29-54	Jesus criticizes the religious leaders
Friday	Acts 1:6-11	The ascension of Jesus
Saturday	Ecclesiastes 3:1-8	For everything there is a season