Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 27, 2022



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
EAST BERLIN, PENNSYLVANIA

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First Responders and those serving in the

military and healthcare

Refugees

Ukraine and its people

Families of those dying from covid

Friends & Family Prayer List: The prayer list for family & friends has been updated. Please let Bonnie Boyer bonnie0879@verizon.net or the secretary@trinitylutheraneb.org know if you need to have someone added to the list.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Praise my Soul, the King of Heaven" Michael Burkhardt

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

If children are present for in-person worship, they may come to the front of the sanctuary for a time of faithful learning and worship.

*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm 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,
- C 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. 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.

*OPENING HYMN

"How Good, Lord, to Be Here!"

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- 1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo ry fills the night;
- 2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau-ty to be-hold
- 3 Ful fill er of the past and hope of things to be,
- 4 Be fore we taste of death, we see your king dom come;
- 5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re main;



your face and gar-ments, like the sun, shine with un-bor-rowed light. where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes-sen-gers of old. hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re-demp-tion see. vi - sion bright and make this hill long to hold the home. we leave the mount, come with us but since you bid us the plain.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt.

Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, The Church Psalter and Hymn Book, 1854

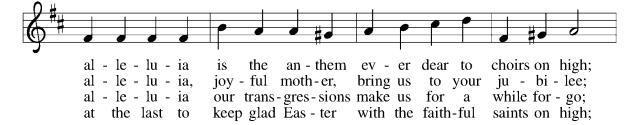
*APOSTOLIC GREETING

- 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.

*HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Al-le-lu-ia, song of glad-ness, voice of joy that can-not die;
- 2 Al-le-lu-ia you are sound-ing, true Je-ru-sa-lem and free;
- 3 Al-le-lu-ia can-not al-ways be our song while here be-low;
- 4 In our hymns we pray with long ing: Grant us, bless-ed Trin i ty,





Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- C 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. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: 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.

²⁹Moses 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. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were

afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but 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, ³⁵the 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.

L Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

Psalm: 99 (sung using Tone 4)



¹The LORD is king; let the | people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let | the earth shake.

²The LORD, | great in Zion, is high a- | bove all peoples.

³Let them confess God's name, which is | great and awesome; God is the | Holy One.

⁴O mighty king, lover of justice, you have es- | tablished equity; you have executed justice and righteous- | ness in Jacob.

⁵Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down be- | fore God's footstool; God is the | Holy One.

⁶Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your | name, O LORD,

they called upon you, and you | answered them,

⁷you spoke to them out of the pil- | lar of cloud; they kept your testimonies and the decree | that you gave them.

⁸O LORD our God, you answered | them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their | evil deeds.

⁹Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's | holy hill; for the LORD our God is the | Holy One.

Here ends the Psalm.

SECOND LESSON: 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.

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not 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. ¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And 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.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We 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.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





*HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-43a

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9th chapter.

C 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.

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now 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. ³³Just 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. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When 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.

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly 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. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While 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. ^{43a}And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*HYMN OF THE DAY

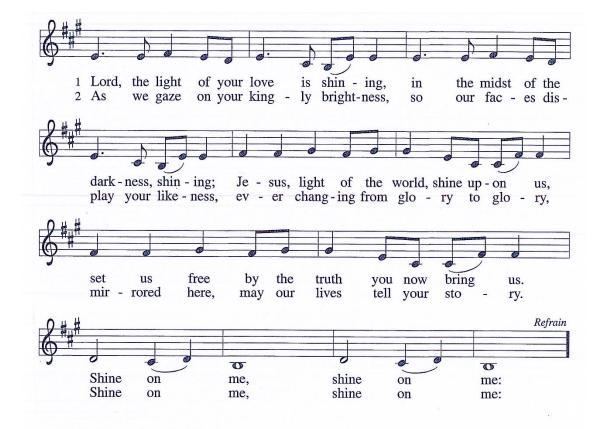
SERMON

Rev. Susan J. McCarthy

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Refrain land Je - sus, shine. fill this with the Fa-ther's glo-ry; Shine. Spir - it, blaze, blaze, set hearts fire. our on riv - er, flow, flood the Flow, na - tions with grace and mer - cy; send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"



Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950 Music: Graham Kendrick

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*APOSTLES' CREED

Let us profess our faith using the words of the 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 THE PEOPLE

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 brief silence.

Transform us by your greatness, O God. Send us down the mountain to share joy with everyone as agents of change for good. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Dazzle us with your presence in every landscape. Show us your glory so that we shout from the mountains about you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Bless leaders with gifts of integrity, creativity, and sound conscience so that communities may be safe and joyful places where people may thrive. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Heal those who are in distress in any way, especially those on our prayer lists and those we name before you now or aloud, *pause*. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Today we shout alleluia from the mountaintop and this week we enter the wilderness of Lent. Bless us as we travel the ups and downs of our spiritual journeys with you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We pray heartily for your peace in the world, especially for Ukraine and Eastern Europe, and all other places in the news where your children are harmed and threatened by one another. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

With grateful hearts we remember before you those who have died and ask that you meet us with the same assurances they now rest in with you. God of grace, hear our prayer.

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. **Amen.**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us take a few moments to share a sign of Christ's Peace with one another.

OFFERING

Our giving, to the glory of God, is an act of true worship. Whether we contribute our time, our talents, or our treasures to the Lord's ministry, we glorify God through our actions. Thank you for acting to give God glory and to keep our ministries in Christ's name active!

*OFFERTORY



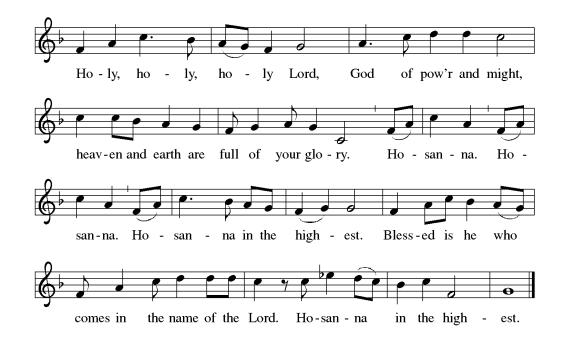
Text: Johann Lindemann, 1549–1631; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: IN DIR IST FREUDE, Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, 1556–1622

*OFFERING PRAYER

- **A** Let us pray.
- C 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. Amen.

*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 God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Almighty Lord, we praise your shining light, your glowing grace. From before the earth's foundation, you loved us and promised us life forever. Within the earth's deep sadness, we laud your great and glorious might. Despite our tears and sinning, we sing of the gladness of your mercy.

We praise your Son, our Morning Star. Christ is our diamond bright, our treasure dear. He is our living Savior who has ransomed us in love. He keeps us yours and fails us never—today, tomorrow, and every day.

On the night before his great salvation, he 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.

With joy we tell our story: Alleluia!

Alleluia!

We call for your Spirit on us and this meal. Refresh our souls with this heavenly food, the body and blood of your Son. Nourish us as branches of your tree and enlighten us with your undying flame.

Come, Holy Spirit!

We sing out to the Father, we ring out to the Son, we exult in the Spirit. Transport us in our yearning, and be for us the end and the beginning, our purest pleasure, our victorious crown, our never-ending love.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever!

And so we pray and praise: Amen, amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen, amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

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

Thanks be to God!

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We are all invited to the Lord's Table; please make yourself at home. The pastor will offer direction for the distribution of the sacrament. Please note the following elements are available: pre-blessed, sealed wafer and grape juice packages, wheat wafers, gluten-free wafers, poured grape juice, poured wine. You are welcome to visit and remain at the chancel rail during the meal as you wish.

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- A Let us pray.
- C We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your blessings. 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. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

- 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.

*DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

"In Thee is Gladness"

Johann S. Bach

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Announcements

To Serve God And His Church During The Coming Week

Sunday	10:15a.m.	Christian Education
Sunday	2:00-4:00p.m.	EB Comm. Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Sunday	7:00p.m.	Zoom Movie Night
Monday	6:00p.m.	Zoom Bible Study
Monday	6:30p.m.	Girl Scouts
Tuesday	7:00p.m.	WELCA
Wednesday	10:00a.m.	Prayer Service
Wednesday	11:00am-1:00pm	Ashes-to-go (lunch)
Wednesday	4:00-6:00p.m.	Food Pantry (w/ashes)
Wednesday	7:30p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday	8:30a.m.	Cleaning Crew #1
Thursday	10:00a.m.	Worship & Music Committee
Thursday	11:00am-12pm	Pie Sale
Thursday	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Friday	11-12 & 5-6pm	Pie Sale
Sunday	9:00a.m.	Worship

Assisting in the Service Today: Assisting Minister: Sue Clauser; Lector: Bob King; Ushers: Judy Burgard, Leon Leas; Altar Guild: Deb King; Hymn Leader: Becky Rinehart; Communion Assistant: Charlie Hoffman.

This morning we offer intentional prayers for those awaiting answers; those who've reached their limits; those who are ill; everyone on both of our prayer lists; those who are uncertain; all military, medical, and first-responder personnel; those in unsafe communities; all refugees; and our veterans. For whom else shall we pray?

Zoom Movie Night Tonight– **February 27** – Pick up your popcorn! Join via the link (sent in your email) to watch a blockbuster about Noah and the famous Ark. See Pastor Susan for more details! (If you don't Zoom but wish to join, let Pastor know and she'll Zoom from church with you.)

Bible Study will be held <u>Monday evening at 6:00pm</u> via Zoom. Watch your email for the link. See Pastor Susan for details and please consider joining in. It's a great group! Monday's text: Genesis 24:1-67 (A wife for Isaac)

WELCA will meet at 7:00pm on Tuesday, March 1.

Wednesday's 10am Prayer Service will be held in the chapel and will also be available live on Trinity's Facebook Fellowship Group page.

East Berlin Community Singers will start rehearsals here at Trinity on Sunday afternoons beginning February 27.

Ash Wednesday Services include a prayer service at 10am in the chapel, Ashes-to-go including drive-through lunch in the parking lot from 11am-1pm, a devotion station at the Food Pantry from 4pm-6pm, and the Ash Wednesday Worship Service at 7:30pm. All services include imposition of Ashes.

WELCA will have a Pie Sale March 3rd & 4th. Please sign up for Lemon Sponge, Blueberry or Blueberry Crumb and indicate when you will pick up your order please. The pickup times are Thursday March 3 at 11am to 12 noon. On Friday March 4, pick up times are 11am to 12 noon & 5-6pm. Orders can also be placed by calling Judy Burgard 717-259-9507. Due to increased cost of ingredients, we will charge \$10 per pie. Proceeds raised will be used for WELCA projects which help others in our community. Thank you for your support!

Red Cross Blood Drive will be held <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 15 from 1:00-6:30pm</u>. Please sign-up to donate on the Red Cross website, or by calling the church office.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church East Berlin, Pennsylvania

Our Mission: We are a family of Christian disciples committed to making Christ

known while loving and serving God and neighbors.

Our Vision: To fulfill our mission, we will:

Worship through liturgy, music, prayer & Sacraments;

Teach God's Word and nurture spiritual growth;

Serve and provide for those in need;

Witness to others by sharing the Gospel;

Celebrate with fellowship;

Return with joy what God has given;

Be active in our community and the Church.

Worship, Serve, Celebrate!



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