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WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN! Thank you for joining us as we worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, *please* place your cell phones on mute for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here! **IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

THE MEANING OF THE TWO PICTURES IN THE BULLETIN: The two pictures at the top of the bulletin are the church's logo and the LCMC logo. The church's logo is the descent of the Holy Spirit into 'Our Savior' at the time of His Baptism.

ASH WEDNESDAY: We will be celebrating the imposition of ashes this Wednesday at 6 PM. Please join us for the service for the beginning of the Lenten Season.

We Serve Today:

Reader: Offering: Communion: Greeter:

SERVICE OF THE WORD: THE TRANSFIGUATION OF OUR LORD

GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME: Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements

Pastor: We gather in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God

the Holy Spirit.

People: **AMEN CONFESSIONAL PRAYER** - congregational responses in **BOLD**

Pastor: Lord, we approach Your altar with love for You and our appreciation for the price You paid for us on the cross. We realize the difficulties that we face, and we confess the poor job we have done with our response to Your sacrifice. For that, Dear Lord, we make our confession to You this day.

1 John 1:8-9

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by the things we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen

ABSOLUTION:

<u>Pastor</u>: As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus on His cross, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, and by the authority of Jesus Christ, forgive you all your sins in the

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name of the, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus we pray.

Alleluia and Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN: R24 - CLAP YOUR HANDS - (sing 3 x's)

GATHERING LITANY – (responsive reading)

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe,

for in Your wisdom You have formed us.

You feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

We bless You and praise Your Holy name forever.

You set free those who are bound.

We bless You and praise Your Holy name forever.

You raise up those whose courage falters.

We bless You and praise Your Holy name forever.

You provide for our every need.

Accept our grateful praises.

You have called us from all peoples.

We bless You and praise Your Holy name forever.

You bless your people with peace.

We bless You and praise Your loving grace.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe,

for in Your wisdom You have formed us.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH - 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 into hell. 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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):

Direct us, O Lord, in all our actions by Your gracious favor, and further us with Your continual help that in all our works, begun,

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continued, and ended in Your name, we may glorify Your Holy Name and finally by Your mercy receive eternal life, Alleluia.

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Alleluia and Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS: Exodus 24:8-18 ESV

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."

Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, 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. And He did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

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." So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. 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."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. 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. 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. Moses entered the cloud and went up. on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights

PSALM 2:6-12 - ESV

"As for me, I have set my Kingdom Zion, on my holy hill."

I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like

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a potter's vessel."Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

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

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

EPISTLE LESSON: II Peter 1:16-22 ESV

Christ's Glory and the Prophetic Word

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.

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,"

we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain.

And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, 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,

knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation.

For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were moved by the Holy Spirit

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 17:1-9 ESV And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light.

And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 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."

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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." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified.

But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. 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."

GOSPEL HYMN - R4 - HOW GREAT THOU ART SONG FOR MEDITATION - Dean Carson

SERMON: "Shine, Jesus Shine," Rev. Steve Dygert, + STS

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God our Father, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Ephesians* 1:2

C: Amen

SERMON HYMN: - R348 Shine, Jesus Shine

OFFERING

Rite of Friendship:

- P. The Peace of the Lord Be With You Always.
- C. And Also With You.
- P. We now have the opportunity to share back with the Lord a little of the bounty He has shared with us.

As the offering is brought forward, we will sing the Doxology.



Doxology, written in England for Protestant Churches in 1674.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us-our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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THE PRAYERS: Let us pray: (*Prayer Response*) Lord in your Mercy: **You hear our prayers!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: KJV

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever and forever. Amen

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE:

WORDS OF INSTITUTION: *Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20;1st Corinthians 11:23-25 (ESV)*

On the night He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ, took bread, and after giving thanks, He broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said; "Take and eat; this is My body, given for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same manner, after supper He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to the them saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the new testament in My blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of Me."

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1^{st} Corinthians 11:26

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER:

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again! THE DISTRIBUTION, THE COMMUNION BLESSING SENDING HYMN: R 26 - A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

THE AARONIC BENEDICTION: Numbers 6: 24-26

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH: Let peace begin with me

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let this be the moment now

With every step I take

Let there be peace on earth Let this be my solemn vow

The peace that was meant to be To take each moment With God as our father And live each moment Brothers all are we In peace eternally

Let me walk with my brother Let there be peace on earth

In perfect harmony And let it begin with me!

THE DISMISSAL P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord! C. Thanks be to God!!

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