



First English Lutheran Church

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Transfiguration of Our Lord

ELW SETTING FOUR



9:00 am

February 11, 2024

PREPARATION

Prelude

Bells

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

Confession and Forgiveness *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, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **C: Amen.**

P: God, our rock and refuge, **C: we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.**

P: The voice of the Lord is upon... You are God's beloved. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

'Beautiful Savior'

#838

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 sorrowing 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!

Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904. Music: Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

Greeting

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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.**

1 This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

2 Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, **C: the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

First Lesson: 2 Kings 2:1-12

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Psalms 50:1-6

ELW Psalm 50

L: ¹ The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken; calling the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

C: ² Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God shines forth in glory.

L: ³ Our God will come and will not keep silence; with a consuming flame before, and round about a raging storm.

C: ⁴ God calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgment of the people.

L: ⁵ "Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

C: ⁶ The heavens declare the rightness of God's cause, for it is God who is judge.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

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Children's Message

Jack Holmquest

Special Music

'This is My Beloved Son'

Senior Choir

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia. Lord to whom.....'

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

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Holy Gospel: Mark 9:2-9

NT pg. 34

P: The Holy Gospel according to... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn

'How Good, Lord, to be here'

#315

- 1. How good, Lord, to be here! Your glory fills the night; your face and garments, like the sun, shine with unborrowed light.**
- 2. How good, Lord, to be here! Your beauty to behold where Moses and Elijah stand, your messengers of old.**
- 3. Fulfiller of the past and hope of things to be, we hail your body glorified and our redemption see.**
- 4. Before we taste of death, we see your kingdom come; we long to hold the vision bright and make this hill our home.**
- 5. How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not remain; but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.**

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858–1933, alt. Music: W. Mercer, The Church Psalter and Hymn Book, 1854.

Offertory Prayer

C: Amen.

Prayers for the People of God

P: God of Grace, **C: Receive our prayer.**

SHARING THE MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving (spoken)

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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.

'Holy, Holy, Holy'

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Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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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

Distribution Hymn:

'Lamb of God'

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Distribution Hymn:

'Christ Be Our Light'

#715

Distribution Hymn:

'When Morning Guilds the Sky'

#853

1. When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries: may Jesus Christ be praised! When evening shadows fall, this rings my curfew call: may Jesus Christ be praised!

2. When mirth for music longs, this is my song of songs: may Jesus Christ be praised! God's holy house of prayer has none that can compare with "Jesus Christ be praised!"

3. No lovelier antiphon in all high heav'n is known than "Jesus Christ be praised!" There to the eternal Word the eternal psalm is heard: oh, Jesus Christ be praised!

4. Let all of humankind in this their concord find: may Jesus Christ be praised! Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound: may Jesus Christ be praised!

5. Sing, sun and stars of space, sing, all who see his face, sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!" God's whole creation o'er, today and evermore shall Jesus Christ be praised!

Text: German hymn, 19th cent.; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844-1930, alt. Music: Joseph Barnby, 1838-1896.

Eucharistic Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

Blessing

P: God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, ✠ bless you and remain with you always. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

C: We Will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

'We Are Marching in the Light'

#866

Bells

Postlude

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Psalm 139:14. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

In other words, "created to be..."

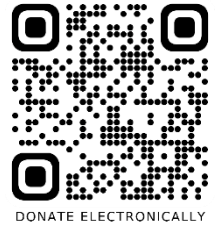
Thanks to Jack Holmquest for leading us today in worship.

Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is in memory of Jim Johnson's birthday, which was February 17th by Sharron, Cathy, Joe & grandchildren. [Radio broadcast cards are available on the information kiosk in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].




OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for January: \$22,240.42. Here is what we received: \$16,825.28. We deficit spent \$5,415.14. You're also encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net or scan the QR Code from the offering cards or bulletins.



Happy Birthday wishes go out to Arvilla Bergseth whose birthday is February 17th.

Superbowl of Caring is back! Our youth will be at both exits with a kettle for your donations. All proceeds will be given to the Big Stone Emergency Food Shelf.

Coffee Fellowship needs volunteers to continue. Please contact the office or sign-up in the fellowship hall if you're willing to help to prepare & serve coffee. If no one volunteers to serve, we won't have coffee fellowship that Sunday. 

There are items in the pickup room still needing to be picked up, many of which are food storage containers & trays. Please look in the room to see if anything is yours.

"Respite Friends" training will be held on 2 different days the end of February in Ortonville. Tracy Keebler will share 2 sessions- 2 hours each-on 2 different days-to learn skills to give caregivers a much-needed break and provide people living with dementia the support and compassion needed. Dates are February 27 at the Ortonville Library Basement from 1-3 pm, refreshments, and then 3:30-5:30 and on February 28 at Orpheus Theater, Fairway View Senior Community from 9:30-11:30, light lunch, and then 12-2 pm. Register soon as space is limited: call 320-500-2775 or 320-273-2176. There is no cost to attend. This is a great opportunity for our Caring Friends participants or anyone else that is interested.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Carol Barrett; Keith Giese; Marcus Hanson, Arlen LaCombe; Gail Olson; Harris Selvig; Beth Swanson; Brandi Tweeter; Clara Zeek; Monty Athey, Jessy Buth; Paul Erdman; Beckett Foster; Rosie Frank; Larry Helgeson; Natalie Henneberg; McCoy Jipson; Brian Pribyl; Janice Redfield; David Scholberg; and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Janet Anderson; Ricky Anderson; Arvilla Bergseth; Adeline Burgess; Ruth Hansen; Jim Hipple; Vivian Janssen; & Eleanor Nickolauson. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict, especially Alexander Johnson (Ev Johnson's grandson). If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office. 

REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website, www.firstenglish.net & our bulletin boards. The church office number is (320) 839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants—February 11th

Greeters: Lori Strei & Bailey Conroy **Acolytes:** Raimi & Lexi
Coffee Servers: Darin & Kristi Ehrenberg **FWV:** Marge Dragseth & Becky Parker
Tech Desk: Matt Karels & Marina Thomson **Organist:** Carol Ydstie
Ushers: Liz Ketz, Eldon Knutson, Darin Ehrenberg, & Harley Helgeson
Lay Assistants: Terry Kalberg, Becky Parker **Lector:** Jim Schmeichel

This Week's Ministry Assistants—Ash Wednesday—February 14th

Greeters: Ethel & Garry Swenson **Acolytes:** Eliot & Archer
FWV: Becky Parker & Kim Anderson **Organist:** Amy Adelman
Tech Desk: Matt Karels & Marina Thomson **Lay Assistant:** Kari Dorry & Liz Ketz
Ushers: Liz Ketz, Eldon Knutson, Darin Ehrenberg, & Harley Helgeson

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—February 18th

Greeters: Garry & Ethel Swenson **Acolytes:** Ava & Chase
Tech Desk: Marge Dragseth & Marina Thomson **Organist:** Lisa Berdan
Ushers: Russel Thielke, Warren Wiese, Gale May, & Connie Newman
Lector: Chris Petersen **Coffee Servers:** Schmeichel Family

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—February 21st

Acolytes: Brandon **FWV:** Kim Anderson & Paula Reisdorph
Tech Desk: Marge Dragseth & Marina Thomson **Organist:** Lisa Berdan
Ushers: Russel Thielke, Warren Wiese, Gale May, & Connie Newman

Weekly Calendar

- Sun – 2/11** 7:45 am Super Bowl Subs Being Put Together
by Youth & parents/mentors.
9:00 am Worship (w/Jack Holmquest) – Communion –
Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live
10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School
Pick up Super Bowl Subs
Super Bowl of Caring Kettles
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)
- Tues – 2/13** 8:30 am Day of Love
4:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)
- Wed – 2/14 Ash Wednesday / Valentine's Day (no youth group)**
9:30 am Channel 3 broadcast
1:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service at Fairway View
3:30 pm Confirmation (7-8th grade)
4:30 pm Confirmation (9th grade)
5:30 pm Channel 3 broadcast
6:15 pm Ash Wednesday Service
(with Colleen Natalie & communion)
7:00 pm Senior Choir
- Fri – 2/16** 9:00 am Bulletins Printed
- Sun – 2/18** 9:00 am Worship (w/Barb Wiese)–Broadcast on KDIO &
Facebook Live
10:00 am Coffee Fellowship (**No Sunday School**)

