

Transfiguration of Our Lord & Capital Campaign Launch Sunday

St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson

9:30AM • February 27, 2022

Welcome and Announcements

Temple Talk *Larry Miller*

Greeting *(please stand as you are able)*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: *"God, We Gather As Your People"* *Pianist, Debbi St. John*

Vs 1: **God, we gather as your people to raise our song above, and we dare to claim the promise of your love. Though the day may not yet be here, we trust it soon will be, when your children will be free.**

Refrain: **Oh, may our hearts and minds be opened, fling the church doors open wide. May there be room enough for ev'ryone inside. For in God there is a welcome, in God we all belong. May that welcome be our song.**

Vs 2: **Oh, we sing for all the children, that one day they be free; and we sing for generations yet to be, that they never have a reason to doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest. [Refrain]**

Vs 3: **Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear & shame, so afraid of who they are & whom they love. May the message now be banished that your love is for the few; may their faith in you renew. [Refrain]**

Vs 4: **God, we're working for the future when children far & wide can live their lives with dignity and pride. As they grow in strength & stature, may they join us hand in hand, as against all hate we stand. [Refrain]**

Prayer of the Day: P: Let us pray together,

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.**

Old Testament Reading - Exodus 33:12-16 ¹² Moses said to the Lord, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' ¹³ If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people." ¹⁴ The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." ¹⁵ Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. ¹⁶ How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

Gospel Acclamation: *"Hallelujah"* (Stand as you are able)

Refrain: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah 2X

Gospel Reading - Matthew 28:1-20 ¹After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. ²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. ⁵The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." ⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." ¹¹While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. ¹²When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, ¹³telling them, "You are to say, 'His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.' ¹⁴If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." ¹⁵So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day. ¹⁶Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

P: This is the Word of our Lord, C: **Thanks be to God.**

St. Luke Choir and Girls' Choir: *"You Are Holy"*

Children's Message: *Pastor Eric Hanson*

2nd-6th Graders Sing: *"Goodness Of God"*

Sermon: *Pastor Eric Hanson*

Hymn of the Day & Special Offering:

Our Children's Offering for today will go toward our Forward in Faith Fund with the acknowledgment that we seek to build not just for us, but for generations to come, and for those we have not yet met. After the children, adults are also welcome to add their own coin offerings to our Forward in Faith fund as a sign of hope and support of our new future.

"O That The Lord Would Guide My Way" #772

Vs 1: Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his statutes still!
Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!

Vs 2: Order my footsteps by your word and make my heart sincere;
let sin have no dominion, Lord, but keep my conscience clear.

Vs 3: Assist my soul, too apt to stray, a stricter watch to keep;
and should I e'er forget your way, restore your wand'ring sheep.

Vs 4: Make me to walk in your commands, 'tis a delightful road;
nor let my head or heart or hands offend against my God.

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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: *(call and response)*

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 all people. Make us agents of change, confident that your hope will vanquish despair and your goodness will conquer evil. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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, **hear our prayer.**

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, **hear our prayer.**

Heal those who are in distress and illness. 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 uncertainty especially; Jessica Huemann, Keith Brown, Kathy Nardinger, Dolly Mensink, Finley Budensiek, Sara Nolte, Deb Huneke, Roger Kurtti, Rich & Sue Majerus, Judy Carpenter, Donald & Nancy Nord, Ben Haenel, Larry Reese, Jim Wilcox, Barb Maher, Dan Hedeem, Ken Bremer, the family of Barbara Buck, and the family of Dean Kirkland. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, we come, rejoicing in your grace, grateful that we grow in our faith as we worship and as we study Your word. Help us to do Your work with our hands, serving people in need here and everywhere. Confident in Your plans for us, grant our hearts and minds the confidence to commit to always giving generously of our time, talents and treasure, but especially in our present capital campaign ~~ for we know that everything we have is a gift from you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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, **hear our prayer.**

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

Offertory Prayer: P: Let us pray together,

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.

The 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 Him thanks & praise.

The Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer: 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.

The Meal & Hymns: "We Are The Church"

Refrain: I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world, yes, we're the church together!

Vs 1: The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple,
the church is not a resting place; the church is a people! [Refrain]

Vs 2: We're many kinds of people with many kinds of faces,
all colors and all ages too, from all times and places. [Refrain]

Vs 3: Sometimes the church is marching, sometimes it's bravely burning,
sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding, always it's learning. [Refrain]

Vs 4: And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying;
there's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying, [Refrain]

Vs 5: At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit
and told the good news through the world to all who would hear it. [Refrain]

"On Eagle's Wings" #787

Verse 1: You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Who abide in His shadow for life.
Say to the Lord, "My refuge My rock, in whom I trust!"

Refrain: And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand.

Verse 2: The snare of the fowler will never capture you, And famine will bring you no fear,
Under His wings, your refuge, His faithfulness, your shield. [refrain]

Verse 3: You need not fear the terror of the night, Nor the arrow that flies by day,
Though thousands fall about you, Near you it shall not come. [refrain]

"Here Is Bread" #483

Verse 1: Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.

Refrain: In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

Verse 2: Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here. [Refrain]

Verse 3: Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. [Refrain]

Communion Prayer: P: Let us pray together,

C: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing: (*Please stand as you are able.*) P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: *"How Firm A Foundation"* #796

Verse 1: How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said, who unto the Savior for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Verse 2: "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

Verse 3: "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;
the flames shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

Verse 4: "Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."

Dismissal: P: Go in peace to love the Lord & serve your neighbor, C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

All are welcome to enjoy refreshments and fellowship in the narthex.

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