

# TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

**JAZZ SUNDAY**  
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*ELW SETTING 6*  
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# Welcome to **WORSHIP**

## **We are glad you are with us today.**

We are a family of faith living and growing together in Christ.

This bulletin is filled with information about the life of the church, you are invited to take it home for reference and further reflection during the week. Various updates and additional church information, along with the Pastor Tim's sermons, are posted each week on our website — [www.holyspirit-elca.org](http://www.holyspirit-elca.org). Welcome cards/envelopes are located in the pew rack. Please take a moment to fill out the information and return it to the offering plate.

Our sound system includes a T-system hearing loop, which allows worshipers with T-system compatible hearing aids to tune in directly to the worship leaders' microphones for clearer sound. There are two hearing unit headsets available in the narthex for use. Additionally, large print bulletins are available at the sanctuary door.

As we worship and celebrate communion this morning we remind you that this is the Lord's table. Jesus is the host. We are his guests. God welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live! Please extend your hand to receive the bread, then take a cup from the tray. Please indicate if you prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer. Those not receiving communion are welcome to receive a blessing.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Spirit, please see Pastor Tim. Membership comes through baptism or affirmation of faith.

Please let us know if we can be of service to you in any way!

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## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRELUDE

“Just A Closer Walk”

arr. Andy Clark

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

**C** Amen.

**P** Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** Merciful God,

**C** you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

**Forgive us for the ways we act  
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

**We ignore the needs of our neighbors;**

**we resist your call to oppose injustice;**

**we give in to scarcity and fear;**

**we assume the worst about one another.**

**Cleanse us from our faults**

**and release us from their grasp.**

**Show us your lovingkindness.**

**Restore our hearts and repair your world,**

**that we may live in Christ’s ways.**

**Amen.**

**P** God proclaims these words of assurance:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine.”

In Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

**C** Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "We are Marching In the Light of God" ELW 866

*Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -*  
 We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the

*nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',*  
 light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - , kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
 we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

*Si - ya - ham - ba* \_\_\_\_\_ *oo* \_\_\_\_\_  
 We are march - ing \_\_\_\_\_ *oo* \_\_\_\_\_

*Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,*  
 We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of, the light of God.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba \_\_\_\_\_ oo \_\_\_\_\_  
We are march - ing \_\_\_\_\_ oo \_\_\_\_\_

Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,  
We are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

## 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

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vict - o - ry. Al le lu ia. Al le lu

11  
ia. This is the feast of vict o ry. Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia.

21  
V1. Wor thy is Christ the Lamb who once was slain whose blood set us free to be peo ple of God.

29  
Pow - er riches wis - dom and Strength Honor, blessing, glo - ry are His

37 *Refrain*  
This is the feast of vict - o - ry. Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia.

45  
This is the feast of vict o ry. Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia.

53  
V2. Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the Hymn of all cre - a - tion.

61  
Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er A - men.

68  
V3. For the Lamb who once was slain has be - gun His reign. Al - le - lu ia.

75 *Refrain*  
This is the feast of vict - o - ry. Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia.

## **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.**

*Please be seated.*

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**Pastor Tim Linstrom**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

### **“Christ is the King”**

**LYFE Choir**

*(From the tune “Mercy, Mercy” by Joe Zawinul, recorded by Cannonball Adderley Quintet)*

*Lyrics by Bill Vaananen*

All praise to the Lord of Heaven's Son!  
Hands raised to the very special one  
We know that your miracles are true  
We'll show that our faith we place in you.

Great Messiah! Let us praise you higher!  
Alpha and Omega! Lamb of God from heaven!  
Let's hear everybody sing:  
Yeah, Christ is the King!  
Every church bell's gonna ring!  
    You are our Savior  
    Lord of Nature You are the Christ!  
    The King! The Way!

You are...the Way, the Truth, and Life!  
High Priest! Deliver us from strife.  
*The Rock!* And Resurrection too  
True God! All praise we give to you!

Great Messiah! Let us praise you higher!  
Hey, Hosanna! Lamb of God from heaven!  
Let's hear everybody sing:  
Yeah, Christ is the King!  
Every church bell's gonna ring!  
    You are our Savior  
    Lord of Nature  
    You are the Christ! The King! The Way!

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**“Take Three”**

**LYFE Choir**

*(From the tune “Take Five” by Paul Desmond, recorded by the Dave Brubeck Quartet)*

*Lyrics by Bill Vaananen*

When you’ve got the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost...

Take it from me:

You’d better take three!

They’re the only trio that you need, coast to coast

Dig it, you’ll see

Better take three.....

First, there’s the Lord

The Creator of All

Then he gave us His Son

He became the Prince of Peace!

Then the Spirit makes three

The complete Trinity

Here for you and for me

Now His kingdom come!

(Repeat Chorus)

Light of the world!

Let’s unite in His Word

Let Heaven reign

Let Him show you the way.....

When you’ve got the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost...

Take it from me:

You’d better take three!

They’re the only trio that you need, coast to coast

Dig it, you’ll see

Better take three.....Better take three.....

Better take three.....Better take three.....

**FIRST READING**

**Exodus 34:29-35**

<sup>29</sup> 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. <sup>30</sup> When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him.



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

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

## 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

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

<sup>4:1</sup> Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> We 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.

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia, Lord to whom shall we go? You

7 have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. A -

13 le - lu - ia. A - le, Al - le - lu ia.

## GOSPEL

### Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter.

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

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



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

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

*Please be seated*  
**SERMON**

**Pastor Tim Linstrom**

Please Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”

TFF 171

*Refrain*

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com - ing for to car - ry me home. Swing

low, sweet char - i - ot, com - ing for to car - ry me home.

1 I looked o - ver Jor - dan, and what did I see,  
 2 If you get . . . there . . . be - fore . . . I do,  
 3 The bright - est . . . day . . . that ev - er I saw,  
 4 I'm some - times . . . up, . . . . I'm some - times down,

com - ing for to car - ry me home? A band of an - gels  
 com - ing for to car - ry me home; tell all my friends I'm  
 com - ing for to car - ry me home; when Je - sus washed my  
 com - ing for to car - ry me home; but still my soul feels

*Refrain*

com - ing af - ter me, com - ing for to car - ry me home.  
 com - ing . . . too, com - ing for to car - ry me home.  
 sins . . . a - way, com - ing for to car - ry me home.  
 heav - en - ly . . . bound, com - ing for to car - ry me home.

*Please Stand*

## **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.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**A** With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Transfiguring God, through the glory of your presence, you transform us. Move the church from complacency to boldness in sharing the good news with others. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** We pray for your creation. As seasons change, give patience and skill to all who tend to animals giving birth. Grant nourishing weather for the growing of crops. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** We pray for all in leadership, especially for those who lead states, counties, and town councils. We pray for those serving in the military and their families, especially **Amelia Eastman, Thomas Menter** (grandson of Louise), **Dylan Utterback** (son of Julie & Joel), **Jim Detjen** (brother of Mary), **Dylan Glenner, Hannah Best** (son and daughter of Anne-Marie Glenner). Give them wisdom to protect local resources so that all will flourish both now and in the years to come. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

A Bring your healing grace to those who feel distant from you. Speak comfort to those who need your words of mercy. We pray for those close to our communities and in our hearts. We especially pray for **Katie Bally, Carol Bertrand, Ruth Berman, Ethan Cloonan, Gordy Duprey, Jane Ernst, Elizabeth Falato, Dorothea Lehtinen, Bill Lynn, Marian McBride, Cathy Nathan, Inge Ohnona, Kathy Roderer, Tom Weglarz, Allison Wittich, Emily Becker** (friends of the Bettickers), **Don Bever** (friend of Carol Bertrand), **Jean Goodale, Chris Roberg** (friends of Joan Roehl), **Laura Hansel** (sister of Mary Detjen), **Jim Hanzel** (uncle of Patrick Cantagallo), **Dana Imlah** (Mary Lou Gilleam's daughter), **Barb Janowiak** (friend of Joan Roehl), **Todd Luedtke** (friend of Darlene and Larry Neumann), **Linda Lyons** (mother of Amy Dohler), **the Chase Petersen family** (friends of Amy Dohler), **Kari, Sydney, and Luke Stocks** (daughter in-law and grandchildren of Dorothy and Ron Stocks), **Katie Workman** (friend of Dorothy and Ron Stocks), **Bruce Tagge** (father of Tim Tagge), **Kevin Quinn** (uncle of Patrick Cantagallo), **Jacob Rosenkranz** (friend of the Prosk family), **Michael Ungari, Lenita Spears**, (relative & friend of the Labellarte family), **Coco & Lukas** (grandchildren of JoAnne Schwarcz). God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of our past, present, and future, lead us into new beginnings, trusting in the promise of new life in Christ. Accompany congregations needing to close, and give courage to congregations starting new ministries. God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Renewing God, the saints who have gone before us witnessed to the ways you transform your church and people especially Rev. Martin Marty. We give thanks for their example and pray we carry it forward. . God of grace,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

**C Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** and also with you.

*All the people greet one another through the sharing of the peace.*

## THE OFFERING

**MUSICAL OFFERING** “Chariot’s Comin’”

**Poorman  
Adult Choir**

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**A** God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,  
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:

our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,  
now and always.

**C** Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Congregation sings **BOLD**

The Lord be with  
you and al-so with you lift up your hearts we lift them to the Lord. Let  
us give thanks to the Lord our God  
It is right to give thanks and praise.

Detailed description: The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a whole rest for 9 measures, followed by a half note G4 and a quarter note A4. The second staff starts at measure 10 with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, and a triplet of quarter notes F5, G5, A5. The third staff starts at measure 17 with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, and a half note F5. The fourth staff starts at measure 20 with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, and a triplet of quarter notes F5, G5, A5. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

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, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, Ho - ly Lord. Lord God of  
 7 pow - er and might. Hea-ven and Earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho  
 11 san - na in the high est. Bless-ed is  
 15 He who comes in the name of the Lord.

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.

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 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.

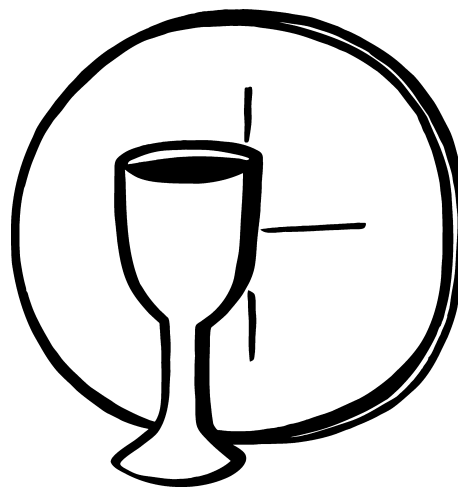
Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing,  
his dying and rising, and his promise to come again,  
we await that day when all the universe  
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.  
By your Spirit bless us and this meal,  
that, refreshed with this heavenly food,  
we may be light for the world,  
revealing the brilliance of your Son.  
Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** All who believe in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, are welcome at the table of the Lord. Let us pray together as our Lord taught us.

**C** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.  
Amen.**



## COMMUNION CANTICLE

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

- P** The risen Christ is made known to us  
in the breaking of the bread.  
Come and eat at God's table.
- C** **Amen.**

## COMMUNION HYMN

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE “Now Lord, You Let Your Servant Go”

*Refrain*

Now, Lord you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has\_\_\_

7  
been ful- filled\_\_\_ Mine own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion.

14  
that you pre-pared in the sight of the peo ple. A light to re-veal you to all the

20  
na - tions\_\_\_ And the Glo - ry of your peo-ple Is ra - el.

26  
Now, Lord you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has\_\_\_ been ful filed

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- A Nourishing God,  
at this table you have refreshed us  
with holy gifts of food and drink.  
Strengthen us for service,  
and send us out to embody your good news  
of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.  
In the name of Christ we pray,
- C **Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

**P** The Spirit of the triune God  
bless you with joy,  
anoint you with compassion,  
and send you in love.

**C** Amen.

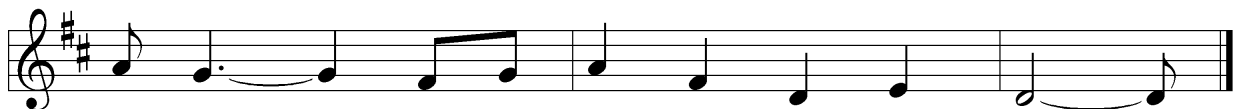
## SENDING HYMN "O When the Saints Go Marching In" TFF 180



1 Oh, when the saints go march-ing in, oh, when the  
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the  
3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the  
4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they



saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that  
Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that  
new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that  
gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that



num - ber when the saints go march - ing in.  
num - ber when the Lord in glo - ry comes.  
num - ber when the new world is re - vealed.  
num - ber when they gath - er round the throne.

5 Oh, when they crown him King of kings,  
oh, when they crown him King of kings,  
O Lord, I want to be in that number  
when they crown him King of kings.

6 And on that hallelujah day,  
and on that hallelujah day,  
O Lord, I want to be in that number  
on that hallelujah day.

## DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Live in hope.

**C** Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## POSTLUDE "O When the Saints Go Marching In"

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Sanctuary flowers donated by Eileen Hoffman.

Thank you to the Holy Spirit Brass: David Fencl, Patrick Cantagallo (Trumpet), Mary Garbrecht, Nancy Fencl (French horn), Robert Scott (Trombone), and Karen Jirsa (Piano).

**MARDI GRAS SUNDAY** — **TODAY Sunday, March 2nd at 11:00 a.m.** The kids will create parade props during Sunday School and display them throughout the building in our annual parade. Join us in the gathering space after the service for treats and fun!

**ASH WEDNESDAY** — **March 5th at 7:30 p.m. "Service of Ashes and Holy Communion"** Join us as we begin our Lenten journey with the traditional service of ashes. Lent is a time for a probing consideration of our human condition, including sin and its deadly consequences for both individuals and society. It is also time for an equally intense consideration of the new possibilities offered to us in Jesus Christ and their implications for practical living. Ash Wednesday is the beginning of this journey, as we remember we are dust and to dust we shall return, but also the promise of abundant, everlasting life, as we turn from sin to trust in God. The ashes placed on our foreheads remind us of God's claim on us, now and forever.

**SYNOD ASSEMBLY** — Holy Spirit will be sending 3 delegates to the Metropolitan Chicago Synod Assembly on May 30 and 31 at the Q Center in St. Charles, Illinois. This is our annual meeting where we have elections, approve the budget, and learn of all the meaningful work occurring in our synod. This year will be even more compelling as we'll be electing our Bishop. If you are interested in being a delegate for our congregation this year, please see Pastor Tim for more information. We need to register as early as possible to meet the early bird lower cost deadline.

**CORNERD BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER**— Save the date: March 15th. Our corned beef dinner is back again with a new twist! Please join us on Saturday, March 15, at 6:00 PM for a St. Patrick’s Day dinner for the entire family. Not only will chefs Corey Kalas and Ryan Hathaway serve delicious corned beef with all the fixings, but there will be some new culinary surprises! Invite your friends and neighbors, bring the kids, and be prepared for a fun evening. A free will offering will be taken. Scan the QR code or find a link to RSVP on the church website at [www.holyspirit-elca.org/#rsvp](http://www.holyspirit-elca.org/#rsvp).



**DINNER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**— We are looking for some help setting up and cleaning up for the corned beef and cabbage dinner. And we would like some people to sign up to bring a dessert. Use the QR code to sign up or a sign up sheet is in the gathering space as well as on the church website at [www.holyspirit-elca.org/volunteer](http://www.holyspirit-elca.org/volunteer).



**COOL FOOD PANTRY**— Please consider making a donation to support the C.O.O.L. pantry. This month they are in need of cereal and peanut butter.

**FLOWER CHART**—The flower chart for next year is in the gathering space. Please sign up and remember to write clearly. The contribution for flowers is \$35.00.

**QUILTERS**— The Quilting Ministry meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

**PRAYER GROUP**— Our prayer group meets at 9:30a.m. on Thursday mornings in room 3. If you'd like to pray with us, please come! We'd love for you to join us.

**THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY**— Every Thursday morning from 10:15 to 11:30 our weekday Bible Study meets, and everyone is encouraged to attend our spirited conversations. Besides delving into the Holy Scriptures, we also study contemporary theologians, our Lutheran roots, and current issues as they impact our lives. During the month of March, we’ll begin a new unit studying the book “The Imitation of Christ” by Thomas Kempis. This work focuses on the importance of embodying the teachings of Jesus Christ, emphasizing humility,

inner reflection, and a life of devotion to God over worldly concerns. It offers profound guidance in developing a personal relationship with Christ, fostering moral integrity, and achieving spiritual enlightenment. Join us as we develop a deeper understanding of our spiritual journey in light of Christ’s example. We always close our time together in prayer.

**ON-LINE GIVING AND TEXT TO GIVE** — Our secure online giving



option makes it more convenient for members and visitors to donate. Giving is also as easy as sending a text with our text-to-give feature. Text the amount you want to donate to 844-573-1379. A registration link will be texted back for you to enter your information. Tap “Process” to complete your donation. Please scan this code with your phone to donate using our secure online giving page.

**LIVE STREAM** — Our services are live-streamed and archived on our Holy



Spirit YouTube Channel. [www.youtube.com/@churchinthewoods-holyspirit6256](http://www.youtube.com/@churchinthewoods-holyspirit6256) or scan the QR code. Please reach out to Daaron Dohler or Ryan Hathaway if you have any questions.

***“THE PARABLES OF LENT”***

Mid-Week Lenten Worship Services

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Join us for “The Parables of Lent”, a special mid-week series of services for the season of Lent. Each service in this series focuses on a biblical parable that connects to Lenten themes. Within each parable’s plot is woven a unique message about what we receive through the crucified Christ. You won’t want to miss this opportunity to enrich your own stories of faith in Jesus as you journey through the season of Lent.

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| March 12 | The Parable of the Sower and the Seed                       |
| March 19 | The Parables of the Hidden Treasure and the Priceless Pearl |
| March 26 | The Parable of the Good Samaritan                           |
| April 2  | The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard                  |
| April 9  | The Parable of the Prodigal Son                             |

## HOLY SPIRIT HAPPENINGS

<b>Sunday March 2</b>	9:30 am	Service of Holy Communion Jazz Sunday
	11:00 am	Mardi Gras
<b>Tuesday, March 4</b>	4:15 pm	LYFE
	4:30 pm	Confirmation
<b>Wednesday March 5</b>	6:15 pm	Bells
	7:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
<b>Thursday March 6</b>	9:30 am	Prayer Group
	10:15 am	Bible Study
<b>Sunday March 9</b>	9:30 am	Service of Holy Communion
	10:45 am	Brass

<b>Pastor:</b>	Rev. Timothy C. Linstrom
<b>Office Manager:</b>	Ciara Crews
<b>Music Ministers:</b>	Karen M. Jirsa, Bill Vaananen, Patrick Cantagallo, and Nancy Fencil
<b>Organist:</b>	Karen M. Jirsa
<b>Children's Ministry Director:</b>	Jennifer Williams
<b>Assistant Minister</b>	Joe Labellarte
<b>Greeters</b>	
<b>Communion Deacons</b>	Mary Lou Gilliam Nila Bilsat
<b>Ushers</b>	Christine Upadhyay
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