

We invite, encourage, educate and empower all people to follow God and serve others.

Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 27, 2022

#### **PRELUDE**

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### RINGING OF THE BELL

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

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.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty #413

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
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#### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 34:29-35

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. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near. and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; 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, 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.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 99

The LORD is king; let the people tremble. The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

The LORD, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.

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

O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool; God is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your name, O LORD, they called upon you, and you answered them,

you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept your testimonies and the decree hat you gave them.

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

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

#### SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, 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. 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. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 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. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. 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. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### SCRIPTURE READING Luke 9:28-37

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. 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. 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. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" 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. On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### SERMON

#### **HYMN**

How Good, Lord, to Be Here!

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How good, Lord, to be here!
Your glory fills the night;
your face and garments, like the sun,
shine with unborrowed light.

How good, Lord, to be here! your beauty to behold where Moses and Elijah stand, your messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past and hope of things to be, we hail your body glorified and our redemption see.

Before we taste of death, we see your kingdom come; we long to hold the vision bright and make this hill our home.

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.

#### APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almightv. creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, He will come again 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

God of grace, hear our prayer.

#### THE 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.

#### **OFFERING**

Reminder that the offering plate and the Globe offering can be found on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for contributing financially to the mission and ministry of Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

#### BENEDICTION

#### Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord, and let there be light

Lord, the light of your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us Set us free by the truth you now bring us Shine on me, shine on me (Refrain)

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me (Refrain)

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the Good News.

#### Okay, we will. Thanks be to God!

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Thursday evenings, before Worship during Lent

## LENT SOUP SUPPER

We will need 2 families each Lenten service to provide soup, set up and clean up dinner. Interested in helping? The sign-up sheet is in the narthex!







The OSL Scholarship Fund was established in 2011 by Cleon and Adare Diers, for the purpose of providing scholarships for students to continue their education beyond high school.

OSL has had the opportunity to give several scholarships away during the past 10 years. This year, we are blessed to have a group of high school seniors who have been active in youth activities at OSL, some since their days as 4-year old Vacation Bible School students. You have seen them serving 2nd Sunday Breakfast and participating in worship @ OSL.

Thank you in advance for helping these awesome students continue on their educational journey. Have questions about the financial amount of scholarships or criteria to receive scholarships?

Contact Cleon Diers at 605-484-0024.

Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Glove Offering during worship or given electronically. There is a Mission of the Month option in the dropdown section on Tith-ly.



- \*\*Those who are grieving losses of any sort, especially the friends and family of Evelyn Pullen.
- \*\*Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Peg Tesch; Roger Spitzer (friend of Dar and Gwen Schroeder); Reece Ullerich (Friend of Linda Boll); Sara (Cousin of Toni Ramsey); Matt (Cousin of Jake Borden); Gary McKean (Nephew of Lane Pine); Ryan (Nephew of Shelley Martin)
- \*\*Those with on-going concerns, including Lynzee Makowski (Niece of Rebecca Kaiser); Esther Downen; Jason Boll (Son of Linda Boll); BJ McGuire (Friend of Carmen Lakner); Rod Dikoff (Cousin of Roger); Shelly (Friend of Carla Oerter); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Michael and Jeffrey (Cousins of Donna Zuerlein)
- \*\*For our military members and their families
- \*\*For those who are homeless and those whose homes do not provide warmth and safety
- \*\* For the people of Ukraine and Russia
- \*\*For our leaders at every level
- \*\*For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far

### SYMBOLS OF ASH

Wednesday March 2nd
Ash Wednesday
Service
Meal @ 5:15pm
(See below)
Service @ 6:00pm

Thursday Evenings
(Starting March 10)

Mid-Week Lenten
Services
Soup Meal @ 5:15pm
Services @ 6:00pm
Our Savior's Lutheran
\*\*If you would like a
Holden Evening Prayer
Booklet sent to you, please
let Josie know

Mid-Week Services

Theme: Symbols of Ash based on a book by Chris Paavola

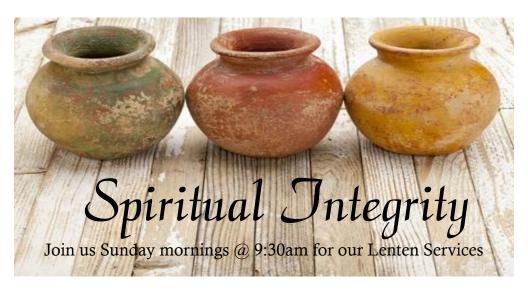
There is power in touch. Like touching the bread and wine of communion, or touching the waters of baptism, the ash of Ash Wednesday provides an opportunity for us to tangibly interact with their faith. This Lenten season we will interact with the seven Biblical uses and symbols of ash that will both challenge and comfort our faith. The whole community is invited to be a part of these mid-week services.



Join us for a belated
Fat Tuesday Dinner

before the Ash Wednesday
Service
—March 2<sup>nd</sup>
For the whole community!
Dinner starting @ 5:15pm
Service @ 6:00pm
Pancakes and Ham

\*Gluten Free pancakes available



Sunday Worship Series – Spiritual Integrity

In ancient times, when a potter needed to sell a pot that was not perfect, they would cover the crack with wax and then paint over the flaw in the pot. An unknowing buyer would not be able to see the flaw hidden by the wax. However, if a wise buyer simply held the pot up to the light, the flaw would be visible and the buyer would know the pot did not have integrity. The root of the word "integrity" means "without wax." As we are held up to the light of Christ, our flaws become visible and our "integrity" can be examined. There are many things in life that serve as "wax" to cover our flaws and make us appear better than we really are. In this series we will explore spiritual integrity and examine those things that hide the broken places of our life. A clay pot begins in dust and as water, shape, and fire are added it can become a vessel with integrity. This is our Lenten journey.