



THE TRANSFIGURATION

Transfiguration of our Lord

February 14, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus Christ, God's glory and love shone through you that day on the mountain and you persisted in revealing that glory and love through your words and deeds; through your life of humble service. We hear again these wonderful words of God "You are my Son, the Beloved, listen to him!"

We confess our failure to listen to you because of the influence on our lives of the gods of this world. When this happens our attitudes conceal rather than reveal your glory and your love.

When we conceal your love because our pursuit of other priorities prevents us from seeing and serving people in need:

forgive us, Lord.

When we conceal your glory because all we reflect is our own self-centredness:

forgive us, Lord

When we conceal your truth through our lack of credible witness:

forgive us, Lord.

When we conceal your justice through our failure to empower those

who are powerless:

forgive us, Lord.

When we conceal your mercy because of our hard and unforgiving attitudes:

forgive us, Lord.

When we conceal your compassion because of our prejudice and intolerance:

forgive us, Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,

cleans our lives of all shameful attitudes of mind and heart so that we reveal your glory in and through all we do and say and are. This we pray in your name and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

It is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness" who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. The good news is that we are not only enlightened by our belief in Christ, we are cleansed and we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Written by Moira Laidlaw

HYMN

God, Whose Almighty Word

**God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard
and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

**Christ, who once came to bring, on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight; health to the troubled mind,
sight where illusions blind; oh, now to humankind
let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove,
speed forth your flight; move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.**

**Holy and blessed three, glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might: boundless as ocean's tide,**

**rolling in fullest pride, through the earth, far and wide,
let there be light.**

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

O Holy One, on mountaintops and valley floors you reveal to us the light of your love.

Our hearts desire is to bask in the amazing glory of the divine presence. With each encounter we are changed and transformed. Draw us nearer that we might receive a double portion of your Holy Spirit.

Help us, O Holy One, to live our lives as a reflection of divine glory.

May we walk among our brothers and sister as a blessing, bearing light into dark places, hope to displace despair, and love that casts out hate. Our world is hurting and we need the followers of Jesus to follow more closely. Maybe then we will hear your voice speaking to us and saying, ... “listen to my Child, the Beloved!” Amen.

Written by the Rev. Madison Shockley

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 2:1-12

¹Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. ³The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

⁴Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. ⁵The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

⁶Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” ¹⁰He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 50:1-6

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

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

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

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

“Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”

The heavens declare the rightness of God’s cause, for it is God who is judge.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:2-9

²Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there

appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
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

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear our prayer, O God: Alleluia! Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who are 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 the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever
and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

*Go now, and speak of what you have seen of God's glory.
Do not cling to the holy moments when heaven overshadows you,
but as the Lord lives, listen to Christ and follow him from the places of
revelation to the places of mission.*

*And may God shine the light of glory into your hearts. May Christ be
with you and never leave you. And may the Spirit renew the image of
God within you.*

Written by Nathan Nettleton

SENDING HYMN *How Good, Lord, to Be Here*

**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.**

**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.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the Good News.

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God!

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Today, Sunday, February 14th

9:30am Worship with Communion @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

www.facebook.com/OSLHermosa

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10:30am Mission Committee meets

6:30-8pm HS Youth Group

Monday, February 15th

President's Day- Church office open

Wednesday, February 17th

Ash Wednesday

7:00am-12:00pm OSL will be open for prayer and Pastor Deb will be available for imposition of ashes in the building or the parking lot

6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

*See Lent section of bulletin for more info

Sunday, February 21st

9:30am Worship with Communion @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

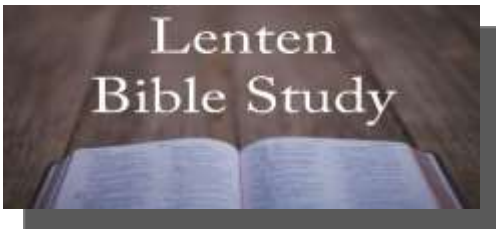
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10:30am Church Council Meets

5:00pm Confirmation

6:30-8pm HS Youth Group



Join us for a Lenten Bible Study!
Children are welcome. Study guides will be provided.

Thursdays at 7:00pm Feb 18 - March 25 via Zoom led by Chelle
Zoom Meeting ID: 886-0644-8843 Password: 372054

Mondays at 9:30 am Feb 22 - March 29 via Zoom and in the building led by Pastor Deb

Saturdays at 10 am Feb 20 - March 27 via Zoom and in the building led by Pastor Deb

Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa



We Lift in Prayer...

- **Those who are grieving losses of any sort, including the friends and family of Florence Singleton (Niece of Joy Neugebauer)
- **Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Glen; Bruce Sunding, Michael (cousin of Donna Zuerlein); Randy, Marie & Family (Cousin of Peg Tesch); Brenda Kummer; Bernadean (mother of Alan Johnson); Kara and Chad (friends of Kendra Malacek); Marlene (Aunt of Jason Virtue)
- **Those with on-going health concerns, including Ruth Sichterman (mother of Dan Mintzloff); Dennis Wilkersen; Kitty Aman; Larry Mills; Randy (Shotgun) Schumack; Peg Tesch; Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Pepper (nephew of Mike and Dianna Baschnagel)
- **For those in long-term care facilities
- **For our firefighters, our first responders and our frontline & healthcare workers.
- **For our leaders at every level.
- **For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far.



Committees & Teams at OSL

It takes the whole congregation using their gifts and skills to accomplish the ministry that we have been called to do.

God called some of you to be leaders of the congregation! Thank you to everyone who has served on Committees and/or Teams at OSL. Would you like to continue serving in this way? Have you thought about using your gifts through being on a Committee and/or a Team at OSL? We would love to have you!

If you are interested in being on the Mission Committee, Education Committee, Property Committee, Outreach Committee, Worship Committee or Prayer Shawl Team, please talk to Pastor Deb or any Church Council Member or just show up at a meeting. We need many hands to lighten the load.



DOG Night

Visit our website every Wednesday for new videos for age groups from toddlers to 8th graders. Each week will visit a new lesson!

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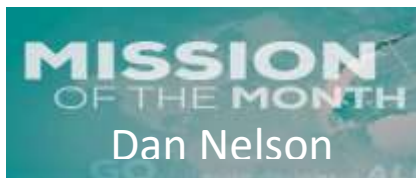


2021 BLACK HILLS COUPON BOOKS ARE HERE!!!
\$20.00

Coupon books can be purchased from Pastor Deb, Josie in the church office or a Youth Group member or future Bible Camper. Call, text or email Pastor Deb at 605-890-0781 or pastordeb@oslhermosa.com



Three of the Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota Bible camps are welcoming back campers this summer. Safety protocols will be in place following the guidelines of the American Camp Association! Pastor Deb is so excited to head camp this summer! Who wants to go with her? If you are interested or have questions, please talk to Pastor Deb or Josie.



Dan lost his home on Gumbo Lily Lane as well as all possession in the home because of a fire on November 18, 2020. He continues to live on the property in a camper with plans to begin rebuilding soon. Donations this month will help Dan with rebuilding expenses.

Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Globe Offering during worship or given electronically. There is a place to check Mission of the Month if you use Tith-ly. Thank you for your generosity.

Come and See and Be a Part of Our Lenten Journey

As we continue our journey of faith from the stable to the cross, we are continually reminded that we are called to come and see what being a disciple of Jesus is all about and we are called to invite others to come and see as well. During this season of Lent, you are invited to be a part of two worship series- *Restoring Relationships* on Sunday mornings and *Created for Community* on Wednesday evenings. The journey continues through Easter morning. May these series be tools that inspire you and others to come and see.

Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021

OSL will be open for prayer and reflection from 7 am to Noon. Pastor Deb will be available for Imposition of Ashes in the parking lot or in the building.

6:30 pm – Ash Wednesday service in the building and live stream on Facebook and YouTube. Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion will be a part of the service.



Sunday Mornings
9:30am

In person and Live on
Facebook/YouTube

*Holy Communion on Feb 7th and 21st

Lent is a time for self-examination, repentance, and confession. It's also a time to take stock of our relationships, both with God and with others. As we walk together toward the cross, we'll discover ways to restore our relationships through justice, faithfulness, trust, limits, love and forgiveness.

Wednesday Nights
6:30pm Feb. 24th,
March 3, 10, 17, 24
In person and Live on
Facebook/YouTube

Lent is also a time for deepening of community. During this pandemic time, our hearts have yearned for a deeper community that extends beyond the walls of the church and into our homes and hearts. Using readings from Mark's gospel, this Lenten worship series invites the assembly to reflect on what it means to be in community with one another, with the world, with creation, and with God.

Open to everyone in the community. Masks will be worn in the building.

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