



# HOLY CROSS

LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

A RECONCILING IN CHRIST CONGREGATION

February 15, 2026 - 9:30 am

## Transfiguration of Our Lord



### GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

*"Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises"*

ELW 535

Greeting

Song

*"Agnus Dei"*

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

*"Bound for Glory"*

Radical Ringers

### WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

#### Children's Message

**Exodus 24:12-18...** The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." <sup>13</sup> So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup> To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." <sup>15</sup> Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup> The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. <sup>17</sup> Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. <sup>18</sup> Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**2 Peter 1:16-21...** We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup> For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." <sup>18</sup> We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup> So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>20</sup> First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup> because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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**Thanks be to God.**

**Matthew 17:1-9...** Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. <sup>3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were

overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup> And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.      **Thanks be to God.**

**Message** Pastor Heather Grell

**Hymn of the Day**

*"This Little Light of Mine"*

ELW 677

**Council Installation**

**Prayers**

**Sharing God's Peace**

**MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus**

**Offering**

**Special Music**

**Offertory**

*"On Bended Knee"*

**Words of Institution**

*"Remember Me"*

**Lord's Prayer**

**Communion**

**Communion Song**

*"Beautiful Savior"*

ELW 838

**Communion Blessing**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

**SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love**

**Blessing**

**Sending Song**

*"Days of Elijah"*

**Dismissal**

**Postlude**

## Announcements

- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Thursday, February 19th from 5 to 7pm. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. As part of our mission to Feed the Hungry, our food bags include 2 cans each of fruit, tuna and soup. During our pantry distributions, we provide up to 155 food bags each pantry distribution day! Recent sale prices allowed our blue bin donations to overflow with soup allowing us to use funds on other items for the last pantry distribution! Truly a blessing! Every item donated from our pantry shopping list is very much appreciated. This week our specific focus will be fruit, tuna and soup.
- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** for 2026 are now available for purchase for \$47. Please [click here](#) to sign up or contact the church office.
- ⇒ **Lunch Bunch** meets Thursday, February 19th at 11:30 am at the Olive Garden off 75th and Dodge. All are welcome!
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** meets every Sunday from 8:45am to 9:15am in the Community Room in the Education hallway. For questions, call Paula McDonald at 402-210-6040.
- ⇒ **Ash Wednesday Worship** Join us this Wednesday, February 18th at 6:30 pm for our Ash Wednesday Worship Service.
- ⇒ **Lenten Worship Services** Join us Wednesday's in Lent beginning February 25th at 6:30 pm for our Lenten Worship Services.
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

## Calendar for Upcoming Week

### **Sunday, February 15**

9:30 am    Worship  
10:40 am    Sunday School/Adult Forum  
10:50 am    MS/HS Ensemble  
11:00 am    MS/HS Bell Choir

### **Monday, February 16**

6:30 pm    Boy Scouts  
9:00 pm    CMA Meeting

### **Tuesday, February 17**

6:30 pm    Council Meeting  
7:30 pm    AA Meeting

### **Wednesday, February 18**

5:30 pm    Food Pantry Prep  
6:30 pm    Ash Wednesday Worship

### **Thursday, February 19**

11:30am    Lunch Bunch  
5:00 pm    Food Pantry  
6:30pm    Carolan Bell Choir  
7:30 pm    Chancel Choir

### **Friday, February 20**

1:00 pm    Knitting in the Narthex  
7:00 pm    Belles N Beaus

### **Saturday, February 21**

1:00 pm    Blue and Gold Ceremony

### **Sunday, February 22**

9:30 am    Worship  
10:40 am    Sunday School/Adult Forum  
10:50 am    MS/HS Ensemble  
11:00 am    MS/HS Bell Choir  
3:00 pm    Girl Scout Troop 48012 Mtg

## Prayer Requests from our Church Community

**Member Concerns:** Norm Firkins; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

**Friends and Relatives:** Gordon Blake, father of Alisa Krueger; Paisley & Parker Rodriguez, friends of Eric Gitt; Pablo Adame, great-grandson of Connie Mertz; Kim Jones, sister-in-law of Trisha Ryan; Jane Marsh, aunt of Jen Gitt; Jim O'Grady, uncle of Pastor Heather Grell; Pat & Barry Butterfield, mother and father of Amy Odson; Deniel Algarin, nephew of Alicia Glesne; Scott Matheson, brother in law of Julie Noteman; Joshua Perilo, son of Sharon Perilo; Crosby Vargas, friend of Julie Noteman; Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sonrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; Avery W.; Ken Gross, cousin of Julie Noteman; Josh Moreau, friend of Wendy Brenner's family; Nancy Bartell, sister-in-law of Peg Schneider; Michael Schadendorf, grandfather of Edith and Tanya Valandra; Erin Peters, daughter of Gail Ginger; Anna Victor, aunt of Jen Gitt; Dave Huggins, friend of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mya Calendar, daughter of Trisha Ryan; Carol Deditz, sister of Julie Noteman; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.

**Grieving:** Kate Ferris and her family as they mourn the death of her sister-in-law.