

Peace Lutheran Church

“Peace Through Christ”

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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

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As We Gather This day ends the Epiphany season and prepares us for Lent. Jesus has been revealing His true nature through His words and actions, and on the Mount of Transfiguration three disciples see His glory revealed as transfiguring light. Moses and Elijah appear with Him, talking about His departure in Jerusalem. But our Lord then commands the disciples not to tell about the event until after Easter. Because we live after His resurrection, Paul writes in the Epistle, we recognize Jesus' true glory in going to the cross for us, for God has “shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ”

(2 Corinthians 4:6).

Welcome Children- A cry room is located near the church entryway. Please see an usher for guidance.

Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

WELCOME

+++PREPARATION+++

OPENING HYMN

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of



tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in



like a might - y flood: “Je - sus out of
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood.”
 get His prom - ise: “I am with you ev - er - more”?
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of
 the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Our gracious God has not left us alone in our fallen
 state. Jesus entered human history to die for our sins
 and rise again, bound for heaven to be at the right hand
 of God the Father. Therefore, in repentant joy and faith-
 filled confidence we go to the throne of God's grace
 confessing our sins.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: **we confess that we would prefer to ascend to the
 heavens like Elijah, but without acknowledging our
 sin. Forgive us good Lord, for letting the troubles of
 this world cloud our vision of Christ's innocence
 and blessedness. Forgive us good Lord for not
 letting His Gospel promises permeate our thinking,
 our living, and our relating. In worship the Word
 comes to us revealing Jesus, yet we leave this
 mountaintop revelation, willing to forget and
 dismiss the importance of God's Word for daily
 living. Forgive us good Lord.**

Pastor: Our hope for daily and eternal forgiveness is secure in
 Jesus, for He who was transfigured is the One who was
 raised on the third day. Therefore, by your God-given
 faith in God's only begotten Son, crucified, died, and
 risen again, who is seated at the right hand of the
 Father, all your sins are forgiven. In the name of the
 Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: "God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." *2 Corinthians 4:6*
 As Jesus entered human history to call us out of this dark world, we can now boldly enter into His presence with rejoicing.

People: In the name of Jesus. Amen!

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the blood of peace. *Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3*

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
 2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
 See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re-treat;
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va-tion bled—
 Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
 Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor-ship and a - dore.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
 O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace.
 Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+THE WORD OF GOD+

OLD TESTAMENT READING *2 Kings 2:1-12*
(God allows Elijah to enter heaven in a whirlwind.)

(After the reading is read.)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *2 Corinthians 3:12-13; 4:1-6*
(Jesus has entered our personal history.)

(After the reading is read.)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HANDBELL CHOIR “Open the Eyes of My Heart”



HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 9:2-9*

(The reality of Jesus' divinity enters the disciples' hearts and minds.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

(After the reading.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“’Tis Good, Lord to Be Here”



1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy
 2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy
 3 Ful - fill - er of the past And
 4 Be - fore we taste of death, We
 5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet



glo - ry fills the night; Thy face and gar - ments,
 beau - ty to be - hold Where Mo - ses and E -
 hope of things to be, We hail Thy bod - y
 see Thy king - dom come; We long to hold the
 we may not re - main; But since Thou bidst us



like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.
 li - jah stand, Thy mes - sen - gers of old.
 glo - ri - fied And our re - demp - tion see.
 vi - sion bright And make this hill our home.
 leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

MESSAGE

**“The Sight Of Pure Light,
For the Descent Into Lent”**

Mark 9:2-9

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HYMN

“Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory”



1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo - ry, Heav - en's voice, the daz - zling light;
 2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la - tion, They shall gain and keep its truth,
 3 Lord, trans - fig - ure our per - ception With the pur - est light that shines,



Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish; Christ a - lone com - mands the height!
 Not by build - ing on the moun - tain An - y shrine or sa - cred booth,
 And re - cast our life's in - ten - tions To the shape of Your de - signs,



Pe - ter, James, and John fall si - lent, Turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise
 But by fol - low - ing the Sav - ior Through the val - ley to the cross
 Till we seek no oth - er glo - ry Than what lies past Cal - v'ry's hill



Down - ward toward the shad - oved val - ley Where their Lord has fixed His eyes.
 And by test - ing faith's re - sil - ience Through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.
 And our liv - ing and our dy - ing And our ris - ing by Your will.

CONFESSION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

*(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew.
The ushers will pick it up after the service.)*

VOLUNTARY

OFFERTORY

"Create in Me"



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

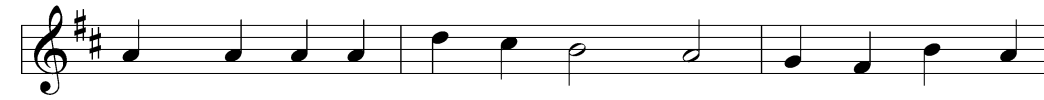
WE BID FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA

Because of the penitential character of the season of Lent, singing or saying the word "alleluia" has historically been suspended during Lent's forty days. The omission of alleluia during Lent goes back to at least the fifth century in the western church. The custom of actually bidding it farewell, however, developed in the Middle Ages. Our closing hymn is a translation of an 11th century Latin text that compares an alleluia-less Lent to the exile of the Israelites in Babylon. The text then anticipates the joy of Easter when glad alleluias will return in all their heavenly splendor.



CLOSING HYMN

"Alleluia, Song of Gladness"



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, Voice of joy that
2 Al - le - lu - ia, thou re - sound - est, True Je - ru - sa -
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways Be our song while
4 There - fore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; Al - le - lu - ia is the an - them
lem and free; Al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er,
here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia, our trans - gres - sions
Trin - i - ty, At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter



Ev - er raised by choirs on high; In the house of
All thy chil - dren sing with thee, But by Bab - y -
Make us for a while for - go; For the sol - emn
With Thy faith - ful saints on high; There to Thee for -



God a - bid - ing Thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.
lon's sad wa - ters Mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.
time is com - ing When our tears for sin must flow.
ev - er sing - ing Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

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ATTENDANCE: 2/4/24- 10:30 AM - 78

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the glory of God by Hal & Heather Williams and in memory of Darylene’s birthday; also by Elisabeth Pohl in memory of her husband and sister.

THIS WEEK AT PEACE February 11, 2024

- Sunday: 9:00 am Traditional Service
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:15 am Adult Bible Study
- 11:00 am Traditional Service
- 1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship
- 4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)
- Monday: Office closed
- Tuesday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study
- Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther’s Attic Volunteers
- 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service**
- 6:30 pm A.C.A. Women’s Support Group (PH)
- Thursday: 10:00 am Lifelight Bible Study
- 5:45 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Friday: ++++++
- Saturday: ++++++

RESCHEDULED VOTER’S MEETING

On February 25th there will be one Traditional Service in the Sanctuary at 10:30 AM. Following the service, the Meeting will begin at **12:00 Noon with a light luncheon** hosted by the Board of Fellowship. The **Meeting Call to Order will be at 12:30 PM.** Agenda items will include a review of the first six months Financial Data, the status of the Preschool, the status of projects around campus, and a discussion on the Call Process. A Zoom option will be available for the meeting if you are unable to attend in-person. Please contact Linda Young by email at nephronurse@verizon.net or by telephone at 805 236-4820 prior to **6:00 PM on Friday, February 23,** to obtain the link for the meeting.

THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, February 11, 2024

- | | 9am | 11am |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Elder: | Tom Waddell | Scott Klittich |
| Greeter: | | Cindy Klittich |
| Reader: | Todd Harter | Blaine Wanke |
| Acolyte: | Blake Denninger | Gavin Nava |
| Ushers: | Glenn Benitz | Dave Schmidt |
| | Scott Ehlers | Roy Poehler |
| | Steve Rusch | Jim DeVries |
| Altar Care: | Irene Hutchison & Marsha Larson | |
| Cookie & Coffee Service: | S. McCracken, K. Taylor, T. Andermann | |
| Organist: | Karen Foote | |
| Handbell Choir Director: | Linda La Jeunesse | |

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK, February 18, 2024

- | | 9am | 11am |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Elder: | Tom Waddell | Scott Klittich |
| Greeter: | | Charlo Stuart |
| Reader: | Bill Young | Lori Schultze |
| Acolyte: | Noah Ylizariturri | Samuel Williamson |
| Ushers: | Blaine Wanke | Mike McCracken |
| | Henry Andermann | Tom La Jeunesse |
| | Todd Harter | Rick Poore |
| Altar Care: | Irene Hutchison & Marsha Larson | |
| Cookie & Coffee Service: | S. McCracken, K. Taylor, T. Andermann | |
| Organist: | Karen Foote | |
| Choir Accompanist: | Sandy Haven | |
| Choir Director: | Linda La Jeunesse | |

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF February 4, 2024

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS is held, in the Proverbs House, our class will meet 15 minutes after service. We will begin our study of “Recovering the Joy of Theology” watching Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller present theological content in an interesting way. More info, call Kevin Krumdieck 805-551-8507

TUESDAY WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY is held at 10am on January 9th with a study of Acts. Contact Leila Langston for more info at :714-875-6340

LIFE LIGHT BIBLE STUDY meets 10 AM on Thursdays via Zoom. Contact Blaine or Diana Wanke for more info @ 805-490-8212.

PRAYER CHAIN- If you have a prayer request, please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: footstepps@verizon.net.

THE 2024 FLOWER CHART is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. There are two signups available for each Sunday, so please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Each arrangement is \$40.00, and the donation can be placed in an envelope in the offering plate. If you do write a check, please note on the check or on the envelope that the donation is designated for “Flowers”. Following the last service, you may take your arrangement home or they may be donated to one of our shut-ins.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS: Our donations for the food pantry taken to the Episcopal Church for distribution have declined in recent months. Just a reminder that there is food insecurity here in Camarillo and your donations help our neighbors. Please put your items in the box in the narthex. The Food Pantry values our partnership, which in turn is appreciated by the recipients of your generosity! Board of Social Concerns at 805-236-4820.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The signup sheet for 2024 is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex outside of the Cry Room. Please choose a favorite month to volunteer to help with this important work. You can sign up with your spouse, a friend, or you can do it alone. If you have never done this job and are interested in learning or if you need a refresher on what the job entails, there are mentors to help you. Questions? Call Linda Young