

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2026

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ✠✠✠ ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL

Good morning and welcome to Faith Lutheran Church! We are so glad that you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning. If you are new, we would like to warmly welcome you into the Faith Family as our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Please silence your cellphones during our worship service.

Prelude: "All Heaven Breaks Loose on Tabor's Height" arr. Jim Vyhanek

Opening Hymn: "Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory" LSB #416

Please stand as you are able.

Dialog for Transfiguration

P: The Lord, the God of gods has spoken; He has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

C: Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

P: The Lord is king; He is enthroned upon the cherubim.

C: The Lord is great in Zion; He is high above all peoples.

P: Let me announce the decree of the Lord: "I myself have set my king upon my holy hill of Zion."

C: "You are my Son; this day have I begotten you."

P: Let them confess His name, which is great and awesome.

C: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before His footstool.

Confession

P: Let us confession our sins to God our Father. Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned

against You in thought, word, and deed. We are truly sorry for our transgressions and implore You to forgive us and renew us.

P: God in His mercy sent His Son Jesus into the world to be our Savior! As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise: “Sing Alleluia – Praise the Lord” sung to ES IST DAS HEIL
Sing Alleluia, praise the Lord! In ev’ry land and nation,
For God above will be adored for all the world’s salvation.
Sing alleluia loud and clear as all unite to worship here
The King of all creation.

Sing Alleluia, praise the Lord! He came in rich compassion,
That those cast out would be restored in most surprising fashion.
Sing Alleluia for today; He brought His all to give away
The firstborn’s double ration.

Salutation and Collect

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: We pray together:

All: O God, in the transfiguration of Your Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus Your beloved Son, You foreshadowed our adoption as Your children. Make us heirs with Christ of Your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fulness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 24: 8-18

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson: 2 Peter 1:16-21

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 17:1-9

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed (led by the pastor)

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures**

and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \ddagger of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day: “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father’s glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set out 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***

Sermon

Pastor Dave Ficken

Offertory: "Transform Us" arr. Jim Vyhanek

Please remember to sign the guestbook.

Prayers of Intercession

Please stand as you are able.

Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Preparation Song sung to AURELIA

God gives a new beginning to those who hear His call,
Who turn from self and sinning to Christ as all-in-all;
To know Him still more clearly their simple goal and aim;
To follow Him more nearly and learn to love His name.

In songs and celebration, in penitence and prayer,
We come with adoration the bread and wine to share:
To hear His truth expounded, before His cross to bend,
And, by His saints surrounded, to find in Him a friend.

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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Please be seated

Distribution

Distribution Hymn: “’Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here” LSB #414

“O Love, How Deep” arr. Jane Lindner

Please stand

Nunc Dimittis (sung)

O Lord, now let Your servant depart in heav’nly peace,
For I have seen the glory of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

Post-Communion Collect

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, as Christ was made manifest in our world, so He is made manifest again in the bread and the wine, and for this we thank You. Use us to make Him known to all people. We ask this in Jesus’ name.

C: Amen.

Announcements

John Schnittker

Please stand as you are able.

Benediction

P: 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.
C: We go in peace to love and serve the Lord, in the name of Christ. Amen.

Closing Hymn: “Beautiful Savior” LSB #537

Postlude: “Beautiful Savior” arr. Charles Ore (b. 1936)

We remember in our Prayers today:

Prayers of Healing: Anna Marie Yates, Alice Stuckmeyer, Barb Heuser, Sara Franklin, Frederick Volff, Pastor Emeritus Tom Sanders, Brian Burkross, Dan Collins, Kathy and Dick Johnson, Angie Walker, Tonia and Jean Burkross, Mike Fiscus, Janice Vonckx, Joseph Ciculka, The Trute Family, Kim Otis, Joe Pegoraro, Frank Kerz, Bob Ehlert, Ronald Rapp, Gary Brown, Linda Campbell, Kathy Stube, Kathy Morris

Homebound: Judy Artman, Marylou Hoffmeister, Ruth Rapp, Lee Wood

Military and First Responders: Justin Sanders, Vincent Russell, Brian Phillips, Tim Hartogh, Tyler Parsons, Robert Herrmann, Lt. Robert Beckman, Nicholas Otto, David Zabilka, Charles Kolder, Andrew Wojcik, Gary Steadman, Jorge Gonzalez, Matthew Nagel, Annalisa Cangelosi, Lisa Hanson, Joshua Franklin, Tyson Moonier. and all current and former military.

Birthdays: Ilse Lotz, Erin Manning, Lauren Manning

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THIS WEEK AT FAITH

MONDAY (2/16)

Men's Bowling League — 7:00 PM

Rainbows: Transitions and Changes – 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY (2/18)

Ash Wednesday Worship Service – 12:00 PM

Choir Practice – 6:00 PM

Handbells Practice – 7:00 PM

SUNDAY (2/22)

Sunday Worship Service — 10:15 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Altar Flowers Today are given by:
The Altar Guild.***

Thank you to our wonderful reader, Eva Mullinax, and greeters, Doris Cowman, for serving our congregation this morning.

Thank you to Pastor Dave Ficken for leading our congregation in worship today. Next week we will welcome Pastor Randy Thompson for Ash Wednesday Service and Pastor Micah Greiner for Sunday morning worship service.

Next Week

Reader: Joan Henning (Ash Wednesday) , Bob Ehlert (Sunday)

Greeters: Lynn Zahour, Janet and John Schnittker (Sunday)

Announcement Reader: Lynn Zahour (Sunday)

Communion Assistants: Buzz Gross (Ash Wednesday)

Fellowship: The coffee flavor this week is Maple Bourbon. Today is the day for Hot and Fluffy Pancakes. Everyone, come on down to Fellowship Hall and help support the kids from Grace Lutheran for their annual school trip! This month's Birthday Sunday will be celebrated next Sunday, February 22nd. We will have cake and coffee to celebrate.

Bible Study: There will be NO bible study this Wednesday, February 18th. Join us for bible study on the following Wednesday in the North Room with Bob Ehlert from 10:00 to 11:00 as we continue to study Women of the Bible.

Rainbows: Rainbows has resumed and is taking place every Monday at 7:00 PM. This week's Topic will be *Transitions and Changes* . If you have any questions, please reach out to Sara Franklin at 847-567-0549.

Irish Blessing Lunch: Coming up on March 22nd is Faith's 4th Annual Irish Blessing Lunch. If you are planning to attend please RSVP with Sue Poppert either by Phone, E-Mail, or during Fellowship.

LWML Mite Boxes: Please continue to support the LWML and the many programs that are supported by the LWML with our mite box donations.

Church Website – faithlutheran-ah.org is your resource for Faith Lutheran Church. If you are in need of contact, fill out the contact form on the website

Prayer Requests – If you or someone you know is in need of a prayer, please pass it along to: the office secretary, Katie, at **office@faithlutheran-ah.org** or at (847) 253-4839 **ext. 1**

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