

**Saturday, February 10, 2024**  
*Transfiguration of Our Lord*  
*Now the Feast & Celebration*

+ Indicates please stand as you are able  
The congregation is invited to **speak text appearing in bold**

**+GATHERING+**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*  
P) Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

**C) Amen.**

P) Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our rock and refuge,

**C) we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.**

P) The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken:  
The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved. **Amen.**

**+GATHERING HYMN**      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*      **ELW 631**

Musical notation for the hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (ELW 631). The lyrics are:

1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-cel-ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov-ing Spir-it in-to ev-'ry  
3 Come, Al-might-y, to de-liv-er; let us all thy  
4 Fin-ish then thy new cre-a-tion, pure and spot-less

earth come down! Fix in us thy hum-ble dwell-ing, all thy  
trou-bled breast; let us all in thee in-her-it; let us  
life re-ceive; sud-den-ly re-turn, and nev-er, nev-er-  
let us be; let us see thy great sal-va-tion per-fect-

Musical notation for the hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (ELW 631). The lyrics are:

faith-ful mer-cies crown. Je-sus, thou art all com-pas-sion,  
find thy prom-ised rest. Take a-way the love of sin-nings;  
more thy tem-ples leave. Thee we would be al-ways bless-ing,  
ly re-stored in thee! Changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry,

pure, un-bound-ed love thou art; vis-it us with  
Al-pha and O-me-ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a-bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal-va-tion, en-ter ev-'ry trem-bling heart.  
its be-gin-ning, set our hearts at lib-er-ty.  
with-out ceas-ing, glo-ry in thy per-fect love.  
crowns be-fore thee, lost in won-der, love, and praise!

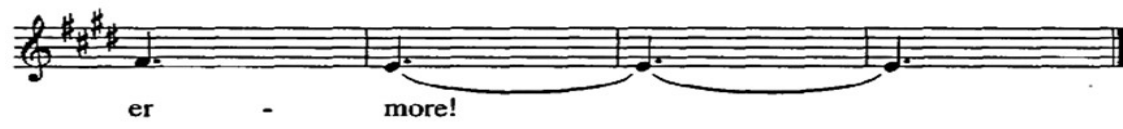
**+GREETING**

P) 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.**

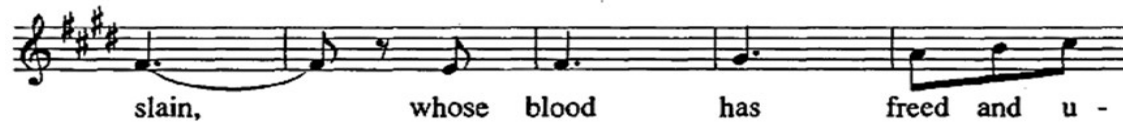
**+HYMN OF PRAISE**      *Now the Feast and Celebration*

Musical notation for the hymn "Now the Feast and Celebration". The lyrics are:

Refrain  
Congregation:  
Now the feast and cel-e-bra-tion,  
all of cre-a-tion sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and  
free-dom: praise and glo-ry for ev-



#### Verse 1:



#### Verse 2



#### Verse 3



#### +PRAYER OF THE DAY

L) Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

#### +WORD+

#### FIRST READING: 2 Kings 2:1-12

<sup>1</sup>Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>Elijah 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. <sup>3</sup>The 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." <sup>4</sup>Elijah 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. <sup>5</sup>The 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."

<sup>6</sup>Then 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. <sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then 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.

<sup>9</sup>When 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." <sup>10</sup>He 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." <sup>11</sup>As 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. <sup>12</sup>Elisha 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.

L) The word of the Lord.

C) Thanks be to God.

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation:*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

+GOSPEL: Mark 9:1-10 (from *The Message* by Eugene Peterson. 1993 NavPress)

The holy gospel according to Mark, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark's gospel presents the transfiguration as a preview of what would become apparent to Jesus' followers after he rose from the dead. Confused disciples are given a vision of God's glory manifest in the beloved Son.

<sup>1</sup> Then he drove it home by saying, "This isn't pie in the sky by and by. Some of you who are standing here are going to see it happen, see the kingdom of God arrive in full force."

<sup>2-4</sup> Six days later, three of them *did* see it. Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain. His appearance changed from the inside out, right before their eyes. His clothes shimmered, glistening white, whiter than any bleach could make them. Elijah, along with Moses, came into view, in deep conversation with Jesus.

<sup>5-6</sup> Peter interrupted, "Rabbi, this is a great moment! Let's build three memorials—one for you, one for Moses, one for Elijah." He blurted this out without thinking, stunned as they all were by what they were seeing.

<sup>7</sup> Just then a light-radiant cloud enveloped them, and from deep in the cloud, a voice: "This is my Son, marked by my love. Listen to him."

<sup>8</sup> The next minute the disciples were looking around, rubbing their eyes, seeing nothing but Jesus, only Jesus.

<sup>9-10</sup> Coming down the mountain, Jesus swore them to secrecy. "Don't tell a soul what you saw. After the Son of Man rises from the dead, you're free to talk." They puzzled over that, wondering what on earth "rising from the dead" meant.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Guest Preacher, Emily Reimers - CSU Student

+HYMN OF THE DAY

*Christ, Be Our Light*

ELW 715

1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for  
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for  
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the

truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.

*Refrain*

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the

dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your

church gath - ered to - day.

+ THE APOSTLES' CREED (*We Confess What We Believe.*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

L) As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God’s blessing on the church, the world,  
and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

(God of grace, **receive our prayer.**)

L) Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in  
the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

+PEACE *(We share a sign of peace)*

P) The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

+MEAL+

**OFFERING** *Please take this opportunity to sign the red friendship pad and pass to your neighbor- so you  
can greet the people in your row!*

OFFERING SONG

*As the Grains of Wheat*

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.  
1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst, when  
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

+OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to  
us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name  
we pray. Amen.

+THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider: Congregation:

The Lord be with you. And al - so with  
you. Lift up your hearts. We  
lift them to the Lord. Let us give  
thanks to the Lord our God. It is  
right to give God thanks and praise.

+PREFACE It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...

+HOLY, HOLY

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might;— Heav-en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the  
One who comes in your name.— Ho - san - na in the  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

**+WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**+LORD'S PRAYER**  
**C) Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**  
**your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**  
**Give us today our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**+INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P) At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see. Come and receive!

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION** *All are welcome – Wine or grape juice and gluten-free bread available.*  
*We gather around the altar for Holy Communion, by east and west sections. You may intinct or drink from the cup, or take a cup from the tray.*

**LAMB OF GOD**

*Congregation:*  
*Congregation or assistant:*  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

*Congregation:*  
world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,  
*Final time: Cong. or assistant:*  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
*Congregation:*  
take a-way the sin of the world: grant us peace,  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMN** *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* **ELW 461**

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.  
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.  
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.  
Come from wil-der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
Come from rest-less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.  
You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.  
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.  
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.  
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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**+POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P) May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

## +PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C) Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.

## +SENDING+

### +BLESSING

P) God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, ☩ bless you and remain with you always. Amen.

### +SENDING SONG

*We are Marching in the Light of God*

ELW 866

*Please use the red ELW hymnal*

### +DISMISSAL

L) Go in peace. You are God's beloved

C) Thanks be to God.

### Worship Leaders

CSU Student Preacher- Emily Reimers Presider- Pr Carlos Schneider Music Director – Gavin Allen-Dunn

Accompanists – Saturday: Michael Millan; Sunday: Gavin Allen-Dunn

Lectors – Sat: Ron Schlattman; Sun: Sarajane Grandia; Sound – Eric Backsen

Ushers – Greg Warfield, Randy & Shelley Johnson

Altar Guild/Communion Assistants – Judy Richardson, Jan Schneider

Baker – Carolyn Greeb; Coffee Cups – Sarajane Grandia

Altar Flower sponsors – Kathy & Gordon Cisar – for almost Valentine's Day!

**We welcome Emily Reimers, CSU Student Preacher today! Thank you!**

**WORSHIP - Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, February 14** - Join us for the joint Loveland worship service at Noon here at KOG, and also at 7:00pm.

**GROW - Sunday Adult Ed - Fellowship Room: 10:45 am.** This Sunday, we continue the course from LIRS (Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service) - Pastor Carlos will be leading. Join us in person or on-line.

❖ **High School Youth event** – Saturday February 17 at *Hearts and Horses* – 1:30-4:00pm

**SERVE -The Celebration of Life for Don Specht** will be **Saturday February 17, 11:00am** at King of Glory. There will be a reception afterwards at a location announced at the funeral.

❖ **SafeLot Ministry - KOG is hosting in February** --Thank you volunteers!

❖ **Our Lenten theme is: In His Steps.** As we undertake our Lenten disciplines our spirits are renewed because we are walking in Jesus' steps. Lent will be renewal as we grow deeper in faith. **Pick up a Devotional from the Information Table – *Gathered into One*.**

❖ **Lenten Midweek noon services** are planned. Sign up to bring a pot of soup for lunch- **Beginning Feb. 21**

❖ **Thank you from the Banner Team** - The Banner Committee would like to thank Jerry Rogers, Bob Grandia and Dale Kunkel for installing our new banner hooks. We appreciate they spent their Saturday morning to measure and place hooks in the sanctuary. Thank you all very much! *Sarajane Grandia, Debbie Kunkel and Jeanette Williams*

## FIFTY years of impact...

In 1974, as hunger increased at an alarming rate around the world, Lutherans in the United States launched the World Hunger Appeals. Members of Lutheran congregations across the country participated by fasting for one meal per week and donating the cost of that meal to their neighbors experiencing food insecurity. Those appeals eventually grew into ELCA World Hunger, which is now at work addressing the root causes of poverty in 67 countries around the world, including the United States.

Over the last 50 years, hundreds of thousands of generous people from across this church have contributed more than \$650 million to support ELCA World Hunger. Together we have made great strides against hunger and poverty, providing food to meet immediate needs while equipping communities to foster long-term change through access to education and quality health care, sustainable solutions in agriculture, and advocacy for just laws that make ending hunger possible.

**King of Glory has been part of this story from the very beginning**, a story of faith in action, a story of hope. But most of all a story of a church set free for bold abundant love and service, a church that responds to God's invitation to transform the world. While we reflect on how far this ministry has come, we know how far we have to go.

Fifty years after ELCA World Hunger was founded, we find ourselves at another critical moment in history. Amid rising costs, global conflict, the lingering impact of COVID-19, and intensifying effects of climate change, the world once again faces a startling rise in hunger that is undoing decades of progress.

**As we journey through Lent, we will reflect on specific stories of ministries funded through YOUR gifts. Our annual offering will be taken on Palm Sunday!**

**Look for the display in the concourse and pick up a copy of the Lenten devotional book or calendar.**



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