

WELCOME!

We are happy you have chosen to worship at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd!
Please use this bulletin as a guide for today's liturgy. Join us for treats after worship!

PARENTS & KIDS: We have a few special things to help children enjoy worship:

- Children's Chapel is at the back of the sanctuary with a bookshelf filled with books and other activities. You are welcome to bring a Bible into worship with you today!
- In the back of the sanctuary are Joy Bags filled with fun activities for younger kids.
- Come sit in the front of the sanctuary so your child can see everything that's happening!
- Please come up front for the Children's Sermon! (Parents, you are welcome to come up with your child to help them feel more comfortable.)

We love to have children in worship, but we also understand that sometimes kids need a break.

For more information about LCGS go to www.lcgsduluth.org

You will find a sign up for a weekly e-mail of events and updates!

People can give online by going to www.onrealm.org/LCGSDuluth/Give. You can text LCGSDULUTH to 73256 followed by the gift amount, to give online through text.

Or people can mail their gift to Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 1325 N 45th Ave E, Duluth, MN 55804.

LCGS Office is open: office@lcgsduluth.org

Monday – Thursday 9am-4pm

Friday 9am – noon

Pastor Lisa Buchanan is in the office Monday – Wednesday and working from home on Thursdays. Please call/email to make an appointment if you would like to meet with her and have her full attention! interim@lcgsduluth.org or 218-525-1922

Katie Rich, Director of Faith Formation

has varied hours to meet the schedules of families and programs, especially in the summer!

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Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

February 15, 2026—Transfiguration Sunday

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

PRELUDE

“Adagio from Concerto in A minor” by A. Vivaldi, arr. J. S. Bach

**asterisk indicates when stand as able*

+ **GATHER** +

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Let's go up the mountain.

C: Let's go up to the place where the land meets the sky where the earth touches the heavens,

P: to the place of meeting,

C: to the place of mists,

P: to the place of voices and conversations,

C: to the place of listening.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (adapted from William Loader)

L: O God, we open our eyes and we see Jesus, the months of ministry transfigured to a beam of light, the light of the world, your light.

C: May your light shine upon us.

L: We open our eyes and we see Moses and Elijah, your word restoring us, showing us the way, telling a story, your story, his story, our story.

C: May your word speak to us.

L: We open our eyes and we see mist, the cloud of your presence which assures us of all we do not know and that we do not need to fear that.

C: Teach us to trust.

L: We open our eyes and we see Peter's constructions, his best plans, our best plans, our missing the point, our missing the way.

C: Forgive us when we miss the mark. Help us understand.

Flex Family Camp at Camp Hiawatha !ALL FAMILIES! - July 6-10 at Camp Hiawatha
www.vlmcamps.org

Last year, four families from Good Shepherd went to Flex Family Camp. What we loved about it: you pick how long you want to stay! You can come to camp for just a couple of nights, or all week! You must sign up through VLM (Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry) but sliding scholarships are available from Good Shepherd (pay what you feel comfortable with, and we can help cover the rest...) Please let me know if you have any questions or would like more information. Or, you can check out their website: <https://www.vlmcamps.org/summer-camps/flex-family-camp>
SUMMER CAMP! We also love VLM (Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion) for all their summer camp opportunities. Whether that’s family camp, a full week at camp, shorter camp options for younger kids, canoeing, or hockey camp! They have great options, so if you are interested, please check them out.

We are putting together a church-wide Art Show!

Holy Art by Everyone
What is Holy Art?
Holy Art can be anything!
Pray or think about God while you paint, draw, collage... get creative!

Pick up a canvas here at church, and return it by/before Sunday, March 15.
There are boxes for both pick up and drop off in the Gathering Space.

These are our Sunday School "To Go" bags this year,
but we'd love to have all ages to participate!
Help the Sunday School kids "Create Church Together" by joining in this intergenerational, church-wide expression of Holy Art

CHUM continues to be low on food! Thank you all who brought food for CHUM at the cross in the entry of the main doors!! It is a spot to leave food anytime you have a chance! In addition to any food donations, we would like to gather gently used warm jackets, boots, hats, gloves, socks, etc that can be used at Chum and Damiano, the past few weeks of cold has impacted their supply of these items. **THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!**

own interpretation,²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.
L: Here ends the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAIMATION: *“Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia”* S102

***GOSPEL:** Matthew 17:1-9
P: The holy gospel is from Matthew, the 17th chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ 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.” ⁵ 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!” ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” ⁸ And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.
⁹ 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.”

P: This is the gospel of our Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN *“Be Thou My Vision”* ELW 793

OFFERING & SPECIAL MUSIC
 “Butterfly Wings” by Suzanne Dawson, performed by Scarlett Buchanan
 “Mischievous Maker” by Diane Hidy, performed by Alex Buchanan

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**
L: As God’s beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.
 A brief silence.
L: Revealing God, your Spirit sustains the church. Strengthen the faithful with the revelation of Christ transfigured, that we may joyfully follow him in the way of the cross. Merciful God,
C: receive our prayer.



