

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Almighty God, on the mountain you showed your glory in the transfiguration of your Son. Give us the vision to see beyond the turmoil of our world and to behold the king in all his glory; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.**

## **FIRST READING: Exodus 24:8-18**

<sup>8</sup>Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said, “See the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.”<sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up,<sup>10</sup> and they saw the God of Israel. Under his feet there was something like a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness.<sup>11</sup>God did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; also they beheld God, and they ate and drank.<sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and 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 into the mountain of God.<sup>14</sup>To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for 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 people of Israel.<sup>18</sup>Moses

entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

## **PSALM: Psalm 2:6-12**

<sup>6</sup>“I have set my king on Zion, my holy hill.”

**7 I will tell of the decree of the LORD: He said to me, “You are my son; today I have begotten you.**

<sup>8</sup>Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

**9 You shall break them with a rod of iron, and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”**

<sup>10</sup>Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

**11 Serve the LORD with fear, with trembling**

<sup>12</sup>kiss his feet, or he will be angry, and you will perish in the way; for his wrath is quickly kindled. Happy are all who take refuge in him.

## **SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21**

<sup>16</sup>For 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.

## **GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9**

<sup>17</sup>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 dazzling white.<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 make three dwellings 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 from the cloud a voice 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 looked up, 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.”

## WEEK AT BETHANY

**Today: February 15<sup>th</sup>**

Transfiguration of Our Lord

9:15-Adult SS/Youth SS

9:30-Coffee Fellowship

10:30-Worship w/Communion

Noisy Offering

11:30-Potluck

Prayer Group after Potluck

4:00-4-H Club Mtg

**Tuesday: February 17<sup>th</sup>**

8:30-Prayer Group

9:30-Morning Coffee @ BLC

**Wednesday: February 18<sup>th</sup>**

7:00PM-Ash Wednesday

Communion Service

**NO CONFIRMATION**

**Sunday: February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

First Sunday in Lent

9:15-Adult SS/Youth SS

9:30-Coffee Fellowship

10:30-Worship, SS Sing

11:45-Bethany Prayer Group

4:00-Laurens Care Center

**Prayer Concerns:** Bethany Lutheran Church members, nursing home residents, storm/flood/fire victims, those suffering any illness, Shannon Hersom, Pat Boughey, Mary Roat, Todd & Elizabeth Wood, Jerry Runneberg, Myles Pedersen, Pastor John Mayer, Monica Isom, Eli Honer, Dorothy Sandvig, Gloria Bell, Helen Dodge, Patricia Bentsen. Our youth, parents & teachers, our military & missionaries.

**Lectors:** Rhonda Shewell

**Ushers:** February 15<sup>th</sup>-Dean & Eloise Armstrong

February 22<sup>nd</sup>-Jean Swanson & Tammy Oxenreider

**Acolytes:** Bethany Youth

**Weekly Budget Needs: \$ 2817.00**

Faith Promise \$550.00

Worship 31

Sunday School \$6.00

SS 5 Adult 4

**Birthdays:** Feb 17-Jim Van Sickle; Feb 17-Cole Runneberg, Brooke Seiler, Ethan Runneberg; Feb 20-Katy Roling;

Please note that the blue CH (Celebration Hymnal) is located under the pew in front of you.

An asterisk (\*) indicates when to stand (for those who are able)

### ORDER OF THE SERVICE

PRELUDE/ RINGING OF THE BELL

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\*HYMN *When the Morning Gilds the Skies* LBW 546

\*GREETING P.57

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\*HYMN OF PRAISE P.60

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY (bulletin-in unison)

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**Psalm: Psalm 2:6-12** (bulletin – Responsively)

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**\*THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9**

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor David Klappenbach

HYMN *How Good, Lord, to Be Here* LBW 89

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\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: "...Lord, in your mercy."

Response: "hear our prayer."

\*THE PEACE

OFFERING / \*OFFERTORY P.66

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\*HYMN *On Our Way Rejoicing* LBW 260

\*DISMISSAL



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To our visitors! Welcome to our Sunday Service. We are happy to have you sharing in our worship service and ask for the opportunity to meet you. We invite you to complete the visitor card in front of you. Please come again!

Welcome to our Communion Sunday Service.

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. We are happy to have you sharing in our worship service and ask for the opportunity to meet you. We invite you to complete the Communion/Visitor card in front of you. Please come again!