

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD  
Transfiguration Sunday  
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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

*Shine, Jesus, Shine*

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.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,  
From the shadows into Your radiance.  
By the blood I may enter your brightness.  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.  
Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

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.

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INVOCATION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our rock and refuge,  
**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.**

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.**

## **KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above,  
and for our salvation,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world,  
for the well-being of the Church of God,  
and for the unity of all,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house,  
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *How Majestic is Your Name*

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
O Lord, we praise your name!  
O Lord, we magnify your name.  
Prince of Peace, Mighty God, O Lord God Almighty!

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## GREETING

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.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: 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.

## KIDS' TIME

Pastoral Assistant Sandra

## 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.

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

**Psalm 147:1-11, 20c**

*(read responsively)*

<sup>1</sup>The mighty one, God the LORD,  
speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

<sup>2</sup>**Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
God shines forth.**

<sup>3</sup>Our God comes and does not keep silence,  
before him is a devouring fire,  
and a mighty tempest all around him.

<sup>4</sup>**He calls to the heavens above  
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

<sup>5</sup>“Gather to me my faithful ones,  
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

<sup>6</sup>**The heavens declare his righteousness,  
for God himself is judge.**

**SECOND READING**

**2 Corinthians 4:3-6**

<sup>3</sup>Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PREPARING FOR THE WORD

**ALLELUIA**

*Alleluia (I Am the Light of the World)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, I am the light of the world.

Alleluia, Alleluia, I am the light of the world.

Those who follow me will not walk in darkness.

Those who follow me will have the light of life.

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Alleluia, Alleluia, I am the light of the world.

Those who follow me will not walk in darkness.

Those who follow me will have the light of life.

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Alleluia, Alleluia, I am the light of the world.

The holy gospel according to Mark, the ninth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL**

**Mark 9:2-9**

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**Reverend Nicole Martin**

## SONG OF THE DAY

## *I See the Lord*

I see the Lord, and He is seated on the throne.  
The train of His robe is filling the heavens.  
I see the Lord, and He is shining like the sun.  
His eyes full of fire, His voice like the waters.  
Surrounding His throne and thousands singing

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.  
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## APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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 THE PEOPLE

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

*Prayer response:* God of grace, receive our prayer.

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.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

## OFFERING

*We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this congregation possible. We encourage everyone to give. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at [zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving](http://zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving) or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.*



## OFFERING SONG

### *In the Secret (I Want to Know You)*

In the secret, in the quiet place,  
In the stillness you are there.  
In the secret, in the quiet hour, I wait only for You.  
'Cause I want to know You more.

I want to know You.  
I want to hear Your voice.  
I want to know You more.  
I want to touch You.  
I want to see Your face.  
I want to know You more.

I am reaching for the highest goal.  
That I might receive the prize.  
Pressing onward, pushing every hindrance aside, out of my way.  
'Cause I want to know You more.

I want to know You.  
I want to hear Your voice.  
I want to know You more.  
I want to touch You.  
I want to see Your face.  
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### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray together: **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.**

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also 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 our thanks and praise.**

### **LITANY**

Each of us is broken by sin and less than God has created us to be, but this does not disqualify us from being touched by God and serving God in any capacity, large or small, broken as we are.

**God uses broken things. It takes broken clouds to give rain, broken ground to give grain, broken grain to give bread, broken bread to give strength.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of The Lord's Supper bringing to us*

### COMMUNION SONG

### *Beautiful Savior*

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man.  
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flowers of blooming spring.  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high.  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,  
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man.  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be thine.

### BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: **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.**

## **BLESSING**

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**

### *You Shine*

Why should I fear man  
When You made the heavens.  
Why should I be afraid  
When You put the stars in place.

Why should I lose heart  
When I know how great You are.  
Why should I give up  
When Your plans are full of love.

In this world we will have trouble.  
But You have overcome the world.

You shine brighter than the brightest star.  
Your love, purer than the purest heart.  
You shine, filling us with courage and strength  
To follow You.

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## **SENDING WORDS**

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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