

**Sunday Worship
February 27, 2022**



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INTRODUCTION

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Beautiful Savior

Arr. Keesecker

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

C: **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

P: Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN Red hymnal #316

O Wondrous Image, Vision Fair

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy and peace be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord

P: Let us pray . . .

C: **Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

R: ²⁹Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

R: ¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into

the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #611 (vs. 3) *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

C: **I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus , and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.**

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to **Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]**

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: ²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

[³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at

once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ⁴³And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Kristen Zimmann

HYMN Red hymnal #531 *The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing*

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 again 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 CHURCH *(Response after each petition)*

P: Lord in your mercy,
C: **Hear our prayer**

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, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING—Invitation—God’s Work Continues

OFFERTORY SONG #113

C: Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev-'ry people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Now Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

BLESSING

P: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #318

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

C The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is: “**Serving Christ through serving others.**”

P: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky

Arr. Callahan

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God
by Phil Elliott. in memory of Boots Elliott.*

*Prayer concerns for Zion’s prayer chain may be submitted
using a ‘Prayer Request’ card from the pew rack.*

Total Attendance 2/19 & 2/20: Sunday School Attendance:

Unified Giving: \$

Adult:

Building Fund: \$

Youth: Kids:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH: Souper Bowl of Caring to benefit Needy Baskets: Needy Basket provides food for individuals who find it difficult to obtain enough food to feed their families. You will find a large bowl on the table in the lounge area or being held by one of Zion's youth at the close of each service. Please consider putting your spare change or a few bills or a check made payable to **Women of Zion** in the bowl. Women of Zion will match whatever is collected up to \$300.

THE MISSION COMING IN MARCH: Eagles Wings

ASH WEDNESDAY is March 2. A service will be held at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. The imposition of ashes and communion will be served at this service.

REMINDERS FOR NEXT SATURDAY 3/5 & SUNDAY 3/6 —

- **Food Pantry Collection** is the first Sunday of every month. Donations of non-perishable food items can be placed in the green barrel in the Walnut Street entrance. Needy Baskets picks up the items and distributes the food to those in need in our community.
- **Thank Offering** will be collected in the back of the church by the Women of Zion. Money will be used to support the Good Samaritan Fund here at Zion which assists those in our community who need help paying rent, utilities, medical, gas etc.

COMMUNION IN MARCH

Ash Wednesday, March 2

Saturday, March 26

Sunday, March 6 & March 20

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join our lively discussions each Sunday morning at 9:00 in the Adult Sunday School Room during Lent. In the class we will begin the series "24 Hours That Changed the World" by Adam Hamilton. The seven video-based sessions will

help you better understand the events that occurred during the last 24 hours of Jesus' life; to see more clearly the theological significance of Christ's suffering and death; and to reflect upon the meaning of these events for your life. The sessions include: The Last Supper, The Garden of Gethsemane, Condemned by the Righteous, Jesus, Barabbas, and Pilate, The Torture and Humiliation of the King, The Crucifixion, and Christ the Victor.

THE COMMUNICATIONS & WELCOMING COMMITTEE will meet on Wed., March 8th at 5:00 p.m.

BUNCO NIGHT will take place on Saturday, March 12th at 6:00 PM. Join us for a night of Bunco. Pizza will be served. Please bring your drink and a snack to share. Donations will be available to help defray the cost of the pizza.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE—1 Pint can save 3 lives!

On **Wednesday, March 16** from 1 pm to 7 pm Zion will host the Red Cross in a blood drive here in the Fellowship Hall. COVID Antibody testing is being completed on all donations.

The American Red Cross has excellent social distancing and sanitizing protocols in place. Download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App or jump online at redcrossblood.org to schedule your time. Please see the flyer hanging in the hallway as you exit the fellowship hall.

A MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE will take place on Wednesday, March 23 at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

THANK YOU to all those who helped or purchased items from the Valentine's Bake Sale for the Youth Gathering Fund. Over \$600.00 was received plus the Women of Zion will give an additional \$300.00.

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