



Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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WELCOME

We are glad that you have chosen to spend time with us in worship. In our worship, we gather, before Jesus, our Good Shepherd, to offer him our love and praise. Our Lord builds us up in faith through his Word and equips us for living now and in eternity. Our prayer is that the good news of Christ's love touches your heart and transforms your life. Whether you're worshiping with us here today or watching online, we are happy you have joined us.

WORSHIP SERVICE

The goal of our worship is to praise God and enrich your faith through his Word. To make your experience today easier, the worship folder you're holding has the entire order of service. The pieces marked [P] are spoken by the pastor, and the parts marked [C] are to be spoken or sung by the congregation. If you prefer to use a physical hymnal or wish to see the songs in four -part harmony, there are hymnals available in the pew stands.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

Our congregation enjoys the "worshiping family." Each service includes a children's message which teaches God's truth to your kids. Parents with small children are an essential part of God's kingdom. That's why children are never considered an inconvenience to our worship. We also want your family to be comfortable. There is a cry room outside the main doors to the right if you need a moment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alter Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Steve and Jolene Shult in memory of Steve's mom, Donna Shult.

New Hymnal Update: Today marks the first service using the New Hymnals. This worship folder has been updated to reflect the format of service from the new hymnals. The hymns are printed showing melody line only; if you prefer to see the four-part harmony, hymnals are available in the pew stands.

New Hymnal Practice: If anyone would like to continue practicing the liturgy from the new hymnals, we will continue to meet on Sunday afternoons at 1:00 before service. Please speak with Laura Metcalf if you have any questions.

Camp Croix Presentation: After our worship service today we will have a short presentation by TJ Holderbecker, the Program Director of Camp Croix. TJ will talk about the future plans of Camp, give information about the coming year's ministry and how you can enjoy the beauty of God's creation in the Northwoods.

Call Meeting: Our next call meeting will be on Thursday, March 6th, following the Ash Wednesday service.

Ash Wednesday Service: Our Lenten season starts this week with our Ash Wednesday service being held on Thursday, March 6th. We will have a soup/supper starting at 6:00pm, with service at 7:00pm. The Lent services will be each Thursday until Holy Week.

Men's Fellowship Event: There is a Men's Fellowship Bockfest Event planned for Saturday, March 8th, starting at 11am. We will meet at the parsonage for a Bible Study centered on the Book of Titus and then bundle up to partake in some smoked meats, sauer-kraut, Polka Music, Hammerschlagen, and fire-poked bock beer outside around a fire. Contact Peter Moeri with any questions.

Women's Bible Study: Please mark your calendars for the next Bible study on Tuesday, March 25th at 6pm.

For more announcements and event information, visit the church website at www.dulutheran.org/events or sign up for our weekly email at www.dulutheran.org/subscribe. You can also view the church calendar at www.dulutheran.org/church-calendar.

OPENING HYMN: This Brightness, Lord! What Shall I Say

CW 392



- 5 No glory lights the plains below where trials rise and troubles flow, and yet I know you'll help me bear each blessèd cross that's waiting there.
- 6 I'll soon exchange this mountain sight for heaven's everlasting light; your brightness, Lord, will then be mine, and then my face, like yours, will shine.

Stand

INVOCATION

- P: In the name of the Father and of the \(\mathbb{F}\) Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CW 154

- P: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
- C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unright-eousness.
- P: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.
- C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

ABSOLUTION CW 154

P: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



P: 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.

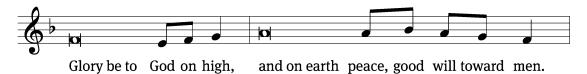


P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

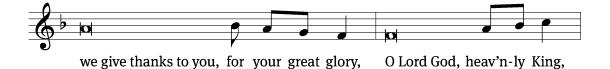


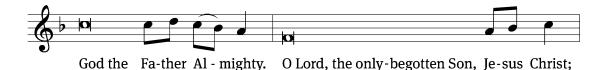
P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



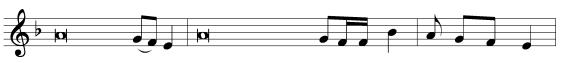






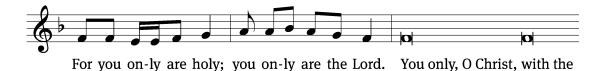


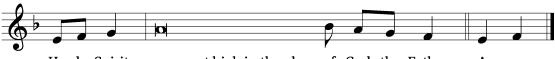




have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.







Ho-ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of your only-begotten Son, you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice that came from the bright cloud, you foreshadowed our adoption as your sons. In your mercy, make us co-heirs of glory with Jesus our King, and bring us at last to heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be seated

FIRST READING

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses' Shining Face

²⁹When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the Testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not realize that the skin of his face was shining because he had been speaking with the LORD.

³⁰When Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, they were amazed that the skin of his face was shining, so they were afraid to come close to him. ³¹Moses called to them, so Aaron and all the rulers of the community returned to him, and Moses spoke to them. ³²Afterward, all the people of Israel came close to him, and he gave them all of the commands that the LORD had spoken to him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses was finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. ³⁴But whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off until he came out again. Then he would come out and tell the people of Israel what he had been commanded. ³⁵Whenever the people of Israel saw Moses' face, they would see that the skin of Moses' face was shining. Then Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with the LORD again.

- P: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 3:7-18

The Ministry of the Spirit

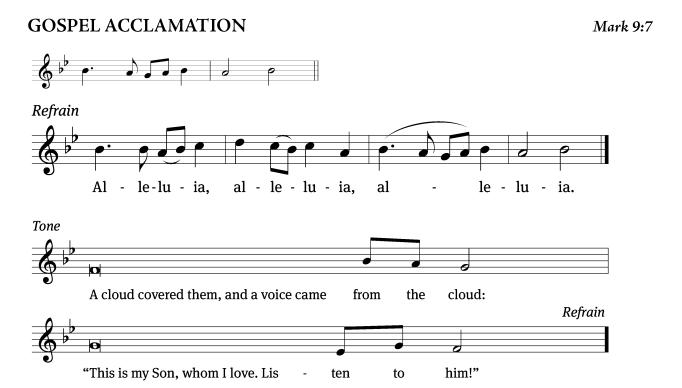
⁷If the ministry that brought death (which was engraved in letters on stone) came with glory, so that the Israelites could not look directly at the face of Moses because of the glory of his face (though it was fading), ⁸how will the ministry of the

spirit not be much more glorious? ⁹For if the ministry that brought condemnation has glory, the ministry that brought right-eousness has even more glory. ¹⁰In fact, in this case, what was glorious is no longer very glorious, because of the greater glory of that which surpasses it. ¹¹Indeed, if what is fading away was glorious, how much more glorious is that which is permanent!

¹²Therefore, since we have this kind of hope, we act with great boldness. ¹³We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face, so that the Israelites could not continue to look at the end of the radiance, as it was fading away. ¹⁴In spite of this, their minds were hardened. Yes, up to the present day, the same veil remains when the Old Testament is read. It has not been removed because it is taken away only in Christ. ¹⁵Instead, to this day, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸But all of us who reflect the Lord's glory with an unveiled face are being transformed into his own image, from one degree of glory to another. This too is from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

- P: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Stand



GOSPEL Luke 9:28–36

The Transfiguration

²⁸About eight days after he said these words, Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹While he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothing became dazzling white. ³⁰Just then, two men, Moses and Elijah, were talking with him! ³¹They appeared in glory and were talking about his departure, which he was going to bring to fulfillment in Jerusalem.

³²Peter and those with him were weighed down with sleep, but when they were completely awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

³³As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let's make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not realize what he was saying.

³⁴While he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them. They were afraid as they went into the cloud. ³⁵Then a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" ³⁶After the voice had spoken, they found Jesus alone. They kept this secret and told no one in those days any of the things they had seen.

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children in attendance today may come up to the altar steps and sit for a special devotion with Pastor Warskow. This service segment is intended to engage the children to help them understand today's message. They will return to their seats afterward.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Down from the Mount of Glory

CW 388



- 1 Down from the mount of glo ry came Je sus Christ, our Lord.
- 2 Trans fig ured, Christ, the low ly, stood ra-diant in the light,
- 3 Yet mark this glo ry hid den! See him the mount de-scend
- 4 Strange how his jour ney end ed! In love that is his fame
- Then hail the dou ble glo ry of Je sus Christ, our Lord,



Re - call the won-drous sto - ry, rich gem Word. sa - cred light found in God-head sole - ly, for hu - man bright. eyes too and, by the Fa - ther bid - den, his will - ing bend foot - steps our Lord a - gain as - cend - ed a mount-the hill of shame. let the won-drous sto - ry full peace and joy af - ford!



A - gain your faith will view him in dou - ble glo - ry here; Then came a voice from heav - en, con-firmed what here we see; to seek hu - mil - i - a - tion in deep - est depths of woe, Up - on the cross he prof - fered him - self to ag - o - ny; The ho - ly mount ac-claims him the maj - es - ty di - vine;



great - er hom - age him will due in your life ap - pear. the seal his the words "my Son" were giv en to de - i - tv. da - tion no mind can probe or know. to suf - fer deg - ra set the guilt - y soul he of - fered to Mount Cal - va - rv pro - claims him Re - deem - er— yours and mine.

The Gospel Transforms Us

2 Corinthians 3:7-18

Stand

CONFESSION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

(THE NICENE CREED)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P: Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.
- C: Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.
- P: Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.
- C: Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.
- P: Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.
- C: Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.
- P: Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.
- C: Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.
- P: Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.
- C: Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.
- P: Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.
- C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.
- P: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

- P: We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.
- C: Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.
- P: Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.
- C: Amen.

WORSHIPING THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS



Members of Shepherd of the Hills respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully and freely according to how the Lord has blessed them. If you are a guest today, please know that there are no expectations for you to make a donation. If you wish to support us by making an online offering, scan the QR code here or visit our website: www.dulutheran.org and click on the "GIVE" tab.

▼ SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER **▼**

Stand

PREFACE CW 165

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, al mighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:









bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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.

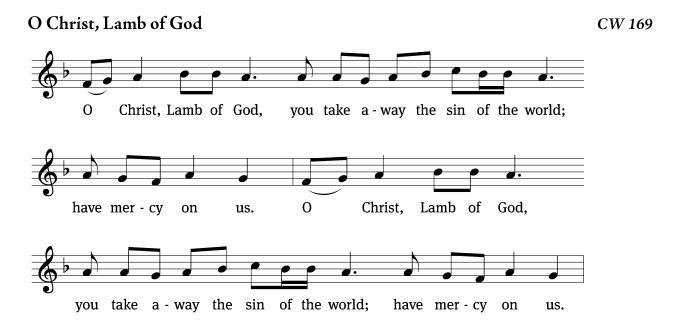
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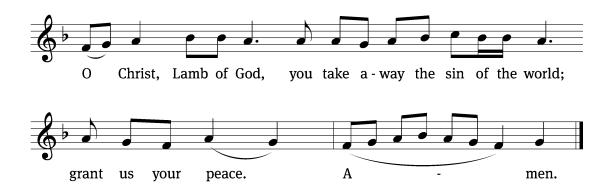
P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my \(\mathbb{\Pi}\) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my *\ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

PAX DOMINI

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.





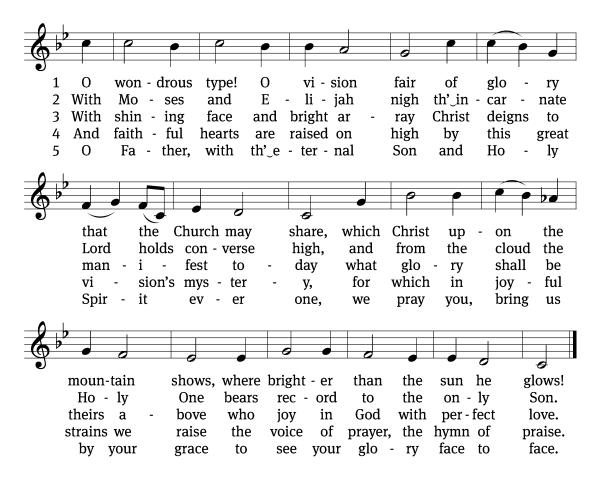
Be seated

DISTRIBUTION

The Lord's Supper is a wonderful gift in which we receive Christ's true body and blood for our forgiveness and the strengthening of our faith. It is our practice that only those who are members of Shepherd of the Hills or members of another WELS congregation come forward to receive Holy Communion. If you are a visitor from another Christian church, we kindly ask that you refrain from participating in the Lord's Supper this morning. If you are interested in learning more about becoming part of our fellowship, please speak to Pastor Warskow after the service.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

CW 391



DISTRIBUTION HYMN: Your Body, Given for Me, O Savior

CW 671



Stand

THANKSGIVING

- P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
- C: his mercy endures forever.

PROCLAMATION

- P: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
- C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

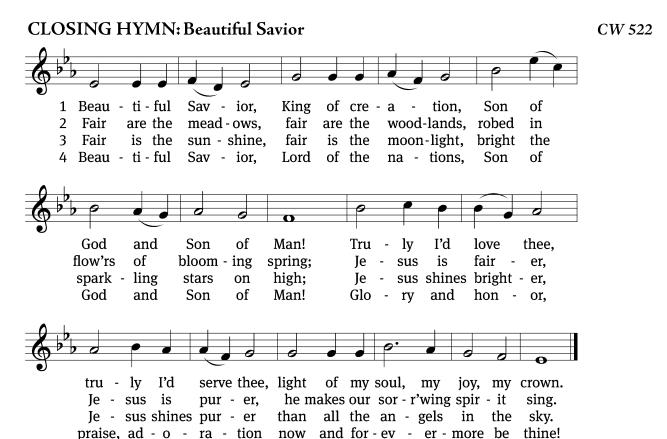
BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ₱ give you peace.

C: Amen.



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