



## ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Transfiguration of Our Lord February 27, 2022

Worship 11:00 AM

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Worship is live streamed on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/princerupertlutheran/>.

You do not need a Facebook account to access worship.

*Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. 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.*

### Weekly Prayer Petitions

**Local:** Annunciation Catholic Church

**Synod:** Christ the King Lutheran in Surrey - Rev. Lori-Anne Boutin-Crawford

**Anglican/Lutheran Joint Prayers:** ACC: Bishop, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland

**ELCIC:** The dean, council and congregations of the Georgian, Huronia and Bay Areas of the Eastern Synod

### Discipleship Opportunities

1. Our very own Curtis Kertes will be the featured speaker in the **Why are You Still Part of the Church** series presented by Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Prince George. The gathering is by Zoom on February 28 at 7:00. You can find the link at the Our Saviour's Facebook page.

2. This Tuesday, March 1, Shrove Tuesday, is the last day before the start of Lent. Lent is a penitential season of fasting and self-reflection so this last day prior is often seen as a party, an opportunity to eat up the sweets in the house. This is the Mardi Gras celebration held round the world. It is traditionally observed with a pancake supper. Since we cannot gather to feast together we will feast separately! We are preparing small make-your-own-pancake kits which are being distributed for your use. The pancake mix is complete, just add water. We will be gathering by Zoom to feast together! We know that some of you eat dinner early and some late so we will split the difference and gather at 6:00 PM. Unfortunately, we cannot provide the protein for your meal but this will get your meal started. Join us! The link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88587884958>

Meeting ID: 885 8788 4958 no need for password

3. The Pastor is Public at Javadotcup, Wednesdays from 9:30 - 11:30AM. This week, since it is Ash Wednesday, ashes-to-go will be offered. We will be both in-person and on Zoom at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87222984486?pwd=OHF1cWZySkR1dHNpeklqMzU4RlJWUT09>

Meeting ID: 872 2298 4486

Password: 263906

4. Wednesday, March 2 marks the beginning of Lent, called Ash Wednesday. Our worship together on this night gives us the opportunity to admit that we will die and that we are sinners. On this day we are marked with ashes – a sign of our death and of our sorrow for sin – but the ashes trace a cross on our forehead, where the baptismal water first marked us with God’s grace. Join us in-person and online at 7:00 PM for solemn worship.

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### Announcements

#### Confession and Forgiveness

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

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**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.**

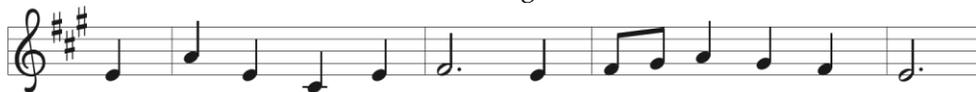
L: Rejoice in this good news: In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

**Amen.**

### Gathering Hymn

#### Arise, Your Light Has Come

No. 314



1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;  
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,  
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!



show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.  
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.  
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893

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L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**



*Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



*so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -*  
 mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
 us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.



*Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
 Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .



*so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -*  
 mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on



*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
 us; O . . . Christ, have . . mer - cy.



*Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -*  
 Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



*so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -*  
 mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



*dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.*  
 us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.

¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!  
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!

¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!  
Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry to God . . on high!

Y en la tie - rra paz pa - ra a - que - llos que a - ma el Se - ñor.  
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo - ple. Glo - ry to God.

Y en la tie - rra paz pa - ra a - que - llos que a - ma el Se - ñor.  
And on earth . . . peace to God's peo - ple. Glo - ry to God.

L: Let us pray together our Prayer of the Day.

**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.**

Our first reading is from Exodus beginning at the 34<sup>th</sup> chapter

34:29-35

Moses 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. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but 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, the 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.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

We read Psalm 99:1-9 responsively: (*leader reads the light print, congregation reads the bold*)

The LORD is king; let the people tremble. The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

**The LORD, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.**

Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome; God is the Holy One.

**O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool; God is the Holy One.

**Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your name,**

**O LORD, they called upon you, and you answered them,**

you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

**O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;  
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill; for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Our second reading is from 2 Corinthians beginning at the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter

3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not 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. But 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. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And 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.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We 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.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

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*¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!*  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!*  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*¡A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,*  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

*a - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya!*  
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The holy gospel according to Luke, beginning at the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter

9:28-43a

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now 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. Just 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. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When 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.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly 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. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While 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. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

The gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Rev. Diana Edis

Hymn of the Day

*How Good Lord, to be Here!*

No. 315

1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;  
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold  
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,  
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;  
5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;

your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.  
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.  
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.  
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt.  
Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, *The Church Psalter and Hymn Book*, 1854

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed. We confess:

**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 power of 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 Intercession:* (petition response: L: God of grace,  
C: Hear our prayer.)

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

Offerings may be mailed or placed in our mailbox. If in Canada you may send e-transfers to [offering2stpauls@citywest.ca](mailto:offering2stpauls@citywest.ca). You may give electronically through CanadaHelps under St. Paul's Lutheran, Prince Rupert or using the "Donate" button on our website.

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

**Amen.**

We enter into a time of communion. All people are invited to join in God's meal. If you hear the call of the Holy Spirit inviting you, please respond. If you would like to learn more about communion you may call the church and speak with the pastor about the presence of Christ in this meal. You at home may prepare bread and wine or juice in advance of communion. You may wish to set up a small home altar for this purpose, using: a cross, a candle, an image of Christ (called an icon), and the bread and beverage if you feel so called. When the bread and beverage are offered by the pastor and you eat and drink you may respond, "Amen." Those worshipping online in the same household are encouraged to serve one another.

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.**

It is indeed right... And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy

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San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,

Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.  
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.

San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,

Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.  
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.

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*Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la*  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on

*tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el*  
 earth. . . . . Blest is he who comes in the

*nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el*  
 name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

*cie - lo, ho - san - na en la tie - rra. Ben -*  
 high - est, ho - san - na here on earth. . . . .

*di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.*  
 Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord... all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.  
**Amen**

L: Gathered into one across time and space by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using whatever version of that prayer comforts you. We 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.**

*Communion*

The body and blood of our Lord and Saviour strengthen you to eternal life.

**Amen**

Let us pray,

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

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.

**Amen.**



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -  
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',  
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO  
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO  
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

*Additional stanzas ad lib.:*

We are dancing ...

We are praying ...

We are singing ...

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Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God.**