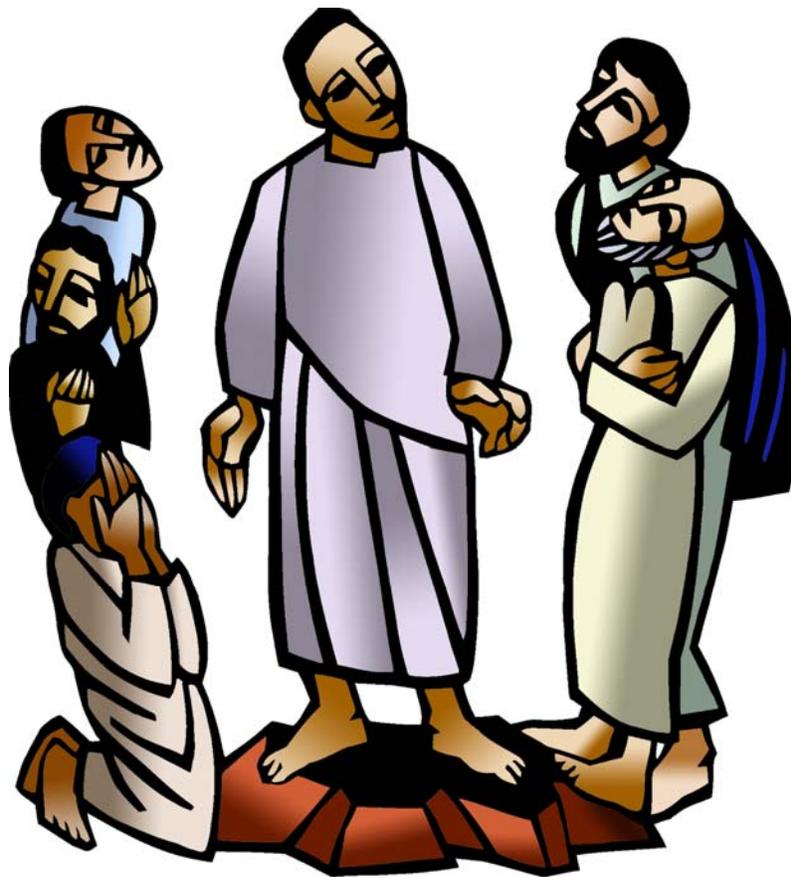


St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



The Transfiguration *The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany*

Sunday, February 14, 2021 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

10 West 31st Street Savannah, Georgia 31401 (912) 233-8895

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The Transfiguration

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Welcome & Announcements

Organ Prelude

Rebecca McClain

Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom all secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Most merciful God,

C **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors and ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us, and for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

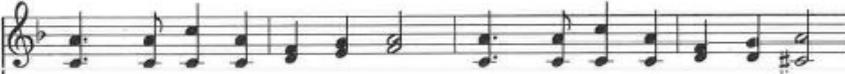
C Amen.

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Opening Hymn

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Come, You Thankful People, Come



1 Come, you thank-ful peo - ple, come; Raise the song of har - vest home.
2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to his praise to yield.
3 For the Lord our God shall come And shall take his har - vest home.
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To your fi - nal har - vest home.



All is safe - ly gath - ered in Ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, Un - to joy or sor - row grown.
From his field shall in that day All of - fens - es purge a - way,
Gath - er all your peo - ple in, Free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, does pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied.
First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear.
Give his an - gels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In your gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.
But the fruit - ful ears to store In his gar - ner ev - er - more.
Come, with all your an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

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*Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.
Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816-1893*

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

C And also with you.

The Gloria

CH Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:
We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men

The Prayer of The Day

The First Lesson

2 Kings 2:1-12

¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah 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. ³The 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." ⁴Elijah 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. ⁵The 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." ⁶Then 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. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then 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. ⁹When 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." ¹⁰He 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." ¹¹As 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. ¹²Elisha 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.

Choir Anthem

The Chancel Choir

The Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

³Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In 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. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For 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.

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel According to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

G Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

²Six 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, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then 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.” ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus. ⁹As 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.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Peter J. Hartmann

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The Hymn of the Day

Blessed Assurance



1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915
Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

The Apostles' Creed

- + I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.*
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
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**

The Prayers of The Church

The 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, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Benediction

- P** The Lord Bless You & Keep You, The Lord Make His Face
Shine on you and Be Gracious to You, The Lord Look Upon
You with Favor, and Give You Peace.

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A musical score for the Benediction. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'A - men, A - men, A - - - men.' are written below the treble staff. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady rhythm.

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The Closing Hymn

How Good, Lord, to Be Here!

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 1*

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The Communion

Piano Postlude

Rebecca McClain

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**We Welcome You to
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church...**

Whether you are a long time member, friend at St. Paul's, or here for the first time, we are glad you are with us in worship today! If you are in need of pastoral care, please give us a call.

If you will be entering the hospital or preparing for any surgical procedures, please let the Pastor know so he can plan to visit and have prayer with you during this time.

Each person worshipping with us today is asked to please fill out a worship attendance slip and place it in the offering plate at the rear of the church.

All are welcome to partake in The Communion at the end of the service. After The Consecration, as you leave, receive the Blessing and The Body & Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ and then proceed to the Narthex to exit.

Thank you for checking the "prayer list" posted in the bulletin today and for helping us to keep this list current by notifying the office with any updates.

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We Remember in Our Prayers...

Betty Bacon, Kevin Boatright, Jean Camp, Chuck Campbell, Pat Cunningham, Nelson Graff, Herman Grotheer Jr., Virginia Huber, Denny Jacobi, Clarke Jones, Don Kennedy, Shirley Kennedy, John I. Lanier, Ann Lariscy, George Martin Sr., Joan Martin, Jane McClain, Nancy Merk, Rita Monson, Page Kleinsteuber Park, Susan Peek, Dorothy Perry, Jodi Ragno, Leonora Reid, Miles Roberds, Kay Sellman, Barbara Tyson, Jackie Walker, Bart Waller, Melissa Waller and Stan Woo.

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Current Budgetary Needs Each Sunday From 2021 Offerings

\$8,000.00

Received From Current Offerings Last Week

\$7,594.00

Worship Statistics Last Week In Person & At Home

8:30 am - 37 11:00 am - 67 Facebook - 56 YouTube - 36

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Our Worship Leaders & Staff...

Senior Pastor... The Rev. Peter J. Hartmann

Director of Music... Donald R. Martin, Jr.

Senior Organist ... Rebecca T. McClain

Facilities Coordinators ...

Rebecca T. McClain & Richard Wolf

Administrative Coordinator...

Chancel Choir Soprano Section Leaders ...

Melissa Flummerfelt & Sarah P. Taito

Chancel Choir Tenor Section Leader ... Carl Lettow

Pre-School Director ... Gina Johnson

Assistant Pre-School Director ... Cynthia Thomas

Pre-School Financial Coordinator ...

Parish Housekeeping ... April Reilly

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Our Lectors Today

8:30 Bill Wiggins 11:00 Mary Gail Wolf

February Altar Guild

8:30 Natasha Smith & Kristin Chmela

11:00 Erin Foose & Lisa Neville

Liturgical Service Cantors

8:30 Melissa Flummerfelt 11:00 Scott Leary



Altar Flowers

*Altar Flowers are Given to the
Glory of Almighty God and
In Loving Memory of Mary Jane
By Terry Sheldahl
On His 79th Birthday.*

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St. Paul's Upcoming Seasonal Services

Ash Wednesday

Evening Service Only *
February 17th at 6:30 PM
In the Sanctuary

Palm Sunday Cantata

Morning Services
March 28th at 8:30 & 11:00 AM
In the Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday

Evening Service Only
April 1st at 6:30 PM
In the Sanctuary

Good Friday

Evening Service Only
April 2nd at 7:00 PM
In the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday

Three Morning Services By Reservation
April 4th at 8:30, 9:45 & 11:00 AM
In the Sanctuary

* There Will Be No Weekday Lenten Chapel Services this Season.
Weekly Wednesday Lenten Devotions will be via Facebook.