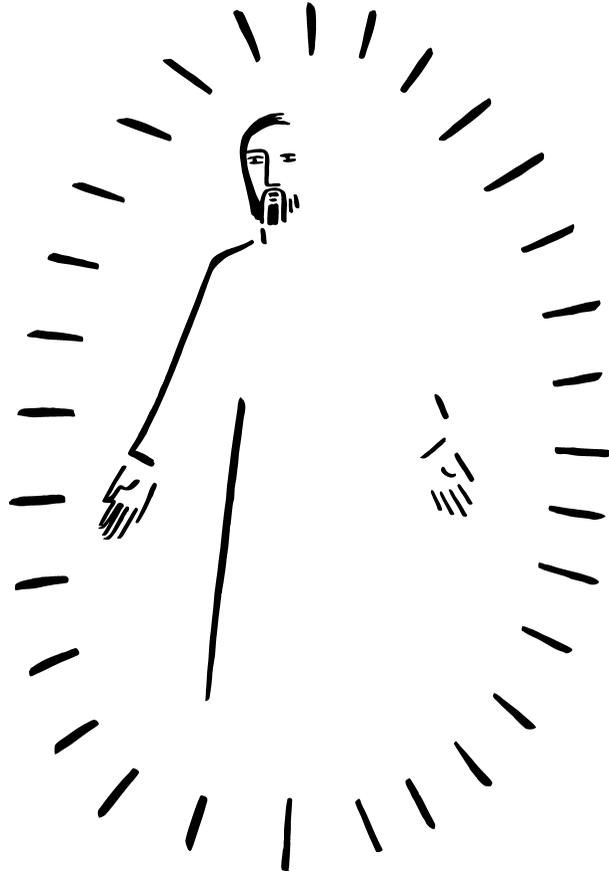


**TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**  
**March 2-3, 2019**  
**SATURDAY AT 4:30 PM & SUNDAY AT 9:00 AM**

***THIS IS CHRIST'S CHURCH; THERE IS A PLACE  
FOR YOU HERE.***



***OUR MISSION IS:  
TO LOVE, SERVE, AND STRENGTHEN ALL PEOPLE IN CHRIST JESUS.***

**OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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## THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO KNOW...

**WELCOME** to Our Saviour's. We are glad you have come to join us to give praise and thanks to God, to hear God's word to guide us in love and to receive the Lord's Supper to strengthen us in faith. May you be blessed to be a blessing.

**OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH** in Merrill, Wisconsin is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), a fellowship of churches from around North America who hold to basic Christian beliefs and practices. If you would like to learn more about Our Saviour's or the ELCA, please call our church office or visit the ELCA website at [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org), our synod website at [www.ecsw.org](http://www.ecsw.org), or our website at [www.oslcelca.org](http://www.oslcelca.org).

If you are **visiting** us, please sign one of the **Visitor Cards** in the pews and our **guest book**. We invite you to make yourself known to the ushers. If you are looking for a church family, we invite you to consider Our Saviour's as your church home.

**"WILLIAMS PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM"** is available from the ushers for those who have hearing impairments.

**RESTROOMS** are located in the hallway between the staircase and the narthex. There are changing tables in these bathrooms.

**WORSHIP HELPS** include hearing assist devices and large print bulletins. Please see an usher to use them. Also, if you are not able to come forward for communion, the communion servers would be glad to come to you in your pew. Please let an usher know you would prefer this.

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### **ELCA Vision Statement**

**Claimed** by God's grace for the sake of the world, we are a new creation through God's living Word by the power of the Holy Spirit;

**Gathered** by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will live among God's faithful people, hear God's Word, and share Christ's supper;

**Sent** by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, serve all people following the example of our Lord Jesus, and strive for justice and peace in all the world

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**ELW, Setting 8      Holy Communion**  
**P=Presider    A=Assistant    C=Congregation    ↓=Sunday only**

Welcome to worship. We are glad you are here! If you are interested in joining Our Saviour's, please speak to Pr. Pat following service or throughout the week (715-536-5813 or 920-535-0014) for information.

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P**      Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and calls us, who unites us and sends us.

**C**      **Amen.**

**P**      Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

**P**      Mighty and loving God,

**C**      **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.**

**P**      Hear the voice of Jesus: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives." In the name of + Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released. The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.

**C**      **Amen.**

**\*SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

**\*GATHERING SONG**

*Baptized and Set Free*

**ELW 453**

**\*GREETING**

**P**      Alleluia, alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made.

**C**      **Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia, alleluia!**

P 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.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Holy God, mighty and immortal,

C **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.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC: Sunday—Choir, “Yes He Did”**

**FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35**

A A reading from Exodus, the 34<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>29</sup>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. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>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, <sup>35</sup>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.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 99**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king; let the people tremble.

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

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD, great in Zion,  
is high above all peoples.**

<sup>3</sup>Let them confess God’s name, which is great and awesome;  
God is the Holy One.

<sup>4</sup>**O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

<sup>5</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God’s footstool;  
God is the Holy One.

**<sup>6</sup>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,**

**<sup>7</sup>you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;**

**they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.**

**<sup>8</sup>O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;**

**you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

**<sup>9</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill;**

**for the LORD our God is the Holy One.**

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

A A reading from 2 Corinthians, the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> chapters.

<sup>12</sup>Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup>but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>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.

<sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>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.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## **\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**ELW Setting 4**

## **\*GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38**

P The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>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. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” <sup>36</sup>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. [ <sup>37</sup>On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup>Just then a man from the crowd shouted, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. <sup>39</sup>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. <sup>40</sup>I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.” <sup>41</sup>Jesus answered, “You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.” <sup>42</sup>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. <sup>43a</sup>And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

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

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE/SERMON

Pastor Pat Schutz

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Shine, Jesus, Shine*

WOV 651

## \*APOSTLES’ CREED

- A Let us confess our faith together using the words of the Apostles’ Creed.
- C **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 INTERCESSION

*After each petition*

A Lord, in your mercy

**C hear our prayer.**

P Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

## \*PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

P We share God's peace with one another.

## OFFERING HYMN

*Light Shone In Darkness*

ELW 307

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

**C God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

### DIALOGUE

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

A Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C 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

A Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

## COMMUNION

### \*BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

### \*PRAYER FOR REVIVAL IN OUR MINISTRY

**ALL O God, you have called your people to be the Body of Christ in this community, and witnesses of your presence in the world. Fill us with your Holy Spirit. Send down the fire of your love upon us, that we might draw others to you, as you have sent us to do. Anoint us with a deep compassion for those who do not know your love. Send revival on your church in this place, that all may come to experience the difference God's grace and love in Christ makes for all people and creation. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*BLESSING**

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

**SENDING SONG**

*Alleluia, Song of Gladness*

**ELW 318**

**ALLELUIA GOODBYE**

- All Today, as our "Alleluia" fades into silence, we put away this song of heaven in order to ready ourselves for the Lenten journey ahead. In the holy time that is Lent, help us to reflect on our baptismal faith, die to selfish habits and live out your self-giving love within our families, community and the world. May this be a time of renewal in your Spirit so that we might sing a new "Alleluia" at Easter. Amen.

**DISMISSAL**

- A Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

**POSTLUDE**