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St. John's is called into a joyful life of
welcoming hospitality, grace-filled
worship, transformational relationships,
and Gospel-driven service in the world.
St. John's is an RIC congregation.*

A vibrant community living faith boldly through Welcoming, Worshiping, Healing, and Serving

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 11, 2024

Welcome! Whether in the pews or online, whether for the first time or you've come more times than you can count, we are glad you are here. You are welcome to participate in every part of the worship service, including Holy Communion. Those of you joining online are invited to prepare a cracker or piece of bread and some juice or wine for partaking at that point in the service. Those in person are encouraged to sit in the forward half of the sanctuary both for audio and visual benefit. You're invited to create and wear a name tag, and to fill out a Fellowship Card from your pew rack and hand it to an usher.

PRELUDE

Beautiful Savior

Rachel Trelstad Porter

WELCOME

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
creator of darkness and light, word of truth,
wind sweeping over the waters.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge,

we pour out our hearts before you.

We have known you but have not always loved you.

We have wounded one another and sinned against you.

We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit

dwelling in each of us.

Remember your covenant.

Renew your creation.

Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all.

Amen.

God has spoken: The time of grace is now.

In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.

By the authority of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are God's beloved.

Amen.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

KYRIE (*ELW Setting 3*)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

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

Lord, have mer - cy.

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.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. I Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

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Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord of light, as you were transfigured on the mountain, your followers were given a glimpse of your glory. Shine your light in our lives so that we will know how truly marvelous you are. Amen.

During the singing of verses 1 & 2 of the canticle, children of every age are invited to forward to join Edith in the front pew for the Word of the Week. Visitors are welcome!

SCRIPTURE CANTICLE

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677

(vv. 1 & 2 before, v. 3 after)



1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



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let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual

WORD OF THE WEEK

Edith Bohardt

After the Word of the Week, children may return to be with their families in the pews or go to 'Grace Space' in the back of the sanctuary while the people sing verse 3 of "This Little Light."

PSALM

Psalm 27:1-4

Let us read responsively the verses from Psalm 27.

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

**²When evildoers assail me
to devour my flesh —
my adversaries and foes —
they shall stumble and fall.**

³Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me,
yet I will be confident.

**⁴One thing I asked of the LORD,
that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the LORD,
and to inquire in his temple.**

Please rise for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 8:27-9:8

The holy gospel according to Mark, the eighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

8²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

(continued)

9¹And he said to them, "Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

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 any more, but only Jesus.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Mark Tiede

HYMN OF THE DAY

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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 THE CHURCH

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church, that the transformational power of God enters the hearts of all people. May its leaders serve as examples of your grace and healing across time and space. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for the creation, that we will humbly observe the swirl of wind and the heat of the bright sun. Teach us to honor all you have made and to care for the animals, plants, air, and bodies of water of this planet. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those charged with leadership, lawmaking, and governance of our towns, states, and countries, that they will strive for goodness and justice all the days of their lives and callings. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for any who are sick and suffering, especially Kathy Cashin, Brian Conrad, Bruce Walker, Jan Sammelson, Lana Tiede, Debbie Tuvey, George Tuvey, Nels Tuvey, Debra Jacobs, Sandy Rader, Kris Schepers, Karen O., Jeannie C, Kris Roe, Veronica Sjovall, Jim Tiede, and others we name in our hearts *An intentional moment of silence* Guide us to offer hospitality, shelter, friendship, and care to any in need. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for this congregation and its ministry in the wider community. May we share the transforming beauty and love of God in ways that honor the dignity of all whom we encounter. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Trusting that all the saints, prophets, and those who die in faith are held in your care, we remember in thanksgiving those who have died and lift up to you their families who mourn. We pray especially today for the family of Gene Flaten. Grant to us all your gift of salvation as we await your coming again in glory. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

OFFERING

The ways of financially contributing to St. John's ministry are listed on the 'Worship Notes' page of this bulletin.

Musical Offering

Praise the Lord
St. John's Choir

Natalie Sleeth

A word about 'The Offering' *The offering is an important part of Christian worship. In all other parts of the liturgy we receive from God forgiveness, love, peace and hope. In the offering we actively participate in God's grace by giving. The Offering Cards available in the pew racks are for you to place in the offering plate as a representation of your financial contributions given electronically and of your non-financial generosity. Your offerings, offering cards, and pledge cards may be placed in the offering plates set near the sanctuary entrances. These are then presented to God as your weekly offering.*

OFFERTORY

He Came Down

ELW 253 (vv. 1 & 2)



- 1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;
- 2 He came down that we may have light; he came down that we may have light;
- 3 He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace;
- 4 He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy;



he came down that we may have love;
he came down that we may have light; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.
he came down that we may have peace;
he came down that we may have joy;

Text: Cameroon traditional

Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

COMMUNION HYMN

He Comes to Us as One Unknown

ELW 737 (vv. 1-2, 4-5)



1 He comes to us as one un-known, a breath un - seen, un -
2 He comes when souls in si - lence lie and thoughts of day de -
3 He comes to us in sound of seas, the o - cean's fume and
4 He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and
5 He comes in truth when faith is grown; be - lieved, o - beyed, a -



heard; as though with - in a heart of stone, or shriv - eled seed in
part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, a fall - ing star a -
foam; yet small and still up - on the breeze, a wind that stirs the
birth; to bear with - in our mor - tal frame a life, a death, a
dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as yet un - seen, but



dark - ness sown, a pulse of be - ing stirred, a pulse of be - ing stirred.
cross the sky of night with - in the heart, of night with - in the heart.
tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.
sav - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth.
not un - known, our Sav - ior and our Lord, our Sav - ior and our Lord.

Communion Note:

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Communion will be served in continuous fashion as directed by the Ushers. Wafers, wine (red) and grape juice (white) are offered. Anyone choosing to not commune is welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. If you would like communion brought to you in the pew, please let an Usher know.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish you, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

God who names you,
Christ who claims you,
and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,
✠ bless you and remain with you always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Shine, Jesus, Shine

ELW 671

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Simple Gifts

Setting: Sondra K. Tucker

Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair



1 Oh, won - drous im - age, vi - sion fair of
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in -
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by
5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and



glo - ry that the church may share, which Christ up - on the
car - nate Lord holds con - verse high, and from the cloud, the
deigns to man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be
this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful
Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one, we pray you, bring us



moun-tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
Ho - ly One says, "This is my be - lov - ed Son."
theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
song we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
by your grace to see your glo - ry face to face.

Text: Sarum, 15th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: DEO GRACIAS, English ballad, 15th cent.

Beautiful Savior

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;

blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Verse 1

Lord, the light of your love is shining,

in the midst of the darkness, shining;

Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.

Shine on me, shine on me:

Refrain

Verse 2

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,

so our faces display your likeness,

ever changing from glory to glory,

mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.

Shine on me, shine on me:

Refrain

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WORSHIP NOTES

- **Worship is at 10 a.m. Sunday mornings in person and online**
 - ◊ Live on YouTube (link posted on St. John's Facebook page and website).
- Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday.
- Nursery care is available upstairs in Grace Place, 9:30-12:30 on Sunday mornings.
- Activities for children are available at the back of the sanctuary in Grace Space.
- Copies of "The Story at Home" devotional sheets are available at the entrances.
- Fellowship time is offered each Sunday following worship.

The Offering is an important part of Christian worship. In addition to placing your offering in the plate, you may also contribute offerings to the ministries of St. John's by:

- **TEXT** the word 'Give' to 612-800-0444 and follow the prompts,
- **GIVE** through our website or your Breeze member app, or
- **MAIL** your check to: St. John's Lutheran Church
4842 Nicollet Ave,
Minneapolis, MN 55419

St. John's 'Guest' WiFi pw: #MartinLuther

Reading for February 14 - Ash Wednesday

Mark 9:30-37 (Psalm 32:1-5) (Psalm 51:1-17)

Reading for February 18 - Lent 1

Mark 10:17-31 (Psalm 19:7-10)

Worship Leaders

Presiding Minister:

Mark Tiede

Organist/

Minister of Music:

Peder Flaten

Assisting Minister:

Vicky Ercolani

Communion Preparer:

Deborah Dunham

Flutist:

Edith Bohardt

Accompanist:

Ann Paulson

Usher:

Larry Fraser

A/V Lead:

Matthew Tiede

A/V Assistants:

Dylan Noaman

Eleanor Nervig

Sam Nervig

Offering Counters:

Deborah Dunham

Bonnie Conrad

Fellowship Host:

Sharon Koschak

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Jennifer Burdick

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Rick Falcon

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JoAnn Christoferson

At Large:

Deborah Dunham

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Matthew Tiede

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Our Life Together

Today

Nursery for age 3 and younger, 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Grace Place for children, 11:15 a.m. (top floor)

Fellowship & Backpack Packing following worship (FH)

Worship Committee, 11:15 (Lounge)

Monday, February 12

Admin Team, 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 13—Shrove/Fat Tuesday

Shrove/Fat Tuesday Celebration, 5:30-7:30 p.m. (FH)

Metropolitan Men's Choir, 7 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Tangletown Environmental Committee, 7 p.m. (Zoom)

Wednesday, February 14—Ash Wednesday

Worship, 7 p.m. (St. John's Sanctuary)

Thursday, February 15—Backpack Delivery

Holy Conversations, 10 a.m. (Lounge)

Saturday, February 17

Metropolitan Men's Choir, 9 a.m. (FH)

Minneapolis Brass, 9 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Sunday, February 18 — Lent 1

Worship with Holy Communion, 10 a.m. in person & online,
nursery available 9:30-12:30

Grace Place for children, 11:15 a.m. (top floor)

St. John's Council, 11:15 a.m. (Lounge)

JOIN IN PACKING 20 BACKPACKS OF FOOD during fellowship hour today. Delivery to the Justice Page school will be on Thursday the 15th.

SHROVE (FAT) TUESDAY PARTY: February 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m. —

Come and enjoy a great time with one another before we begin our Lenten journey! You are invited to Fellowship Hall at 5:30pm for Get-to-Know-You Bingo (with prizes), pancakes, make-your-own-sundae bar, music and more.

GATHER IN WORSHIP ON ASH WEDNESDAY, February 14, 7 p.m.

at St. John's. Service will include Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes.

LENTEN WEDNESDAYS—Feb. 21 and Feb. 28; March 6, 13 and 20

at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 4801 France Ave S.

Pizza Supper - serving begins at 4:30 p.m. *All are welcome, free will offering*

Worship - 7 p.m. St. John's and Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd congregations worship together: Holden Evening Prayer; meditations on Luke 19:38-40, "The stones would shout out."

St. John's Choir Rehearsal in LCGS Parlor following worship

TOWELS & SOCKS FOR HOMELESS—Missionary Circle invites donations of socks and towels during February for use by shelter guests. Items may be left on the office lobby pew or delivered to church.

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A Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

Our Mission:

Fueled by Christ's redeeming love, St. John's is called into a joyful life of welcoming hospitality, grace-filled worship, transformational relationships, and Gospel-driven service in the world.

Our Core Values:

Welcoming

Celebrating and caring for all people. Our doors are open.
You belong. Come as you are.

Worshiping

Gathering together to joyfully thank God in prayer and praise for Jesus, who calls us, centers us, and sends us into the world.

Healing

Reflecting God's unconditional grace and love by walking together through the joys and pains of life.

Serving

Gratefully responding to the needs of the world with the abilities God has gifted us.

Our Vision for the Future:

A vibrant community living faith boldly