

**Transfiguration of Our Lord/Camp Sunday**March 2, 2025



# Welcome to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church!

We are so glad you are here! If you'd like more information about this community of faith, please fill out a Welcome card (found in the pew pockets near the hymnals) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Andrea or an usher following worship. Take the Grow card with you if you wish! We invite you to enjoy coffee and Bogart's Doughnuts in the Commons before and after worship. Please leave your nametag on during the fellowship time.

# **Children in Worship**

Children are encouraged to be present for worship—build-your-own activity bags are located in the narthex, along with children's bulletins. Children are invited to use the Pray-Ground at the front of the sanctuary. A nursery is located on the lower level if you need it. Please ask an usher for directions. If you are a nursing parent, you are welcome to nurse anywhere. If you would like privacy, there is a nursing room in the nursery downstairs.

### **Special Assistance**

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available. Please see the ushers for assistance.

### **Altar Flowers**

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Chuck & Barb Swanson in memory of their son Pete.

# Participating in Today's Service

Presiding Minister: Pastor Nancy Edwardson (Ret.) Guest Preacher: Leah Pletscher, Executive Director,

**Luther Park** 

Assisting Minister: Lacy Tooker-Kirkevold

Acolyte: Lyle Dean

Greeters: Julie Schmidt, Mary Delebo

Reader: Theo Brent

Communion Servers: Camp Kids Ushers: Joe Plummer, Elliot Plummer A/V Tech: Frank Anderson, John Nelson Guitar: John Pedersen, Joe Plummer Pianist/Organist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs Choir Director: Dr. Bruce Gleason

Nursery: Mary Teurman Pray-Ground Cleanup

Coffee Hosts: Pete Anderson, Karen Minge

Pursers: Carisa Brent, Jon Brunsberg

# TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD / CAMP SUNDAY

After Jesus reveals that he is the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, he demonstrates that fulfillment by healing the sick, releasing those oppressed by demons, and forgiving sins. He explains his purpose to John's followers and—in the ultimate revelation—is transfigured in front of his disciples on the mountaintop. God shines through Jesus in more ways than one.

We invite those who are able to stand each time the ‡ symbol appears.

**PRELUDE** 

Moments Musicaux No. 4, Schubert

**WELCOME** 

TRINITY CHIMES

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Matthew 25:34, Aaron David Miller

#### INVOCATION

### **‡ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Merciful God,

C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp.
Show us your loving kindness.
Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways.
Amen.

#### **‡ DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

P: God proclaims these words of assurance:
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name. You are mine."
In Christ, you are forgiven.
In the Spirit, you are made free.
Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
live anew as beloved children of God.

C: Amen.

### **‡ GATHERING HYMN**

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High.....#857 (sing twice)

#### **‡ GREETING**

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.

### **‡ PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Let us pray.

C: Dazzling Lord,

in blinding light you showed your disciples a hint of your power and purpose. Reveal yourself to us today. Show us what you desire of us and how to broadcast your love to the world, for the sake of the one who keeps company with the prophets Moses and Elijah, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **SERMON ON THE STEPS**

# **‡ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Thy Word (congregation sings)

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

# **‡ GOSPEL: LUKE 9:28-45**

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 9<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 as bright as a flash of lightning. <sup>30</sup> Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup> They appeared in glory and were speaking about his exodus, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep, but as they awoke 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 set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah," not realizing what he was saying. <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 put up with you? Bring your son here." <sup>42</sup> While he was being brought forward, 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>43</sup> And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

While everyone was amazed at all that he was doing, he said to his disciples, <sup>44</sup> "Let these words sink into your ears: The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into human hands." <sup>45</sup> But they did not understand this saying; its meaning remained concealed from them, so that they could not perceive it. And they were afraid to ask him about this saying.

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

### **SERMON**

Leah Pletscher, Executive Director, Luther Park

# **HYMN OF THE DAY:** My Lighthouse

### Verse 1

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea

#### Verse 2

In the silence You won't let go
In the questions Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea

# [Chorus]

My lighthouse, My lighthouse
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You
My lighthouse, My lighthouse
I will trust the promise, You will carry me
Safe to shore-woah-woah
Safe to shore-woah-woah
Safe to shore-woah-woah
Safe to shore

#### Verse 3

I won't fear what tomorrow brings With each morning I'll rise and sing My God's love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea You are the peace in my troubled sea

# [Chorus]

# **Bridge**

Fire before us You're the brightest You will lead us through the storms (x3)

# [Chorus]

#### **‡ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

L: With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence is kept before the prayers.

L: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

C: Amen.

### **‡ CAMP-STYLE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

### DIAMOND LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH MATTERS TO ME

Sue Haffield

**OFFERING:** Radical God

Chugga, Chugga, Chugga, Clap, Clap, Roll (2X)

# [Chorus]

Don't you know God's a radical God Don't you know God's a radical God

God's name is peace. Peace!

God's name is love. Love!

And God left the heavens above. So raise the roof!

And in case you haven't heard the word, huh, God's a radical God.

Chugga, Chugga, Chugga, Clap, Clap, Roll (2X)

# [Chorus]

(The leader sings the line first, then you echo)

Let me tell ya, let me tell ya, let me tell ya why... (echo)

God's a radical God, God's a radical guy (echo)

God made the earth & the seas & the stars in the sky (echo)

And God came to be a man and he came to die (echo)

But he didn't stay dead (echo)

'Cause he couldn't stay dead (echo)

And he rose from the grave (echo)

And he came to save (echo)

That's why, that's why... (echo)

God's a radical God!! (echo)

That's why, that's why... (echo)

God's a radical God!! (echo)

### **General Fund**

We give thanks for all the ways members and friends of Diamond Lake Lutheran Church contribute to the mission and vision of this congregation - gifts of time, gifts of participation and expertise, as well as finances. Financial gifts to the general fund help to make possible both in-house and outreach ministries, as well as sharing of our resources with the wider community.

# March Mission of the Month: Global Refuge

(formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service)

Global Refuge has been a lifeline for immigrants and refugees for over 85 years, helping them find stability and a sense of home. Services support children and families through refugee resettlement, foster care, economic empowerment, mental healthcare, and crisis response.

In January, a stop work order halted all refugee reception and placement services under the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program, immediately impacting thousands of refugees. Many arrive with little more than what they can carry, relying on Global Refuge to guide them through their first months in a new country.

With federal funding suddenly cut, Global Refuge must now depend on community support to continue this vital work. Your generosity will help provide housing, essential resources, education, and job assistance to refugees, ensuring they have the foundation to rebuild their lives.

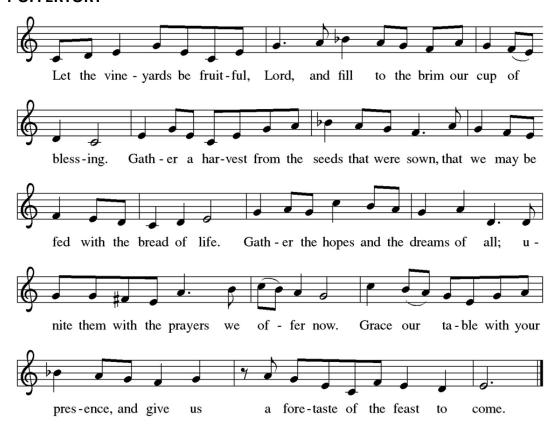
# Give to the Mission of the Month

To make a gift to Lutheran Disaster Response, you may write a check payable to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church with "Mission of the Month" in the memo line and drop in an offering plate. Alternately, you may visit "Give Back" page at <a href="www.dllc.org">www.dllc.org</a> or scan the QR Code and choose "Mission of the Month" from the drop-down menu.

To contribute to either of these funds, use the QR code, visit https://dllc.breezechms.com/qive/online



### **‡ OFFERTORY**



### **‡ OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray.

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

C: Amen.

#### **‡ WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

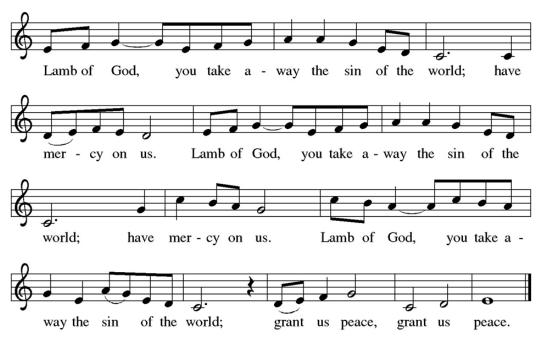
### **‡ LORD'S PRAYER**

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**

P: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

## **LAMB OF GOD**



#### DISTRIBUTION

As Christ offered himself without restriction to those gathered at the last supper, so too he invites all gathered here to partake in this meal. If you wish to receive the sacrament, come forward with your hands outstretched to receive the bread, and dip it either in the red wine or the white grape juice (both offered in each chalice).

If you wish to receive a blessing from the pastor instead, come forward with your hands over your heart.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and a chalice of grape juice is provided for gluten-free intinction. If it is difficult for you to come forward, please inform an usher, and the pastor will bring the sacrament to you in your seat.

### **COMMUNION ANTHEM**

O Rex Gloriae, Luca Marenzio Choir

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Shine, Jesus, Shine.....#671

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Nourishing God,
at this table you have refreshed us
with holy gifts of food and drink.
Strengthen us for service,
and send us out to embody your good news
of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

C: Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **‡ BENEDICTION**

L: May the Lord bless and keep you.May the Lord's face shine upon you.May the Lord always go with you.

C: And give you peace!

# **‡ SENDING SONG:** Neverending Love Song (NELS)

Love the Lord your God
With all your heart
And all your soul
And all your mind
And love all of humankind
As you would love yourself

- We've got Christian lives to live We've got Jesus' love to give We've got nothing to hide Because in God we all find...
- And Love
   The Lord your God
   With all your heart // tick, tick, tick boom!
   And all your soul and mind
   And love all humankind

#### **‡ DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace.

LLUIA!

C: Love your neighbor.

L: HOLLA!

#### **POSTLUDE**

C:

Moments Musicaux No. 5, Schubert

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Our mission: Stirred by the Spirit of Christ to learn, follow, and serve.

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