

**Transfiguration of Our Lord  
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**Grace Lutheran Church**

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**Our Mission Statement:**

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal.  
Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal.  
Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**.  
+ Please stand as you are able.

**+ Gathering +**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**Prelude**

"I Stand in Awe" arr. Phillip Keveren

**+ Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy One, source of our renewal, **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**+ Gathering Song**

“Mighty to Save”

Everyone needs compassion, a love that’s never failing, let mercy fall on me. Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior, the hope of nations.

**Refrain:** Savior, he can move the mountains.  
Our God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save.  
Forever, author of salvation, he rose and conquered the grave. Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as you find me, all my fears and failures, and fill my life again. I give my life to follow, everything I believe in, now I surrender.

Shine your light and let the whole world see, we’re singing for the glory of the risen king. Jesus, shine your light and let the whole world see, we’re singing for the glory of the risen king.

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**+ Prayer of the Day**

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**+ Word +**  
*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**First Reading**

Exodus 24:12-18

**Second Reading**

2 Peter 1:16-21

**+ Gospel Acclamation**

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**+ Gospel Reading**

Matthew 17:1-9

**Young at Heart Message & Sermon**

The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

**+ Song of the Day**

“Come to the Mountain”

Jesus took Peter, James, and John up to the mountain to be alone. While they were watching, Jesus was changed; and they saw Moses, face to face.

**Refrain:** Come to the mountain to see the light.  
Come to the mountain to hear God's word.  
Go to the valley, it is your home.  
Go to the valley, to serve the Lord.

“This is my Son!”, said a voice from the cloud. “Listen to him...and do what he says!” Soon as it came...that vision was gone, and they saw Jesus standing alone.

We will be changed like Jesus our Lord and live with him...in heaven above. But while we live on this earthly home, our work as servants never is done.

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**+ Apostles Creed**

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**+ Prayers of Intercession**

sung refrain: “Open the Eyes of Mt Heart”

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart;  
I want to see You, I want to see You.

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**+ Peace**

**+Meal+**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**Offering**

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**+ Offering Prayer**

**+ Great Thanksgiving**

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**+ Thanksgiving at the Table**

**+ Lord's Prayer**

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**+ Invitation to Communion**

**Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace**

*When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.*

*Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

*If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.*

**Communion Song**

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**+Sending+**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**Blessing**

**Announcements**

**+ Sending Song**

“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.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence, from the shadows into Your radiance. By the blood I may enter Your brightness; search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.

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.

Graham Kendrick

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**+ Dismissal**

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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