



February 11, 2024  
10:00 am

## TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

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We are blessed that you  
have joined us today.

### Notes on worship:

**BOLD type** = people of God =You

Regular type = leader

*Italic type* = directions or explanations



### Introduction to the Day

*The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's Beloved. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.*

### WELCOME

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Bellerose! We are so glad that you are here to worship with us either in person or online. If you are seeking a church to call home, welcome and we hope you find the comfort of Christ's Beloved Community here. If Pastor Analyse or the Prayer Team can provide any care for you at present, please reach out in person or at [pastoranalyse@holytrinitybellerose.org](mailto:pastoranalyse@holytrinitybellerose.org) or the church office at [office@holytrinitybellerose.org](mailto:office@holytrinitybellerose.org).

*~Please stand as you are able~*

### Confession and 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.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.

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.**

### GATHERING HYMN ELW 838 vs 1, 3, 4

Beautiful Savior

**1 Beautiful Savior,  
King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love thee,  
truly I'd serve thee,  
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**

**3 Fair is the sunshine,  
fair is the moonlight,  
bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer  
than all the angels in the sky.**

**4 Beautiful Savior,  
Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor,  
praise, adoration,  
now and forevermore be thine!**

## **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.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE      W&P 13**

Our God Is An Awesome God

**Our God is an awesome God,  
he reigns from heaven above  
with wisdom pow'r, and love –  
our God is an awesome God!**

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he reigns from heaven above  
with wisdom pow'r, and love –  
our God is an awesome God!  
our God is an awesome God!  
our God is an awesome God!**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**~Please be seated~**

## **First Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-12**

*Today's reading centers on the transfer of power and authority from the prophet Elijah to Elisha. Their travels, which retrace the path of Joshua back to Moab (the place where Moses died) and the parting of the waters, demonstrate that Elisha and Elijah are legitimate successors of the great prophet Moses.*

The first reading is from second Kings beginning at the second chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>Elijah 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. <sup>3</sup>The 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."

<sup>4</sup>Elijah 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. <sup>5</sup>The 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."

<sup>6</sup>Then 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. <sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then 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.

<sup>9</sup>When 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." <sup>10</sup>He 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." <sup>11</sup>As 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. <sup>12</sup>Elisha 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.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 50:1-6

We will now read responsively from Psalm 50.  
1The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken;  
    calling the earth from the rising of the  
sun to its setting.

**2Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,  
    God shines forth in glory.**  
3Our God will come and will not keep silence;  
    with a consuming flame before, and round  
about a raging storm.  
**4God calls the heavens and the earth from  
above**  
**to witness the judgment of the people.**  
5“Gather before me my loyal followers,  
    those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice.”  
**6The heavens declare the rightness of  
God’s cause,  
    for it is God who is judge.**

## SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 NRSV

*The spotlight of Christian ministry is not on the people who carry out ministry but on the Lord Jesus Christ. Just as God made light shine at creation, God makes the light of Jesus Christ shine in our lives through Christian ministry.*

The second reading is from first Corinthians beginning at the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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.

Word of God, word of life.  
Thanks be to God.

**~Please stand as you are able~**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 9:2-9 NRSV

*Mark’s gospel presents the transfiguration as a preview of what would become apparent to Jesus’ followers after he rose from the dead. Confused disciples are given a vision of God’s glory manifest in the beloved Son.*

The Holy Gospel according to Mark beginning at the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory 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 any more, 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**~Please be seated~**

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

## SERMON

**~Please stand as you are able~**

**HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #853 vs 1, 4, 5**  
When Morning Gilds the Skies

**1 When morning gilds the skies,  
    my heart awaking cries:  
        may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When evening shadows fall,  
    this rings my curfew call:  
        may Jesus Christ be praised!**

**4 Let all of humankind  
in this their concord find:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let all the earth around  
ring joyous with the sound:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!**

**5 Sing, sun and stars of space,  
sing, all who see his face,  
sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!"  
God's whole creation o'er,  
today and evermore  
shall Jesus Christ be praised!**

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our faith saying the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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.**

***~Please remain standing as you desire,  
otherwise please be seated~***

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 Bob Sarro, Janice Rajgopaul, Joseph Gallagher, Betty Innella, Dennis Aragona, Susan Henyan, Jackie Budds, Kenny Budds, Gloria Munsch, Christine, Daniel and Linda, Linda Lago, Anil Sharma, Ruth, and Rosetta Fiorella.** 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.**

Liberating God, you give us an example of holy living. We rejoice in your justice. End racism and oppression in our world. Deliver all who are unjustly imprisoned or persecuted.

Reconcile nations and peoples in conflict. Help us pray for our enemies. 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. Grant us 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 OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always!  
**And also with you!**  
*Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with one another. (In the method of your comfort level.)*

**~Please be seated~**

### **OFFERING**

#### **MUSICAL OFFERING**

**~Please stand as you are able~**

**OFFERTORY HYMN**      ELW #314 vs 1, 2, 4  
Arise, Your Light has Come!

- 1    **Arise, your light has come!**  
The Spirit's call obey;  
show forth the glory of your God  
which shines on you today.
  
- 2    **Arise, your light has come!**  
Fling wide the prison door;  
proclaim the captive's liberty,  
good tidings to the poor.
  
- 4    **Arise, your light has come!**  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing,  
God's pow'r will make us strong.

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.  
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.**

### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might; Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**

### **EUCARISTIC PRAYER**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, held and nourished by you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

**~Please be seated~**

## COMMUNION

*All are welcome to the Lord's Table. We receive communion in the form of a wafer and a small cup of wine or grape juice. Please tell the ushers if you need the bread and wine brought to you. If you are not yet receiving communion, or do not wish to receive today, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Follow the usher's directions.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Come and see.

## COMMUNION HYMN ELW #714 vs. 1, 2, 5

Christ Be Our Light

**1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.**

*Refrain*

**Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.**

**2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice. Refrain**

**5 Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
signs of your kingdom come. Refrain**

**~Please stand as you are able~**

## TABLE BLESSING & COMMUNION PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

Let us pray.

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.**

**~Please be seated.~**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**~Please stand as you are able.~**

## 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 ELW #866

We Are Marching in the Light of God

**We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching, (marching, we are  
marching, marching,)  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, (marching, we are  
marching, marching,)  
we are marching in the light of God.**

*Additional verses:*

**We are dancing . . .  
We are praying . . .  
We are singing . . .**

## DISMISSAL

What is our Mission? **Welcoming all to grow in faith; living Christ's message of serving and loving neighbors near and far.**  
Go in peace. You are God's beloved.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Thank you for worshipping  
with us today. We are blessed by  
your presence.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS**

**IN PERSON SERVICES** every Sunday Live and via Facebook Live @ 10:00 am. You don't have to belong to Facebook to watch. Video will also be available on our interactive bulletin at: [holytrinitybellerose.wordpress.com](http://holytrinitybellerose.wordpress.com).

### **SHROVE TUESDAY**

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner will take place on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. \$10/person or \$25/family of 4. Kids under 5 eat free!

### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

We will hold Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at Noon. We will also have a time for people to walk-in and receive ashes and a blessing from Pastor Analyse (**No** Service) from 7pm-8pm.

### **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

Lenten Bible study will continue through Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10am and 7 pm.

### **COUNCIL MEETING**

Next meeting March 12 @ 7:30 pm.

### **YOUTH GROUP**

The youth meet twice a month on the first and third Saturday's from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm for 2 - 8 grades and 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm for 9<sup>th</sup> grade and up. Call the Church Office for more information. All are welcome. Bring your friends and neighbors. Enjoy the fun, games and snacks.

### **ALTAR GUILD**

Looking for volunteers to help Denice & Pastor Analyse with Altar Guild responsibilities.

### **WOMEN'S GROUP**

Meetings every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 7-9 pm. All are welcome. **Next meeting- February 28th** - Dips & Discussion - topic to be Healthy Living/Life Balance. March-Mitch Albom's book "The Stranger in the Lifeboat." Any questions contact Carol Robinson or Denice Watkins.

### **PINECREST REGISTRATION**

Pinecrest registration for the 2024 session is now open!!! Camp Dates: August 4-10, 2024 (ages 15-26). Cost: \$450 (HTLC provides a ½ scholarship for 1<sup>st</sup> years. Early bird registration ends June 1, after which the price will increase. Sign up and scholarship info available at

<https://www.pinecrestlilm.org/pinecrest-2024>

### **LENT DEVOTIONALS**

Regular and large print versions are available in the Narthex. Childrens' Devotionals will be given out in Sunday School.

### **STAIRLIFT FUNDRAISER**

Help us lift you up! Our stairlift to the Sanctuary needs replacing. Our goal is \$3,700.00. Thank you for helping make HTLC more accessible.

### **VIDEOGRAPHER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Learn a new skill. The camera is really user friendly. See Pastor for additional information.

### **YOGA PRACTICE**

Yoga, Thursdays, at 7 pm in the Friendship Hall. One hour for only \$10.

Contact Carol Robinson, 917-208-7340, for additional information.

### **BIRTHDAY CAKE SIGNUP SHEET FOR 2024**

June needed. See signup sheet in the narthex.

### **February Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- 3 Tatyana Rajbali
- 5 Sam Lewis
- 5 Susan Downey
- 5 Amelia Calderon
- 16 John & Gloria Daxland
- 19 Diane Gilroy
- 26 Mary Ng



## **LENT & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

### **ASH WEDNESDAY + FEBRUARY 14, 2024**

Service with Imposition of Ashes at Noon  
Imposition of Ashes & Blessing  
(Walk-In, No Service) 7-8pm

### **LENTEN SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Services at 10am  
Coffee Hour after Worship

### **PALM SUNDAY + MARCH 24, 2024**

Service at 10am  
Palm Sunday Breakfast  
after Worship

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY + MARCH 28, 2024**

Potluck & Service at 6pm

### **GOOD FRIDAY + MARCH 29, 2024**

Tenebrae Service at 7:30pm

### **EASTER SUNDAY + MARCH 31, 2024**

Service at 10am

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