

As We Gather

On the Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, we are invited by Jesus to join Peter, James, and John ascending the mountain. There we behold the Lord revealed in the brightness of the glory of God with Moses (standing for the Law) and Elijah (standing for the Prophets). Here, as we turn toward the Lord Jesus, the veil of blindness is removed. By His presence and Gospel, "we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is being celebrated today. It is the belief of the Lutheran Church, based on Jesus' own words, that in this Sacrament His body and blood are really present and that forgiveness of sins and the assurance of salvation are offered to all who come confessing their sins and believing in Him. Communion is therefore offered to those who share this confession of faith. Children who are not yet confirmed are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Guests who may have questions about Communion at Mt. Calvary are encouraged to talk to Pastor Brighton.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

OPENING HYMN: *"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"* **Hymn #873**

THE INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

(Please kneel)

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.
Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a servant of Christ and by His authority I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: ***"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"***

**Renew me, O Eternal Light,
And let my heart and soul be bright,
Illumined with the light of grace
That issues from Your holy face.**

**Remove the pow'r of sin from me
And cleanse all my impurity
That I may have the strength and will
Temptations of the flesh to still.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son, You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud, You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(Please be seated.)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 34:29-35 *(The radiant face of Moses)*

²⁹ When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the Testimony in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD. ³⁰ When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹ But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. ³² Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

³³ When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. ³⁴ But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵ they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE ANTHEM: ***"Jesus On the Mountain Peak"***

Sanctuary Choir

THE EPISTLE READING: 2 Corinthians 4:1-6 (*"Let light shine out of darkness."*)

¹ Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. ² Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. ³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

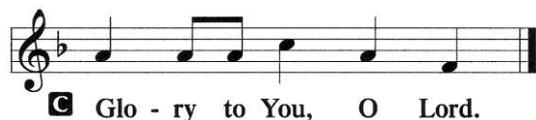
THE ALLELUIA VERSE:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the ninth chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-9 (*Jesus is transfigured.*)

² After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. ³ His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

⁵ Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters--one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶ (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

⁷ Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

⁸ Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise to You, O Christ.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Vicar Kevin Thomson

THE HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

Hymn #414

THE MESSAGE:

"Lord of My Life"

based on Mark 9:2-9

THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS: After each petition, the Worship Leader will say, *"Lord in Your mercy,"* and the congregation will respond, ***"Hear our prayer."***

THE GATHERING OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

++ The Stewardship Thought ++

The transfiguration of our Lord gives us a glimpse of His heavenly glory.

May we always keep our eyes focused on Jesus!

"Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: 'This is My Son, whom I love. Listen to Him!' Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus." (Mark 9:7-8)

OFFERTORY HYMN:

"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

**Create in me a new heart, Lord,
That gladly I obey Your Word.
Let what You will be my desire,
And with new life my soul inspire.**

**Grant that I only You may love
And seek those things which are above
Till I behold You face to face,
O Light eternal, through Your grace.**

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE PREFACE

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 Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION *(The center cup in each tray is white grape juice for pregnant moms or those allergic to alcohol.)*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"What Is This Bread"

Hymn #629

"Beautiful Savior"

Hymn #537

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

Hymn #621

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN: *"Alleluia, Song Of Gladness"* Hymn #417

(During the penitential season of Lent, we do not sing "Alleluia," so this hymn is our farewell to Alleluia until we shout "He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!" on Easter Morning.)

A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Member of the Week - Don Barnes grew up in Andrews, SC. He graduated from Francis Marion University in Florence SC. He has 3 daughters: Beth Dyan, (49) who lives in Florence, SC, Rebecca Barnes, (37) who lives in Fort Mill, SC, and Morgan Barnes, (14) who lives in Warner Robins. He has 2 granddaughters Savannah and McKenna Dyan who live in Florence, SC. Don has been teaching for 24 years; the past 10 of which he has been at Twiggs Academy, Jeffersonville, GA. Subjects he teaches are: US History, World History, Civics, Government, Economics and Bible. He is also the Twiggs Academy football coach as well as cross country and track. In the past he also coached baseball and basketball. Awards he has received are: Football Coach of the Year, Basketball Coach of the Year and Star Teacher. His hobbies are reading and writing. Don has been a faithful member of Mt. Calvary since 2003. You are sure to see him every Sunday in Sunday School and church.

This week's Altar Flowers were provided by Marjorie Hogan, in loving memory of her husband, John.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Ellen Rowlette from Caroline Martin.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Kevin Tuttle from D. J. & Cynthia Nelson.

Senior Fellowship - Come join us for Senior Fellowship **Thursday, February 19th, at 11:00 am**, in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a brief Bible study, a game or two, recognition of birthdays and anniversaries, a great time, and a delicious pot luck lunch. If, for some reason you cannot make a dish, bring yourself, there is always plenty of really delicious food.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Jean Allatson, Maureen Young's sister, from Doug & Deb Fingles.

Warner Robins Food Bank Project - After the holidays, the Food Bank supplies are low and they are in need of our support. Please start bringing in your non-perishable food items, and also household essentials. **Household essential items can include:** toilet paper, soap, detergent, bleach, paper items, cups, plastic forks, spoons, and toiletries. Place all items in the box labeled WR Food Bank, under the table by the front door. If you enter via the Fellowship Hall, place items in the blue bin next to the soda machine. This project will run from **February thru June**.

Mailing Address for Ed & Lois Meyer: 9208 Aboite Road, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46804

Help us with the Sunday slides! We need several people to help show the PowerPoint slides for the 8:00 and 10:45 am services on a rotating basis (once every three months). Training will be provided. Please speak to Pastor Brighton if you are interested.

30 Hour Famine! The High School Youth of our congregation will be participating in the 30 Hour Famine to help raise money for World Vision. The famine begins this Sunday, February 15th, at Noon and goes through Monday, February 16th, at 6:00 pm. Youth need to either raise \$35 in sponsors or pay \$35 to attend this event. Join us for 30 hours as we focus on God's blessings, participate in service projects, and drink a lot of juice!

Middle School Winter Retreat: Youth in grades 6-8 will be going to the Calvin Center next weekend (February 20th – 22nd) for their Winter/Spring Retreat. Participants need to meet at church on Friday at 5:00 for dinner. We will be returning around Noon on Sunday. The cost for the weekend is \$100/person which covers housing, transportation, meals, & the program. This will be a great weekend to grow as a group and in fellowship one another. A list of what to bring was sent home with the youth but will also be e-mailed out to parents later on this week.

Mission Trip Registration Is Open: Registration for "Linked" The 2015 High School Mission Trip to Nashville, TN is open to all youth in grades 8-12. The cost for the week is \$240/person and includes everything but Sunday's lunch. The price will go down based on funds raised, so a \$100 deposit is all you need to register.

Men's Breakfast – Guys! It's time to sign up at the Information Desk for this month's breakfast. We'll meet at 8:00 am in the Michael Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, February 21st**. Join us for good food and fellowship. Those "young men" of high school age and older are invited!

Church Directory in PDF Format – If you want a current to-the-minute church directory, just call or e-mail the church office. Our secretary can take 1 minute to create a PDF that's easy to use and up-to-date, then e-mail it to you.

Craft & Chat – Please join us for a morning of crafting of your choice and fellowship. We meet the third Wednesday of the month (this Wednesday) at 9:30 am in the annex. Please join us if you would like to learn how to knit or crochet or if you just want to sit and chat.

PRAYER CONCERNS

The family of Jean Allatson, Maureen Young's sister, who died January 28th.

Molly Keister, who is recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Annamarie vonDebschitz, who is hospitalized.

Kathy Grube, who is receiving chemo treatments for 5 days before stem cell replacement surgery on February 19th.

Paula Babcock, who will be having surgery for breast cancer.

Joyce Boone, our former Wednesday Night cook, who will be having neck surgery this week.

Angie Carros, Carol Felderman's aunt, who was just diagnosed with colon cancer.

Keep In Your Prayers

John Hunter, Connie Kinsey, Antonio Kong (Evy Keyes' father), Josie Kong (Evy Keyes' mother), Pastor Ed Meyer, Gayle Calhoun (Sonya Popken's mom), Anita McIntyre, Jo Ann Smith & Karen Johnson.

(NOTE: Those listed under "Keep in your prayers" are removed from the list after eight weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another eight weeks, please contact the church office.)

Those Battling Cancer

Those battling cancer: Chet Branscom, Jace Cumbie (son of Amanda McVay's boyfriend), Mary Schwope (Michele Durbin's aunt), Jeannette Poniske (Fred Tamer's mom), Doris Helmes (Bill Zeuner's sister), Margaret Frazier, Dwight Hulse (friend of Roger & Gina Peterson), Bruce Oswalt (Krystal Ferguson's father), Scott Stanley (friend of Pedro & Kathy Camejo), Gary Jennings (Margaret Jennings' son), Elaine Mead (Jeannie Hawkins' aunt), Fred Diehl, John Hoar and Dana (Stroud) Stewart (Valerie Koehler's daughter).

Those Serving in the Military in Dangerous Areas

Christopher Dierking, Christopher Mittuch, Thomas Kaiser Guilford, Darrin Landis, Denver Yarbrough, Michael Welch, Jonathan Fetchik and Christian Corbitt, for safety and good health as they serve our country in dangerous areas.

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Vicar Kevin Thomson. **LITURGIST:** Pastor David Brighton. **ELDERS:** Bob Yeager (Sun 8 am) and Adam Beecher (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Carolyn Harper (8 am) & Tyler Longbine (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Erv Robinson, Paul Keister, Fred Hursey, Steve Kirchoff & Eric Gossman. Late – Dwight Miller, Roger Moeller, John Hunter, Jon Peterson, Jim Morey & Cameron Mastenbrook. **ALTAR GUILD:** Sue Glaser, Barb Mabee, Ginger Martin, Kathy Robinson & Sharon Suckow. **LAY READERS:** Lexie Hadley (8 am) and Dave Radcliff (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Christi Bacon. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Tanner Gossman (8 am) and Josh Johnson (10:45 am).

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Eric Gossman (Sun 8 am) and D. J. Nelson (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Chase McVay (Wed 7 pm), Chase McVay (Sat 6 pm), Andrew LeBorious (Sun 8 am) and Breanna Cook (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Sallie Brinkley, Barbara Locke, Sherry Parsons & Pat Stetzler. **LAY READERS:** Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Darron Counselman (Sun 8 am) and Bonnie Hudlin (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Sallie Brinkley (Sun 8 am) and Nancy Branscom (Sun 10:45 am).

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Genesis 22:1-18 and James 1:12-18

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday – 51 Early – 78 Late – 161 Total – 290

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Today	12:00 pm	30-Hour Famine (thru Monday 6 pm)
	6:00 pm	Valentine Sweetheart Dinner
Monday	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	8:30 am – 5:30 pm	Lifeline Screening
	6:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	6:30 pm	Elder Visits
	7:15 pm	Bell Choir
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	
	9:30 am	Craft and Chat
	6:00 pm	Dinner
	7:00 pm	Worship
Thursday	9:30 am	Mom's Play Group
	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
	11:00 am	Senior Fellowship
Friday	5:00 pm	GA Lutheran Middle School Retreat (thru Sunday Noon)
Saturday	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast
	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	12:00 pm	EE Kickoff Luncheon
	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting