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## Transfiguration Of Our Lord February 11, 2024

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GREETER	Barb Ward
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ORGANIST/PIANIST	Marit Medefind Bond

### This Week

TODAY	10 AM	Worship Service
MONDAY	6 PM	Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY	9 AM	Centering Prayer
	10 AM	Ash Wednesday Service

**Attendance for last week 27  
and via Zoom 1**

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting - ELW 147  
Gathering Song **Beautiful Savior – ELW 838**  
Confession and Forgiveness - ELW 95  
Kyrie – ELW 147  
Canticle of Praise - ELW 149  
Prayer of the Day  
First Reading -- Psalm -- Epistle Reading  
Message for Young at Heart  
Special Music  
Gospel Announcement, Acclamation - ELW 151  
Message  
Hymn of the Day **How Good, Lord, to Be Here –  
ELW 315 (vs. 1, 2, & 5)**  
Nicene Creed - ELW 104  
Prayers of Intercession  
Offering, Offertory and Prayer  
Great Thanksgiving - ELW 152 - Pastor's Preface  
Our Response - ELW 153  
Lord's Prayer - ELW 154  
Words of Institution  
Confession Song - ELW 154  
Distribution  
Prayer After Communion  
Blessing  
Sending Song **I Want to Walk as a Child of the  
Light – ELW 815**  
Announcements -- Dismissal

## FOR THE GATHERED

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.

### Upcoming Events – Mark your Calendar

February 18 **Worship Service**  
February 19 **Church Office Closed—Presidents' Day**  
February 21 **Centering Prayer**  
February 22 **Birthday Luncheon – Chili's**  
February 25 **Worship Service**

### Prayers for healing:

Family of Dottie Andersen; Hetland Family; Betty Madsen; Gleneda Mural; Dorothy Woody; Joel Knox; Susan Kateley; Rosie Sullivan; Karen Darby; Eric Smith; Lynette Figueroa's nephew & mother; Gleneda Mural's niece, Shereida; Lynette Figueroa; Nan Dailey; Kimberly Castillo's daughter Jillian and mother-in-law Lupe; Pam Andersen; Pastor John Russell-Curry and his family; Warren Westerberg; Jan & Joe Collins; Sylvia Poupard; Jeane & David Hetland; Penny Waha; Annie Sofranek; Susanne Smith; David Cherf; and people who are ill around the world.

We lift prayers for our Benevolence of the Month, **Scholarship Fund** and for our Sierra Pacific Synod Bishop, **Jeff Johnson**.