THE OFFERING & PRAYERS

HYMN: #256 "How Great Thou Art"

PRAYER AND BLESSING, P.25 ("Amen, Amen, Amen")

CLOSING HYMN: #25 "The King Shall Come"

<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>: Due to the Sunday we missed due to weather, we include last week's birthdays with this week's listings--"Happy Birthday Ya'll!"—
Feb.24th—Loren Hauk, Savannah Swinford; Feb 25th—Lawrence
Jungwirth, Carol Magolski; Feb 26th—Ian Koerner; Feb 28th—Evelyn
Rupple; Mar 1st—Bruce Benton; Mar 3rd—David Grossman; Mar 4th—
Kristi Gorges, Cynthia Roloff; Mar 9th—Susan Schuelke.

<u>LENT BEGINS</u>: The season of Lent begins this Wednesday, Mar 6, "Ash Wednesday." We thank the Women's Fellowship group for offering to serve the Soup Supper (Begins at 5:30 pm). Worship follows at 6:30 pm. Learn more about our Midweek Lenten theme in the March newsletter.

MIDWEEK LENTEN FELLOWSHIPS--SIGN-UP: A schedule for servers is laid out on the counter for the Midweek Fellowships in Lent--See where you or your group can volunteer to help fill out our serving schedule--Thank you!

MARCH CALENDAR & NEWSLETTER SENT OUT BY EMAIL: A digital version of the church newsletter & calendar went out by email and on Facebook and our church webpage this past Thursday. Some hardcopies are also available on the counter today. If none are left when you go for one, ask Pastor Finn and he'll get one for you!



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LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY March 3, 2019

AS WE GATHER

The season of showing his glory to his disciples is coming to a close. We stand at the threshold of the season of his ultimate humiliation. But before we go down to the valley of the shadow of death, he gives us a glimpse of his glory which he hid so carefully even while revealing it. Lent is coming; hang onto the glory that soon will be covered in shamed and washed with blood!

Order of Service

BELLS & WELCOME BY PASTOR

LITURGY: Following Opening Hymn we continue on page 15 in the front of the red hymnals, following "The Common Service."

HYMNS USED IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Hymn: #369 "Beautiful Savior"

Psalm of the Day: Ps.148 page 121 (Sing in Unison)
Hymn of the Day: #95 "How Good, Lord, to Be Here"

Hymn: #256 "How Great Thou Art"
Closing: #25 "The King Shall Come"

<u>PRAYER OF THE DAY:</u> "Lord God, heavenly Father, before the suffering and death of Your one and only Son, You revealed His glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear His cross on earth may behold by faith the light of His heavenly glory and so be changed into His likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever." (Sing "Amen")

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 34:29-35 (Even a reflection of God's divine glory is too much for sinful people to bear.) 29 "When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law 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. ³¹But 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."

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 148, page 121 (Sing in Unison)

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-49 On the Mount of Transfiguration Christ showed a glimpse of his glorified body. The presence of Moses and Elijah with glorified bodies provides a foreshadow of the hope the Apostle Paul expresses of a bodily resurrection for us in glory too! 35 But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?" 36 How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. 37 When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. ³⁸ But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body. ⁴²So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; ⁴³ it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; ⁴⁴ it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵ So it is written: "The first man Adam became a living being;" the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶ The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after

that the spiritual. ⁴⁷ The first man was of the dust of the earth; the second man is of heaven. ⁴⁸ As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the heavenly man, so also are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹ And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we bear the image of the heavenly man.

<u>VERSE OF THE DAY</u>: Alleluia. "A voice came from the cloud: 'This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" Alleluia. (Mark 9:7)

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 9:28-36 The account of Christ's *Transfiguration.* ²⁸ About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. 30 Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. ³¹They spoke about his departure, ^[a] which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. ³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.) ³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED, p.19 in front of hymnal

HYMN OF THE DAY: #95 "How Good, Lord, to Be Here"

SERMON: Based on 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-49

"An Astounding Transformation Awaits You!"

After the Sermon, we rise to sing, "Create in Me," on page 20 in the front of the hymnal.