



Welcome to Bethesda Lutheran Church

A place of healing and reconciliation in Christ

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD



WITH HOLY COMMUNION

✝ February 15, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.

✠ GATHERING ✠

**THE ASTERISK INDICATES WHEN THE ASSEMBLY RISES THROUGHOUT THE WORSHIP SERVICE.*

PRELUDE

TYLER PYLE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

One Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the Creator of heaven and earth,
the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

Many **Amen**

One Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Mighty God, lover of justice,

Many **You call us to life in community, but we have served our own
interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit
where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts
are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give
us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk
humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

One The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares:
Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the
righteousness of Christ and forgives your sin in ✠ Jesus' name. May the
Spirit give you strength to live for others and bless you with the gift of
peace!

Many **Amen.**

KYRIE

ELW Setting 6 PG 165

GLORIA

ELW Setting 6 PG 167

GREETING

One The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Many **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Many Holy God, mighty and immortal,
you are beyond our knowing,
yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ,
whose compassion illumines the world.
Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ,
who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity,
the same Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

✠ **WORD** ✠

FIRST READING: Exodus 24:12-18

12 The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." 13 So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. 14 To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

15 Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. 16 The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. 17 Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. 18 Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

One Word of God, Word of Life
Many **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 2 PETER 1:16-21

16 We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. 17 For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." 18 We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

19 So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. 20 First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, 21 because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

One Word of God, Word of Life
Many Thanks be to God.

We rise for the reading of the Gospel.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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One The holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.
Many Glory to you, O Lord.

*GOSPEL | Matthew 17:1-9

1 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. 2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. 3 Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4 Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." 5 While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. 7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." 8 And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead

One The Gospel of our Lord.
Many Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pr. Grant Vanderford

HYMN OF THE DAY

HOW GOOD, LORD, TO BE HERE!

ELW 315

* 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.**

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

One Hear us, O God.
***Many* Your mercy is great.**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

One The peace of Christ be with you always.
***Many* And also with you.**

✠ MEAL ✠

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. You may place your offering in the plates as they are passed by the ushers. You may also scan the QR code to the right for online giving.



NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow ELW 885

OFFERTORY PRAYER

One God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Many Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ELW setting 6 172

DIALOGUE

One The Lord be with you.

Many And also with you.

One Lift up your hearts.

Many We lift them to the Lord.

One Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW setting 6 ELW Pg. 173

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

One: ... Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Many Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

**Many Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

ONE Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
Come to the table; taste and see.

HOLY COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

ELW setting 6

ELW 174

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR
Now, LORD

ELW 838
ELW 201

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

One Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Many Amen.

BLESSING

One May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise bless you now and forever.

Many Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

WOW

BURYING THE ALLELUIA

**MANY I WONDER, I WONDER. THE WONDERS OF WORSHIP, WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
I WONDER, I WONDER. THE WONDERS OF WORSHIP, WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
COME AND SEE! COME NOW AND SEE!**

*SENDING HYMN

ALLELUIA, SONG OF GLADNESS

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*DISMISSAL

One Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
Many **Thanks be to God.**

* POSTLUDE

Tyler Pyle

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	SERVING TODAY FEBRUARY 15, 2026	SERVING NEXT SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 22, 2026
SUNDAY	Transfiguration Sunday	1 st Sunday of Lent
PRESIDING MINISTER	Grant Vanderford	Grant Vanderford
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THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ FEBRUARY 15-21, 2026 ✠

TIME	DAY	Event
	SUNDAY	
9:30 AM		Worship
10:30		Coffee Fellowship
	MONDAY	
10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.		Office Hours†
10:00 A.M.		Lectionary Study -Lounge
	TUESDAY:	

8 Worship

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ FEBRUARY 15-21, 2026 ✠

10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.		Office Hours
9:30 A.M.		Women's Bible Study
6:00 P.M.		Bell Set up
6:30 P.M.		Bell Rehearsal
WEDNESDAY		
9:00 A.M.		Quilting
10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.		Office Hours
5:30 P.M.		Meal
6:30 P.M.		Ash Wednesday Service
7:30 P.M.		Choir
THURSDAY		
3:45 P.M.		BAS Chapel
10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.		Office Hours
6 P.M.		Scouts
FRIDAY		
ALL DAY		Office Closed
9:00 P.M.		NA Meeting

Jane will be out of the office February 17-26. Thank-you to the volunteers helping provide office hospitality in my absence.

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WALKING THE WAY WITH JESUS



ASH WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 18
6:30 P.M. WORSHIP
5:30 P.M. MEAL

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

**vegetarian options will be available*

5:30 P.M.
6:30-7 P.M.

MEAL
VESPERS

Feb 18
Feb 25
Mar 4
Mar 11
Mar 18
Mar 25

Soups, & Breads
Taco Bar
Pizza & Salad
Scalloped potatoes and ham
Pulled pork sandwiches & beans
Pancakes, eggs & sausage

Fill the Pew Donations

STARTING FEBRUARY 18

GRANOLA BARS
POP TARTS
INDIVIDUAL PACKS OF CRACKERS
INDIVIDUAL PACKS OF CEREAL

Looking ahead...

FEBRUARY 25

SHAMPOO
CONDITIONER
HAIR SPRAY
HAIR MOUSSE
COMBS/BRUSHES
HAIR ACCESSORIES



wednesday feb.25

JOIN US ON THIS LENTEN
EVENING WHEN 85 MEMBERS
OF THE **CONCORDIA CHAPEL**
CHOIR WILL HAVE DINNER
WITH OUR COMMUNITY
+ SHARE THEIR MUSICAL
TALENTS DURING WORSHIP!

5:30 P.M. MEAL
6:30 P.M. WORSHIP



AFTERNOON OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

Where: **The Linden**

(1500 7th St. S., Moorhead)

Time: **1-4 p.m. on 4th Tuesdays** each
month.

Parking is available in the lot.

Come enjoy visiting and friendships!

Any questions, contact Sharon Bungum Olson at 701-799-6428
or olsonmom58103@yahoo.com.



ADULT FORUM **FEBRUARY 22, 2026**

JOIN US FOR A CONVERSATION ON
**"WORKING THROUGH GRIEF & LEARNING
TO EMBRACE LIFE'S BLESSINGS"**
PRESENTED BY DEB HADLEY & DENISE
HADLEY WITH KT HUMBLE HEARTS
GRIEF SUPPORT SERVICES



February prayer prompt
"Love"

**Pray that Christ's love will heal
our hearts allowing us to love
those that we don't
understand or agree with.**