

~ *The Reverend Philip C. Spohn* ~

As you enter the worship space, feel free to go to the altar and light a candle representing your life and the light you are to the world. May you shine brightly throughout the week.

Transfiguration Sunday
Order of Worship

Prelude

Steve Wysocki

No matter who you are or where you are on your faith journey, **you are welcome here!**

Welcome & Announcements

We are gathered and ready and aware of God's presence.

Chime~

Silence~

Prayer~

Opening Song: *Holy Spirit*

Time for All Ages

Josh Gulotta

1st Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

Cheryl Lawler

At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The "glory of the LORD" settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.

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.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 99

¹ The LORD is king; let the people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

² **The LORD, great in Zion,
is high above all peoples.**

³ Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;
God is the Holy One.

⁴ **O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

⁵ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool;
God is the Holy One.

⁶ **Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your
name, O LORD, they called upon you, and you answered them,**

⁷ you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

⁸ **O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

⁹ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill;
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Gospel Acclamation:

Come and See

Perimeter Worship/Laura Story

Amy Kares, soloist

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:1-8

Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.

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.

Help us God, as we seek to interpret what this means for our lives.

Message

Reception of Tithes & Offerings

February Special Offering

Food Bank - Fresh Produce

Offertory: *We Fall Down*

Offering Response: *Take My Life*

Prayers of the Church

Cheryl Glasker

After each petition: Open our eyes and ears to your call.

Transfigure our hearts and minds with your Word.

Monica Wagner, Michael Colavita, Charlie Kimble, Mel Jones, Chip Rust, Tiffany Weddle,
Dianne Diehl, Bill Bergstresser, Dawn Ward, Bobbie & Bob Dietz, Sheila, Chris Kline,
Mark Rambo, The Kmetz Family, Leona, Richard, Ashley Viegas, Mary Ann Kolumber,
Michel Daage, Mariah Butterfield, George Suarez, Meghan, Bill Tone, Kyle

Condolences to the Family & Friends of Robert M. Keefer

*When a name is placed on the Prayer List, it will remain there for one month unless you notify us.
If you would like a call, a visit, or communion from Pastor Phil, please call the church office.*

Finally, and together: **Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers,
we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness,
made known to us in Jesus, whom we love and follow. Amen.**

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.**

Closing Song: *God of Wonders*

Benediction: *Make Me a Servant*

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

BRUNCH is being served!

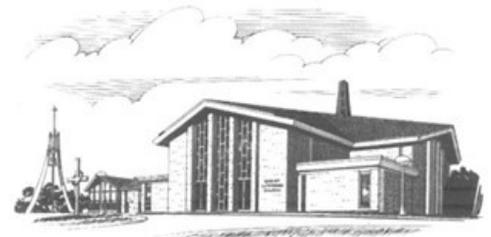
Please join us downstairs in Fellowship Hall following worship this morning.

All Are Welcome

• **Faith Statement** •

The people of Christ Lutheran Church of Hellertown invite you to join us as we seek to discover the importance of Jesus' teachings for our time. We take the Bible seriously, not literally. We look to scripture, faith, experience, and reason to guide our journey. We affirm that everyone is created in the divine image, and that God is active in all people, including those who do not profess the Christian faith.

We acknowledge and respect people of other faiths who understand that God is working in them and through them to bring about peace, justice, love, and reconciliation. We strive to transform our lives to live the teachings of Jesus and, above all, to love unconditionally. We warmly welcome all people regardless of race, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Everyone is welcome here.



WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES Soup @ 6pm - Service @ 7pm	
February 25th	Christ Lutheran Church 69 Main St, Hellertown, PA 18055
March 4th	Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church 2451 Saucon Valley Rd, Center Valley, PA 18034
March 11th	First United Church of Christ 501 Northampton St, Hellertown, PA 18055
March 18th	New Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church 3233 Apples Church Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18015
March 25th	Lower Saucon United Church of Christ 1375 3rd Ave, Hellertown, PA 18055

Lenten Speaker Series - Christ Lutheran members, staff, and friends will share their Faith Journeys at Sunday morning worship services during Lent: February 22nd, Tim Feather; March 1st, Mike McNeish; March 8th, Marianna Thush; March 15th, Cheryl Enslin; March 22nd, Nancy DeVogel