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A NALC Congregation



*Welcome to worship at Cross of Christ!
In the Cross of Christ I glory †*

**Transfiguration Of Our Lord
February 15, 2026**

(* Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

OUR ACCOMPANIST MRS. YVONNE YOST

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: 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.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

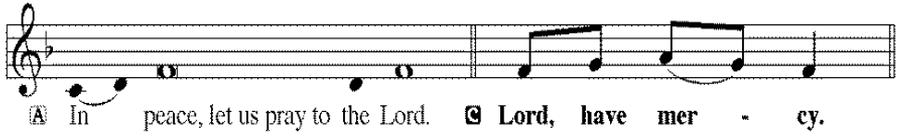
*OPENING HYMN “*O That The Lord Would Guide My Ways*” LBW 480

*APOSTOLIC GREETING

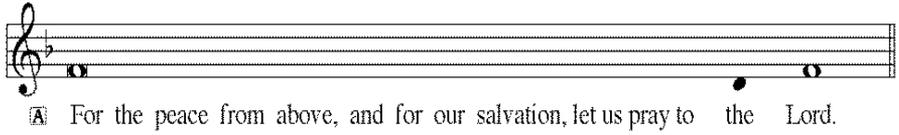
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

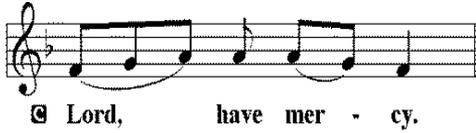
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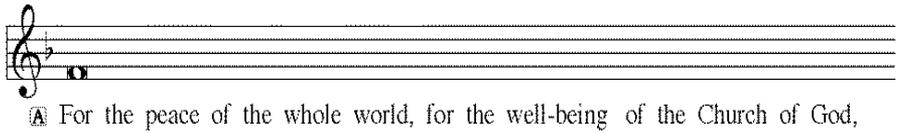
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



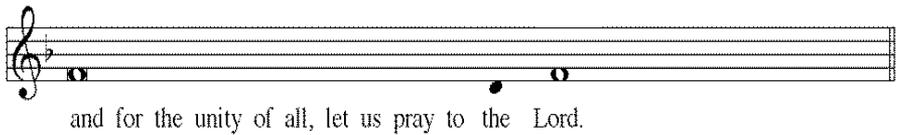
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



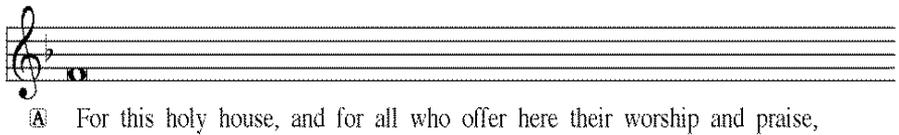
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



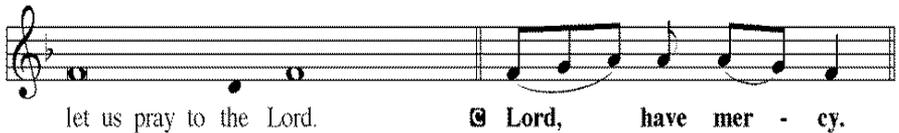
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



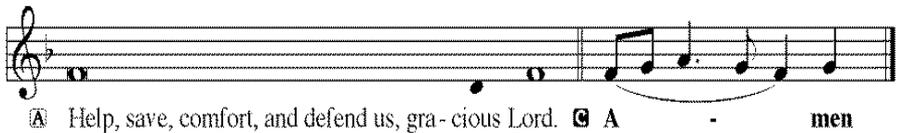
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

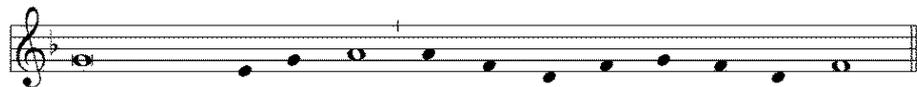


let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

*HYMN OF PRAISE: "Glory to God"



☐ Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



☑ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

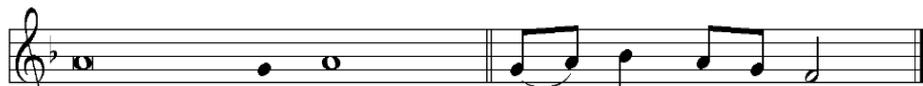


you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men

*SALUTATION



☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, at the glorious transfiguration of your only Son, you confirmed the mystery of our faith by the witness of the disciples and by your own voice from the cloud. Mercifully complete our adoption as your children, and give us, with our King, an inheritance of his glory. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

FIRST READING: Exodus 24: 8-18 (ESV)

⁸ And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." ⁹ Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰ and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹ And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. ¹² The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³ So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them." ¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst 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 people of Israel. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

The Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 2: 6-12 (ESV) READ RESPONSIVELY BY VERSE

⁶ "As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill."

⁷ **I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.**

⁸ Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,

and the ends of the earth your possession.

**9 You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."**

10 Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

11 **Serve the LORD with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.**

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1: 16-21 (ESV)

16 For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. **17** For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," **18** we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. **19** And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, **20** knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. **21** For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

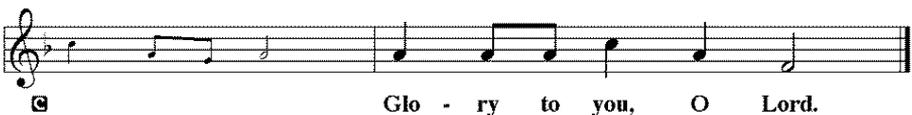
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*Gospel Acclamation



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 according to St. Matthew, the 17th chapter.

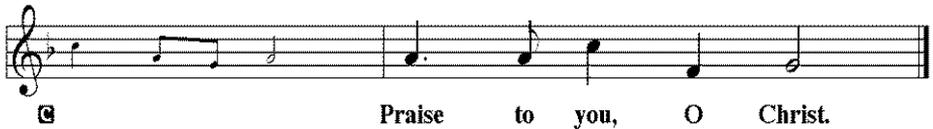


Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL: ST. MATTHEW 17: 1-9 (ESV)**

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, 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 white as light. ³ And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” ⁵ He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” ⁸ And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. ⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.”

This is the Gospel of our Lord.



SERMON

Pastor George Rhyne

*SERMON HYMN *“Immortal, Invisible”*

LBW 526

*NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit**

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE OFFERTORY



☩ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir -



it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take



not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the



joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*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**

*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

*Sending Hymn *“Beautiful Savior”* LBW 518

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE (Please stand as you are able)

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The **Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John Faggart by Karen and Amanda Faggart.

NOAH meets tomorrow, Monday at 6:30 PM.

Pancake Meal is this **Tues at 6PM.**

Ash Wednesday Service is at 7pm **this Wednesday** with communion.

March newsletter articles are due **next Sunday.**

A Thrivent Action Team is sponsoring a food drive for the Mt. Pleasant Food Bank in conjunction with our January and February breakfast. Non-perishable food items will be collected through February with a concentration on soup donations for “Souper” Bowl Sunday. Currently greatest needs are peanut butter, canned fruit, canned meat, soup, canned potatoes, canned beans of any kind, and juice. Currently no green beans or corn are needed. Items in plastic, cans, or boxes are preferred. Boxes will be down front on the pulpit side for collection, and beside the fireplace at breakfast. Please help spread the word to your family and friends that attend our breakfast. Thank you.

Free Oyster Stew & Potato Soup Night

Saturday, February 28 • 5:00 PM

A Completely Free Community Meal

Theme Verse:

“Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.” — Matthew 5:16

Cross of Christ will host a warm and welcoming **Free Oyster Stew & Potato Soup Night** on Saturday, February 28 at 5:00 PM. This is a **totally free event for the public** — offered with no cost and no expectations, simply as an act of love during the Lenten season.

In *1 Kings 4:15*, we meet **Niam**, a quiet servant whose calling was to feed others faithfully. His name appears only once, yet his work sustained the kingdom. During Lent, we follow that same pattern of humble service. Through simple hospitality — a bowl of oyster stew, a cup of potato soup, a place at the table — we shine Christ’s light in our community.

This meal is one small way we seek to **open our congregation and our community**, creating space for connection, welcome, and grace. When we feed others freely, we open doors. When we welcome without condition, we open hearts. When we serve with love, we open ourselves to the work God is doing among us.

All are invited. All are welcome. Come and share in food, fellowship, and the warmth of Christ’s love.

Please send **Prayer List** updates to prayercclc@gmail.com

and **ALL Bulletin announcements** to the ClericalTeam@gmail.com.

They are due no later than **Wednesday** each week.



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We ask that you always have an individual's permission before requesting their name be added to our Prayer List.

Please send prayer list request additions or changes to prayercccl@gmail.com by Tuesday 5PM.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people... 1Timothy 2:1

In the Fellowship of Cross of Christ

Roy Gray

Call Process prayer requests: 1) Cross of Christ Church; 2) Call Committee; 3) Prospective pastors see our profile/video and consider a call here.

Shut-Ins

Bob and Joann Barrier; Brenda Barrier; Norman Goodman; Nell Hatley; John Trull.

Friends of Cross of Christ

Family of David Goforth

Roddy Ballard; LeaAnn Buckwell; Addie Drye; Ed Duncan; April Funderburke; Lee Gorforth; Candice Horton; Cynthia Horton; Alicia McQueen; Susan Starling; Daniel Pless; Jacob Rodgers; Nick Smith; Max Vanderburg; Bob Wilson (Husband of Linda Wilson – Ongoing health concerns); Candace Yates

Carolina Mission Region Seminarians: Melanie Corn, Robert Dernbach, Lucas Safrit

Serving in the Military

Eaven Allison (Fairbanks, Alaska)

Praise List:

*Amy Preston – Thank you for the prayers, calls, and cards. It means a lot to have the church family's support.

**** Please remember our shut-ins with a visit, phone call, card, or email along with your prayers**

Today February 15, 2026

Sunday Church School 9:00 AM
Family Worship Service 10:00 AM

This Week

MON: 7 PM Soldiers of Christ Practice
6:30 PM NOAH prayer shawl meeting
TUES: 6PM Shrove (Fat) Tues Pancake Meal
WED: 7PM Ash Wednesday Communion Service

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 AM Sunday Church School Classes
10:00 AM Worship Service

Next Sunday's Readings

First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 3: 1-21
Psalm 32: 1-4
Romans 5: 12-19
St. Matthew 4: 1-11

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