

# **TRANSFIGURATION of OUR LORD**

## **Comfort in Captivity**

**February 11, 2024**

**10:30 am**

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 **Zion Lutheran Sioux Falls**

### **AS WE GATHER**

Our Bible Reading of the Day is Jeremiah 1:4–10; 29:1–14; 31:31–34; 33:14–16. When God calls Jeremiah to serve Him, God tells Jeremiah he was chosen as God’s prophet even before he was formed in the womb. When Nebuchadnezzar takes the Israelites into exile in Babylon, Jeremiah writes to the exiles, assuring them of God’s continuing care for them. Through Jeremiah, God promises a new covenant where all people will have the Law written on their hearts. God’s people will live under an eternal covenant through Jesus—David’s righteous branch.

### **OPENING PRAISE SONG:** “Start A Fire” Unspoken

#### **Verse 1**

This world can be cold and bitter Feels like we're in the dead of winter  
Waiting on something better But am I really gonna hide forever?  
Over and over again I hear Your voice in my head  
Let Your light shine, let Your light shine for all to see

#### **Chorus**

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow  
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly  
That everyone around can see  
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

#### **Verse 2**

You only need a spark to start a whole blaze It only takes a little faith  
Let it start right here in this city So these old walls will never be the same

Over and over again I hear Your voice in my head  
They need to know I need to go  
Spirit won't you fall on my heart now

#### **Chorus**

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow  
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly  
That everyone around can see  
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

You are the fire You are the flame You are the light on the darkest day  
We have the hope, we bear Your name  
We carry the news that You have come to save Only You can save

#### **Chorus**

Start a fire in my soul Fan the flame and make it grow  
So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly  
That everyone around can see  
That it's You, that it's You that we need to start a fire in me

You are the fire You are the flame You are the light on the darkest day  
Yeah, start a fire in me

### **WELCOME | ATTENDANCE | PRAYER CARDS**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **GREET ONE ANOTHER**

### **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**People: Amen.**

## PRAAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: Let us then come before God and each other and confess our sins and ask for forgiveness.

Pastor: Most merciful God,

**People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained Servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**BAPTISM:** Henry Harlan Hauck

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAISE SONG:** "Way Maker" Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

### **Verse 1**

You are here moving in our midst I worship You I worship You  
You are here working in this place I worship You I worship You

### **Chorus**

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker  
Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are  
You are Way Maker Miracle Worker  
Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

### **Verse 2**

You are here turning lives around I worship You I worship You  
You are here mending ev'ry heart I worship You I worship You Lord

### **Chorus**

Way Maker Miracle Worker  
Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are  
Way Maker Miracle Worker  
Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

### **Tag**

That is who You are That is who You are  
That is who You are That is who You are

### **Bridge**

Even when I don't see it You're working Even when I don't feel it You're working  
You never stop You never stop working You never stop You never stop working  
**(Repeat 2 times)**

### **Chorus**

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Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are  
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**TIME IN THE WORD**

**Children’s Bible Reading:** Page 216

**Reading of the Day:** Jeremiah 1:4–10; 29:1–14; 31:31–34; 33:14–16

The word of the Lord came to me, saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.”

“Alas, Sovereign Lord,” I said, “I do not know how to speak; I am too young.”

But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am too young.’ You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you,” declares the Lord.

Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, “I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.”

This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. (This was after King Jehoiachin and the queen mother, the court officials and the leaders of Judah and Jerusalem, the skilled workers and the artisans had gone into exile from Jerusalem.) He entrusted the letter to Elasah son of Shaphan and to Gemariah son of Hilkiyah, whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent to King Nebuchadnezzar in Babylon. It said:

This is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: “Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.” Yes, this is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says: “Do not let the prophets and diviners among you deceive you. Do not listen to the dreams you encourage them to have. They are prophesying lies to you in my name. I have not sent them,” declares the Lord.

This is what the Lord says: “When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you,” declares the Lord, “and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you,” declares the Lord, “and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile.”

“The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

“‘The days are coming,’ declares the Lord, ‘when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

“‘In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line; he will do what is just and right in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior.’

Here ends the Reading.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE**

## OFFERING | TREASURE BOX

**OFFERING SONG:** “Same God” Brandon Lake | Pat Barrett | Chris Brown

### **Verse 1**

I'm calling on the God of Jacob whose love endures through generations  
I know that You will keep Your covenant

I'm calling on the God of Moses the one who opened up the ocean  
I need you now to do the same thing for me

### **Chorus**

Oh God, my God, I need You Oh God, my God, I need You now  
How I need You now Oh, Rock oh Rock of ages  
I'm standing on Your faithfulness On Your faithfulness

### **Verse 2**

I'm calling on the God of Mary Whose favor rests upon the lowly  
I know with You all things are possible

I'm calling on the God of David who made a shepherd boy courageous  
I may not face Goliath but I've got my own giants

### **Chorus**

Oh God, my God, I need You Oh God, my God, I need You now  
How I need You now Oh, Rock oh Rock of ages  
I'm standing on Your faithfulness On Your faithfulness

### **Bridge**

You heard Your children then You hear Your children now  
You are the same God You are the same God

You answered prayers back then And You will answer now  
You are the same God You are the same God

You were providing then You are providing now  
You are the same God You are the same God

You were a healer then You are a healer now  
You are the same God You are the same God

You were the Savior then You are the Savior now  
You are the same God You are the same God

### **Chorus**

Oh God, my God, I need You Oh God, my God, I need You now  
How I need You now Oh, Rock oh Rock of ages  
I'm standing on Your faithfulness on Your faithfulness

### **Chorus**

Oh God, my God, I need You Oh God, my God, I need You now  
How I need You now Oh, Rock oh Rock of ages  
I'm standing on Your faithfulness on Your faithfulness

## PRAYERS 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.**

### WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: Amen.**

**COMMUNION SONG:** “There Is One Gospel” Jonny Robinson | Rich Thompson

### **Verse 1**

There is one Gospel on which I stand For all eternity  
It is my story my Father's plan The Son has rescued me

Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace My highest joy and my deepest need  
Now and forever He is my light I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Verse 2**

There is one Gospel to which I cling All else I count as loss  
 For there where justice and mercy meet He saved me on the cross

No more I boast in what I can bring No more I carry the weight of sin  
 For He has brought me from death to life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Verse 3**

There is one Gospel where hope is found The empty tomb still speaks  
 For death could not keep my Savior down He lives and I am free

Now on my Savior I fix my eyes My life is His and His hope is mine  
 For He has promised I too will rise I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Verse 4**

And in this Gospel the church is one We do not walk alone  
 We have His Spirit as we press on To lead us safely home

And when in glory still I will sing Of this old story that rescued me  
 Praise to my Savior the King of life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Ending**

And when in glory still I will sing Of this old story that rescued me  
 Praise to my Savior the King of life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Praise to my Savior the King of life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ  
 I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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**COMMUNION SONG:** “Who You Say We Are” Steven Curtis Chapman**Verse 1**

Oh how great is the love The Father has lavished on us  
 That we should be called the children of God  
 Oh how great was the cost The Father was willing to pay  
 So we could be called the children of God

**Pre-Chorus 1**

And all that we can say is thank You, thank You  
 And all that we can say is thank You, thank You

**Chorus 1**

We are Your sons we are Your daughters Hallelujah we are who You say we are  
 So we lift our hands and cry Abba Father

Hallelujah we are who You say we are Hallelujah we are who You say we are

**Verse 2**

Oh how great is Your amazing grace That took us as orphans and slaves  
 And made us Your heirs and gave us Your name

There's nothing more that we could ever do You finished it all on the cross  
 And rose from the grave and brought us with You

**Pre-Chorus 1**

And all that we can say is thank You, thank You  
 And all that we can say is thank You, thank You

**Chorus 1**

We are Your sons we are Your daughters Hallelujah we are who You say we are  
 So we lift our hands and cry Abba Father

Hallelujah we are who You say we are Hallelujah we are who You say we are

**Pre-Chorus 1**

And all that we can say is thank You, thank You  
 And all that we can say is thank You, thank You

**Pre-chorus 2**

And all that we can say is thank You, thank You Jesus  
 And all that we can say is thank You, thank You

**Chorus 2**

We are Your sons we are Your daughters Hallelujah we are who You say we are  
 So we lift our hands and cry Abba Father Hallelujah we are who You say we are

**Chorus 1**

We are Your sons we are Your daughters Hallelujah we are who You say we are  
 So we lift our hands and cry Abba Father

Hallelujah we are who You say we are Hallelujah we are who You say we are

**End Tag**

Hallelujah we are who You say we are

**DISMISSAL of the COMMUNICANTS and PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING SONG:** “All the People Said Amen” Matt Maher

**Verse 1**

You are not alone, if you are lonely  
When you feel afraid, you're not the only  
We are all the same, in need of mercy  
To be forgiven and be free

It's all you got to lean on but thank God it's all you need

**Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen

**Verse 2**

If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter  
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after  
We're all broken, but we're all in this together  
God knows we stumble and we fall

And He so loved the world, He sent His son to save us all

**Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen

**Bridge**

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart  
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart  
Blessed are the people hungry for another start  
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God

**Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen

**End Chorus**

And all the people said Amen, woah  
And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said Amen  
And all the people said Amen

**SEND OFF**

Leader: At Zion Lutheran we are committed to reaching out, strengthening the saved,  
**All: and serving Jesus Christ by serving others!**