



## + CLOSING HYMN +

*(Please return your bulletins for use in next week's service.)*

### 2023 Lenten Theme:

## The Mountain Range of the LORD's Glory

*The mountains in Scripture where the LORD's glory is revealed.*

Sunday February 19

**Sermon Text:** Luke 9:28-36

**Mount of Transfiguration:** Where Jesus Reveals His Glory and was encouraged for His Redemptive Work

Tuesday February 21

**Sermon Text:** Nehemiah 9:13-17

**Mount Sinai:** Where the LORD Reveals His Holiness

**Hymns:** #289 | Insert | #552 st 1, 6-8

Sunday February 26

**Sermon Text:** Luke 4:5-8

**Mount of Temptation:** Where Jesus Resists the Devil for Us

Tuesday Feb 28

**Sermon Text:** Joshua 8:30-35

**Mount Gerizim:** Where the LORD Blesses His People

**Hymns:** #369 | #723 | #558:1-2,5-6

Sunday March 5

**Sermon Text:** 1 Kings 18:19-21

**Mount Carmel:** Where the LORD proves He is God

Tuesday March 7

**Sermon Text:** Luke 8:26-27a; 32-33

**Mount of the Gadarenes:** Where Jesus shows Authority over Satan

**Hymns:** #145 | #258 | Insert st. 1, 4&5

**C:** no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him.

*♪ Come in poverty and meanness, come defiled, without, within;  
From infection and uncleanness, from the leprosy of sin,  
Wash your robes and make them white;  
You shall walk with God in light.*

**ALL:** You are indeed angry, for we have sinned—In these ways we continue; And we need to be saved. We are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. But now, O LORD, You are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter; and all we are the work of Your hand. Do not be furious, O LORD, Nor remember iniquity forever; Indeed, please look—we are all Your people!

*♪ Come in sorrow and contrition, wounded, impotent, and blind;  
Here the guilty, free remission, here the troubled, peace may find.  
Health this fountain will restore;  
They that drink shall thirst no more.*

### THE ABSOLUTION:

**P:** The LORD has looked on His people and come down from the heavens with His mercy and compassion. The anger of the LORD was poured out on His sinless Son, Jesus Christ, on the cross at Mount Calvary on account of our sins. At His death, the earth quaked. Because of His suffering and death, you are forgiven.

**C:** “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.” (Isaiah 25:9)

**P:** Thus says the LORD, who has compassion on you “The mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed.” (Isaiah 54:10)

*♪ They that drink shall live forever; 'tis a soul-renewing flood.  
God is faithful; God will never break His covenant of blood,  
Signed when our Redeemer died, sealed when He was glorified.*

P: *It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."* (Isaiah 2:2-3)

Listen now to the Word of the LORD as He teaches us His way...

### **- PASSION READING -**

P: So far our Passion Reading. *Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!*" Amen. (Rev 5:12)

*O God of God, O Light of Light TLH Hymn 132:5*

♪♪ **Then raise to Christ a mighty song,  
And shout His name, His mercies tell!  
Sing, heav'nly host, your praise prolong,  
And all on earth, your anthem swell!  
All hail, O Lamb for sinners slain!  
Forever let the song ascend!  
Worthy the Lamb, enthroned to reign,  
All glory, pow'r! Amen, amen.**

### OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH

*The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord, from Article III*

P: "We unanimously believe, teach, and confess the following about the righteousness of faith before God:

**C: A poor sinful person is justified before God, that is, absolved and declared free and exempt from all his sins and from the sentence of well-deserved condemnation, and is adopted into sonship and inheritance of eternal life, without any merit or worthiness of his own.**

P: This happens without any preceding, present, or subsequent works, out of pure grace, because of the sole merit, complete obedience, bitter suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord Christ alone.

**C: His obedience is credited to us for righteousness. These**

**treasures are brought to us by the Holy Spirit in the promise of the holy Gospel.**

P: Faith alone is the only means through which we lay hold on, accept, apply, and take them for ourselves.

**C: This faith is God's gift, by which we truly learn to know Christ, our Redeemer, in the Word of the Gospel and trust in Him. We trust that for the sake of His obedience alone we have the forgiveness of sins by grace, are regarded as godly and righteous by God the Father, and are eternally saved." This is most certainly true.**

HYMN:

### † THE SERMON †

"The Mountain Range of the LORD's Glory"

OFFERING / PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

EVENING CLOSING

**ALL: We thank You, our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept us this day; and we pray that You would forgive us all our sins where we have done wrong, and graciously keep us this night. For into Your hands we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls, and all things. Let Your holy angels be with us that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.** (Luther's Evening Prayer - Revised)

P: I will both lie down in peace, and sleep;

**C: For You alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.** (*Psalm 4:8*)

P: Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping.

**C: That awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.**

*P: Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore. (Ps 125:1-2)* May the almighty and merciful God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, surround you and keep you in His grace.

**C: Amen.**

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