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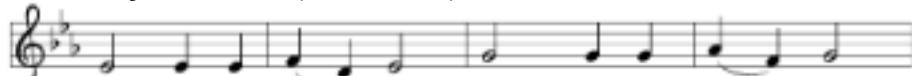
February 15, 2026

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN:

Beautiful Savior (ELW 838)

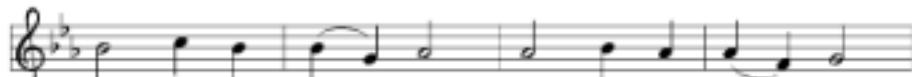
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1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
than all the an - gels in the sky.
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

CONFSSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed Lord Jesus,
on the mountain you revealed your glory,
and the disciples were overwhelmed with fear and wonder.
We confess that we, too, want to stay where faith feels bright and clear,
where prayers are answered quickly
and discipleship feels light.

Forgive us for wanting glory without the cross,

vision without obedience,

and mountaintop faith without valley faith.

We confess that we do not always listen to you,

even when the Father says,

“This is my Son, the Beloved...listen to him.”

In our fear, we cling to what is familiar.

In our doubt, we build shelters instead of following.

**In our pride, we trust our own understanding
more than your word.**

Touch us again, Lord Jesus.

Raise us from our fear.

Forgive us, restore us, and lead us—

not only into your presence,

but also into faithful love and service in the world you redeem.

Amen.

CONFESSITIONAL HYMN:

Alleluia, Song of Gladness (ELW 318)

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1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that can -
2 Al - le - lu - ia you are sound - ing, true Je - ru - sa - lem
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while here
4 In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless - ed Trin



al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choir
al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju -
al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions make us for a while
at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith - ful saint



in the house of God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter -
here by Bab - y - lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - ilies still
for the sol - emn time is com - ing when our tears for sin
there to you for - ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God of mercy,
on the mountain you revealed your Son
and named him as the one we are called to listen to.
By your Spirit, open our ears to hear his voice,
our hearts to trust his way,
and our lives to follow him—
not only in moments of wonder,
but also on the hard roads of faithful obedience.

When we are afraid, remind us that Christ comes near.
When we would rather stay on the mountain,
send us back into the world with courage and love.
Through Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

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.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 2

¹ Why are the nations in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

² **Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt,
and the princes plot together,
against the LORD and against the LORD's anointed?**

³ “Let us break their yoke,” they say;
“let us cast off their bonds from us.”

⁴ **God whose throne is in heaven is laughing;
the LORD holds them in derision.**

⁵ Then in wrath God speaks to them,
and in rage fills them with terror.

⁶ **As for me, I have anointed my king
upon Zion, my holy mountain.**

⁷ Let me announce the decree of the LORD,
who said to me, “You are my son; this day have I begotten you.

⁸ **Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance
and the ends of the earth for your possession.**

⁹ You shall crush them with an iron rod
and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”

¹⁰ **And now, you kings, be wise;
be warned, you rulers of the earth.**

¹¹ Submit to the LORD with fear,
and with trembling bow in worship;

¹² **lest the LORD be angry,
and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath.**
Happy are all who take refuge in 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.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

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.

GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

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."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY:

How Good, Lord, to Be Here! (ELW 315)

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How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;
How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold
Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,
Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;
How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;

your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;
How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold
Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,
Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;
How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Sovereign God,
you revealed your love and guidance for us
on Mount Sinai and the Mount of Transfiguration.
Trusting in your care for us,
we bring to you our prayers.

We pray for your church,
that it may be the light of love for all people.
Strengthen the faithful with the revelation of Christ transfigured,
that we may joyfully follow him.

We pray for the nations of the world,
that their governors may be wise and compassionate.
End violent conflict,
give wisdom to negotiators, and sanctuary to refugees.

We pray for your creation,
that we may be your wise and obedient stewards.
Creation is full of your majesty,
nurture in us a deep respect for all life.

We pray for those who suffer illness, chronic pain, or mental anguish,
that our care for them may bring your healing and liberation.
You bring life from death,
comfort the dying and those who grieve.

We pray for all those who are in search of you,
that they may walk by the lamp of your Spirit
and be at peace in your light now and forever.

We give thanks for the witness of those who have died in faith,
and we praise you for the hope we have in Christ, our Morning Star.

Joined together in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all majesty and honor are yours, Holy One,
forever and ever.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and
may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

*Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the
end of worship as you leave the church.*

OFFERTORY: *Come and See* (W&P 29)

Verse 1

Come and see the glory of the Lord,
Come behold the lamb.
Come and know the mercy of the King,
Bowing down before Him.

Refrain

For He is Lord above the heavens
Lord in all the earth.
Lord of all the angels,
Worthy, so worthy to be served.
Alleluia, alleluia....

Verse 2

Come and give thanks unto the Lord,
Come behold the Lamb.
Come and sing the praises of the King,
Bowing down before Him. *Refrain*

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.
God of mountaintops and valleys,
be our vision of you clouded or brilliantly clear,
we faithfully add our gifts
to those being given all around us.
Bless these offerings that they may be transfigured
into your presence in the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

COMMUNION

*All are welcome to join in the gift of Holy Communion.
White grape juice is available and all altar bread is gluten-free.
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our lord and savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.
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. Amen.

BLESSING

Christ has been revealed to us
that we might follow him and transform the world.
So may the self-revealing God
be a lamp on your way
as the day dawns and rises within you.
Amen.

Serving in Worship

TODAY — Feb 15, 2026

Altar Month: **Al & Bobbie Schimek**

Livestream: **Paul Kunkel**

Welcome: **OPEN**

Reader: **James Apronti**

Assistant: **James Apronti**

Fellowship: **Belinda & James Apronti**

NEXT SUNDAY — Feb 22, 2026

Altar Month: **Al & Bobbie Schimek**

Livestream: **OPEN**

Welcome: **OPEN**

Reader: **OPEN**

Assistant: **OPEN**

Fellowship: **Bobbie & Al Schimek**

SENDING HYMN:
Shine, Jesus, Shine (ELW 671)

♩ = 110

Refrain

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo - ry;
blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -

dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set - us free, by the truth you now bring - us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

Refrain

Shine on me, shine on me, me;

DISMISSAL

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

Trinity Happenings:

Sun, Feb 15:	9:00am	Transfiguration Worship
	10:15am	Fellowship in Gruver Rm
	10:30am	Does the Bible say... ...you should beat your kids?
Mon, Feb 16:	9:00am	Becoming
Tue, Feb 17:	5:30pm	TheologyPUB @ Front Street Tavern

Ash Wednesday: Necessity of Falling, Wisdom of Dust

Lent is often described as a season of repentance: self-examination, and returning to God. But what if Lent is also a season of growing—of being reshaped by God in ways we never expected?

We hope you will join us this Ash Wednesday as we begin our Lenten journey with an acknowledgement of mortality and imperfection. We must "fall" to grow—life's necessary losses can become our path to transformation.

*Wednesday February 18, 2026
6:30pm in the Sanctuary*

Wed, Feb 18:	10:00am	Women's Study in Gruver Rm
	6:30pm	Ash Wednesday Worship



Sun, Feb 22:	9:00am	Band Lenten Worship: <i>Building a Container for the Soul</i>
	9:00am	Sunday School in Downstairs Youth Rm
	10:15am	Fellowship in Gruver Rm

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Worship WELCOME

We can be better about
engaging folks we don't
recognize, as they come in,
even as they leave: jump the
"pastor line" and chat!



Gruver Room Sign Up Available



ELCA Global Outreach



ELCA Global Mission personnel serve in more than 40 countries in assignments that range from a few months to eight years or more. Positions fall into four categories of service:

- Long-term (usually four or more years)
- Global Mission two-year program
- Self-funded volunteer (varied length) - includes teachers and health care professionals
- Young Adults in Global Mission (usually one year)

Horizon international internships are also available to students nominated by their seminaries.

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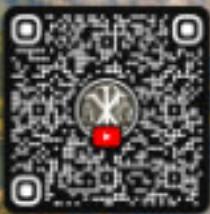
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February 16, 2026

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