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LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Transfiguration of our Lord Sunday
Baptism of Ar'ryn RuthieLeigh Ami De Souza

Image: "The Transfiguration of Jesus" © Father John Giuliani

WELCOME

If this is your first time visiting Redeemer, we're glad you're here and welcome just as you are. We'd love to say hello!
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WORSHIP HYMNALS

Worship hymnals are in the pew backs in each row. TFF stands for This Far by Faith and is the burgundy hymnal. ELW stands for Evangelical Lutheran Worship and is the cranberry red hymnal.

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PRAISE + WORSHIP

Gathering Song *We've Come to Praise Him*

1. We've come to praise Him (3x)
And lift His Holy Name

**Make a joyful noise, unto the Lord
Make a joyful noise, unto the Lord
You ought to praise the Lord
While you have the chance**

2. You ought to praise Him (3x)
And lift His Holy Name

**Make a joyful noise unto the Lord
Make a joyful noise unto the Lord
I'm gonna praise the Lord
While I have the chance**

3. I'm gonna praise Him (3x)
And lift His Holy Name

Welcome

Baptism of Ar'Rynn RuthieLeigh Ami De Souza

We invite you to follow along with the Service of Baptism as you are able as we celebrate with the De Souza Families! Kids are invited to come forward to participate as witnesses to this baptism.

Presentation

Pastor: Let us prepare our spirits for rejoicing! For Ar'Rynn RuthieLeigh Ami De Souza is going to be Baptized this day, and it is her parents' wish to share this joyful experience with you all!

Ar'Rynn, may your baptism bring joy and serve the community as you daily die to self-centeredness and rise to self-giving love. We join you in this celebration and ask that your baptism and life be blessed with God's unconditional promise of grace, forgiveness, courage, compassion, and love. We are here today to surround you with our love and support in these Storied Waters.

Like the Lord's Supper, Baptism is a physical place where God's promise of the Gospel - the good news, is proclaimed and enacted. That, in combining the Word, faith and earthly elements, we are brought into union and communion with the living God.

What is faith but trust and we have seen Ar'Rynn's complete devotion to and trust in her parents as they now bring her forward for this blessing. Today, in Beloved Community, Ar'Rynn will be empowered to live the fullness of her baptism and to join all God's people in serving the community with her gifts.

Commitment + Promises

Pastor: Aaron and Tanisa, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized? If so, say we do. **Parents: We do**

Pastor: Godparents, you have been chosen as Godparents. This is an

CHILDREN

Redeemer loves kids! Your children are welcome in worship and at the Lord's Table, and their noises are celebrated.

Pick up a Redeemer Kids Bags for your kiddos to help them engage in ways that work for them in worship. We have activity sheets, fidget items, and books. Please return the bags at the end of worship so they'll be ready next week.

important role - for every child as they need adults other than their parents in whom they can trust. Do you dedicate yourself to this role? If so, say we do. **Godparents: We do.**

Pastor: Parents and Godparents, in Christian love you have presented Ar'Rynn RuthieLeigh Ami De Souza for holy baptism. Do you promise to support her to the best of your ability, to listen as well as teach, to balance her safety with her freedom to explore, to nurture her physical, emotional and spiritual life, to lift her up in prayer and help her to grow in her faith? Do you intend to act in this way for her sake and for the sake of God's people? If so, say we do.

Parents and Godparents: We do.

Pastor: Congregation, Friends and Family, you occupy an important place in the lives of the Desouza/Penland family. It is in your company and through the example of our triune God that these three have learned and continue to learn about the tremendous act of giving one's love to another, particularly that selfless love of parent to child and that all trusting love of child to parent. We, their community, continue to have a responsibility to this family and to Ar'Rynn. People of God, will you promise to nurture Ar'Rynn in her faith and help her to live in the covenant of her baptism: live among God's faithful people; hear the word of God and share in the Lord's Supper; proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed; serve all people following the example of Jesus; and strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

At times of doubt, will you offer this family the strength of your wisest counsel and the comfort of your thoughtful word? And at times of abundant faith, will you celebrate with them, nourishing their love for one another and the world? If so, please respond, "We Will!" **Congregation: We will.**

Water Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, for the blessing of sacred waters, the source of all life. For the mystical separation of waters and sky; for the protective waters that brought us each into the world; for your dividing of the waters - liberating your people through the Red Sea; for the mighty Mississippi, Bdote, ponds and creeks, snow and rain, your waters above us, below us and all around us, we thank you, O God. Meet us in these waters as you have time and time again and may these waters continue to be a place of mystery, birth, liberation, and sustenance for all who encounter them. Amen.

Thanksgiving at the Font

Pastor: Ar'Rynn RuthieLeigh Ami De Souza, I baptize you in the name of our Creator. May the blessings of creation surround and support you all the days of your life. And in the name of Jesus our Redeemer, may you learn his lessons of servant love. And by the Holy Spirit, may you be guided and comforted by the highest aspirations.

Prayer for the Holy Spirit, Sign of the Cross

Pastor: Ar'Rynn, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Congregation:** Amen!

Pastor: I light this candle as a sign of the promises made here today and invite you all to join in the baptismal candle charge:

Congregation: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify God in heaven.

Welcome

Pastor: Let us welcome the newly baptized first with our words then with our applause!

Congregation: Ar'Rynn, we welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. We give thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world we say, amen!

Special Music: *Jesus Loves Me*

Sharing of the Peace:

L: The peace of Christ be with you always! C: And also with you!

THE WORD

Psalm 2

L: Why are the nations in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

C: 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?

L: "Let us break their yoke," they say,
"let us cast off their bonds from us."

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

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

**C: "As for me, I have anointed my king
upon Zion, my holy mountain."**

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

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

L: You shall crush them with an iron rod
and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

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

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

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

The Word of Our Lord: Thanks be to God!

*You are my son; this day
have I begotten you.
(Psalm 2:7)*

On the Second Lesson:
At the transfiguration, God's voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God's voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.

On the Gospel Lesson:
On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem.

We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

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Second Lesson: 2 Peter 1:16-21

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 had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

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. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Gospel Acclamation: *Jesus, the Light of the World* (TFF 59)

Hark! The herald angels sing, Jesus, the Light of the world;
"Glory to the newborn King," Jesus, the Light of the world.
We'll walk in the light, beautiful light,
Come where the dewdrops of mercy are bright.
Shine all around us by day and by night,
Jesus, the Light of the world.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. 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 Our Lord: **Thanks be to God!**

Kids Message

Sermon: Pastor Jen Collins

Offering

Responsive Hymns *Shine, Jesus, Shine* (TFF 64)

Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, Blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me:

**Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, Blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.**

2. As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me: **[Refrain]**

We Are Marching in the Light of God (TFF 63)

1. We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God. (2x)
We are marching, marching we are marching, marching,
We are marching in the light of God (2x)
2. We are dancing...
3. We are praying...
4. We are singing...

Offering Prayer: God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered. You break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession: (God in your mercy) ...**Hear our prayer.**

Prayer Requests: LuVene Jackson & Family, Paul Palacio, Cheryl Branch, Patricia Humphrey, Claudia Runnels, lone Hanson, All those homebound, All enduring long effects of Covid-19 and pandemic

COMMUNION

All are welcome forward to receive the Sacrament. Please take a small cup from the holder, receive the bread, and choose either the wine or grape juice from the chalice poured. A gluten free option is available.

Online from Zoom: Please share the meal as you are able with crackers, bread and juice or wine. Know that this is *The Body of Jesus broken for you & The Blood of Jesus given for you.*

THE MEAL

Words of Institution

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.

Communion Hymns: *Taste and See* (TFF 126)

**Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord
Oh, taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord
Of the Lord.**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall always be on my lips;
My soul shall glory in the Lord; for God has been so good to me.

NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY - Baptism of Ar'Rynn RuthieLeigh Ami De Souza

2/20/23 - 18+ Redeemer Gathering, 3pm at Graze

2/22/23 - Ash Wednesday: Receive Ashes and communion 12-1 pm, drive up at Redeemer on Glenwood

7:00 pm at Christ River of Life, Ash Wed. Service, Pastor Jen is Preaching.

2/24/23 - Pizza & Game Night at Pastor Jen's all ages, RSVP

2/26/23 - Lent Book Group, *The God Who Sees*, at 6pm on zoom. Space still available.

**Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord
Oh, taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord
Of the Lord.**

2. Glorify the Lord at all times. Together let us all praise God's name. I called the Lord who answered me; from all my troubles I was set free.
(Refrain)
3. Worship the Lord, all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is good; in God we need put all our trust.
(Refrain)

Now Behold the Lamb (TFF 128)

1. Now behold the Lamb, the precious Lamb of God.
Bore all my sin, that I may live again:
The precious Lamb of God.
2. Holy is the Lamb, the precious Lamb of God.
Why you love me so, Lord I shall never know;
The precious Lamb of God.
3. Thank you for the Lamb, the precious Lamb of God.
Because of your grace, I can finish the race.
The precious Lamb of God

SENDING

Community Announcements

Blessing*: Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak and help the suffering; honor all people; rejoicing that you are the beloved of God and that you live in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Dismissal:

May God's peace be with you 'til we meet again (2x)
'Til we reach that distant shore, where we shed a tear no more
May God give you strength to endure
'Til we meet again (2x)

Kids in Worship: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God!

*This far by faith, pg 90, adapted