PRAY THE PSALM OF THE WEEK  Psalm 77:18, 84:1-2, 4, 10-11
The lightnings lit | up the world:*
 the earth trem: | bled and shook.
How lovely is Your tabernacle, O | Lord of hosts!*  
My soul longs, yes, even faints for the courts | of the Lord. 
Blessed are those who dwell | in Your house:*  
they will still be | praising You. 
Behold, O | God our shield,*  
and look upon the face of You’re A- | nointed 
For the Lord God is a | sun and shield:*  
the Lord will give grace and | glory.

BLESS YOURSELF WITH THE HOLY CROSS AND SAY:
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

SAY THE 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.

PRAY 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.

PRAY THE MORNING OR EVENING PRAYER
Morning. I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger: and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Evening. I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands, I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

“Lord, now you are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word.”

READ THE SCRIPTURE AND DEVOTION (OTHER SIDE OF THE PAGE)

PRAY THE PRAYER OF THE WEEK
O God, who in the glorious transfiguration of Your only-begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of the fathers and who, in the voice that came from the bright cloud, did in a wonderful manner foreshow the adoption of sons, mercifully make us co-heirs with the King of His glory and bring us to the enjoyment of our inheritance in heaven: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

SING OR SAY THE HYMN OF THE WEEK How Lovely Shines the Morning Star
TLH 343, LSB 395
Philipp Nicolai

1. How lovely shines the Morning Star! 
The nations see and hail afar  
The light in Judah shining.  
Thou David’s Son of Jacob’s race,  
My Bridegroom and my King of Grace,  
For Thee my heart is pining.  
Lowly, Holy,  
Great and glorious, Thou victorious  
Prince of graces,  
Filling all the heavenly places.

5. Thou, mighty Father, in Thy Son  
Didst love me ere Thou hadst begun  
This ancient world’s foundation.  
Thy Son hath made a friend of me,  
And when in spirit Him I see,  
I joy in tribulation.  
What bliss Is this!  
He that liveth To me giveth  
Life forever;  
Nothing me from Him can sever.  

God Manifested in the Transfiguration of Jesus”
THEME OF THE WEEK:  God Manifested in the Transfiguration of Jesus

The Transfiguration leaves us with the temptation to look for our own mountain. We want something special. Instead, God gives us words, water, bread, and wine to sustain us. It seems like a letdown until you realize the apostles had to go back down the mountain and watch their Lord die. His mercy flows out of the weakness of the cross, not out of the strength of the experience. His mercy is delivered not in rare moments of wonder, but daily and richly that we would sustain us ever as children of God. You were born here. You belong.

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