

**SAINT JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
SANKT JOHANNES GEMEINDE
ÉGLISE LUTHÉRIENNE ST-JEAN**

VERKLÄRUNG DES HERRN

11. FEBRUAR 2024

**TRANSFIGURATION OF
OUR LORD**

FEBRUARY 11, 2024



PASTOR: Katherine Gohm

INTERIM ORGANIST: Esther-Ruth Teel

We acknowledge that St. John's Lutheran Church is situated on unceded Indigenous land that was never surrendered by treaty or agreement. We recognize that the Kanien'keha:ka (commonly known as the Mohawk), a nation of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy (commonly known as Iroquois), are the custodians of Tiohtia:ke (the Island of Montreal), which is a traditional meeting place between peoples including the Anishinaabe (commonly known as Algonquin), Abenaki and the Huron-Wendat. As a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) and in agreement with its official policies, our church is committed to participating in an ongoing process of finding truth and reconciliation.

ORGELVORSPIEL

Esther-Ruth Teel

ORGAN PRELUDE

EINGANG

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

GATHERING

Der Heilige Geist ruft uns als Volk Gottes zusammen.

WILKOMMEN

WELCOME

EINGANGSLIED

OPENING HYMN

Schönster Herr Jesu EG 403

- 1) Schönster Herr Jesus, Herrscher aller Enden/Herren, Gottes und Marien Sohn:
Dich will ich lieben, Dich will ich ehren, Du meiner Seele Freud und Wonn!
- 2) Schön sind die Felder, schön sind die Wälder in der schönen Frühlingszeit;
Jesus ist schöner, Jesus ist reiner, der unser traurig Herz erfreut.
- 3) Schön leucht die Sonne, schön leucht der Monde und die Sternlein allzumal.
Jesus leucht schöner, Jesus leucht reiner als alle Engel im Himmelsaal.
- 4) Schön sind die Blumen, schön sind die Menschen in der frischen Jugendzeit;
sie müssen sterben, müssen verderben, doch Jesus lebt in Ewigkeit.
- 5) Alle die Schönheit Himmels und der Erden ist verfasst in Dir allein.
Nichts soll mir werden lieber auf Erden als Du, der schönste Jesus mein.

BEGRÜßUNG

GREETING

ELW p. 156

Die Gnade unseres Herrn Jesus Christus und die Liebe Gottes
und die Gemeinschaft des Heiligen Geistes, sei mit euch allen.

Und mit Deinem Geist.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

LOBGESANG

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW p.159



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace to earth be
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's
 3 To you a - lone, O God, we cry, the Ho - ly One we



giv - en! Let an - gels sing, let all re - ply; good -
 au - thor, O Lamb of God, your death a - lone takes
 name you; for you a - lone are God most high, one



will breaks forth from heav - en! Lord God Al - might - y,
 sin a - way for - ev - er. Stretch out your arms to
 liv - ing God we claim you: we wor - ship you, Lord



heav - en's king, we wor - ship you, our thanks we sing, we
 ev - 'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, re -
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it ev - er blest, in



praise you for your glo - ry.
 ceive our prayer; have mer - cy.
 God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. A - - men.

KOLLEKTENGEBET

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Laßt uns beten.

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Allmächtiger Gott, das strahlende Licht deiner Wahrheit leuchtet vom Berggipfel in unsere Herzen. Verwandle uns durch deinen geliebten Sohn und erleuchte die Welt mit deinem Bild, durch Jesus Christus, unseren Retter und Herrn, der mit dir und dem Heiligen Geist lebt und regiert, ein Gott, jetzt und in Ewigkeit. **Amen.**

Please sit.

DAS WORT

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Gott spricht zu uns durch Schriftlesung, Predigt und Gesang

ERSTE LESUNG

FIRST LESSON

2 Könige 2, 1-12 / 2 Kings 2:1-12

A reading from 2 Kings.

¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. ³The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

⁴Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. ⁵The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

⁶Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.”

¹⁰He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

PSALM

Psalm 50:1-6

¹The mighty one, God the ¹LORD, has spoken;
 calling the earth from the rising of the sun ¹ to its setting.
²**Out of Zion, perfect ¹ in its beauty,**
God shines ¹ forth in glory.
³Our God will come and will ¹ not keep silence;
 with a consuming flame before, and round about a ¹ raging storm.
⁴**God calls the heavens and the earth ¹ from above**
to witness the judgment ¹ of the people.
⁵“Gather before me my ¹ loyal followers,
 those who have made a covenant with me and sealed ¹ it with sacrifice.”
⁶**The heavens declare the rightness ¹ of God’s cause,**
for it is God ¹ who is judge.

ZWEITE LESUNG

SECOND LESSON

2 Korinther 4, 3-6 / 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

A reading from 2 Corinthians *auf Deutsch*.


³Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL-AKKLAMATION


GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.160



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

HEILIGES EVANGELIUM

HOLY GOSPEL

Markus 9, 2-9 / Mark 9:2-9

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

PREDIGT

SERMON

Pastor Katherine

Please stand.

PREDIGTLIED

HYMN OF THE DAY

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ELW 834



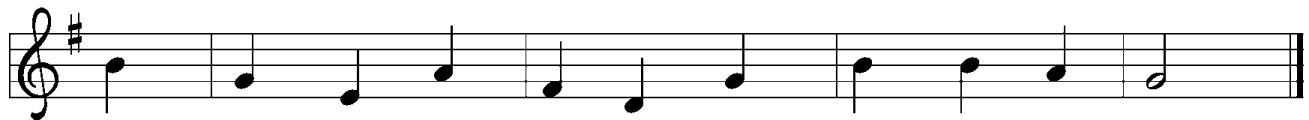
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt.
 Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional

Please remain standing, p. 105.

**APOSTOLISCHES
 GLAUBENSBEKENNTNIS**

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

FÜRBITTENGEBET

PRAYERS

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

We pray for the church, that the transformational power of God enters the hearts of all people. May its leaders serve as examples of your grace and healing across time and space. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for the creation, that we will humbly observe the swirl of wind and the heat of the bright sun. Teach us to honor all you have made and to care for the animals, plants, air, and bodies of water of this planet. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those charged with leadership, lawmaking, and governance of towns, cities, and countries, that they will strive for goodness and justice all the days of their lives and callings. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for any who are sick and suffering, especially... Guide us to offer hospitality, shelter, friendship, and care to any in need. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

We pray for this congregation and its ministry in the wider community. May we share the transforming beauty and love of God in ways that honor the dignity of all whom we encounter. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Trusting that all the saints, prophets, and those who die in faith are held in your care, we remember in thanksgiving those who have died. Grant us your gift of salvation as we await your coming again in glory. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

FRIEDENSGRUß

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. Der Friede des Herrn sei mit euch allen.
And also with you. Und mit deinem Geist.

Share a gesture of peace with one another as you are comfortable.

ABENDMAHL

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Gott nährt uns mit der Gegenwart von Jesus Christus

DANKOPFER

OFFERING

Ways to give an offering are at the end of this worship guide.

DANKOPFERGEBET

OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Holy One,
for all good things come from you.

In bread and cup you open heaven to us.

Meet us at this table,
that we receive what we seek
and follow your Son, Jesus,
in whose name we pray.

Amen.

GROßES DANKGEBET

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

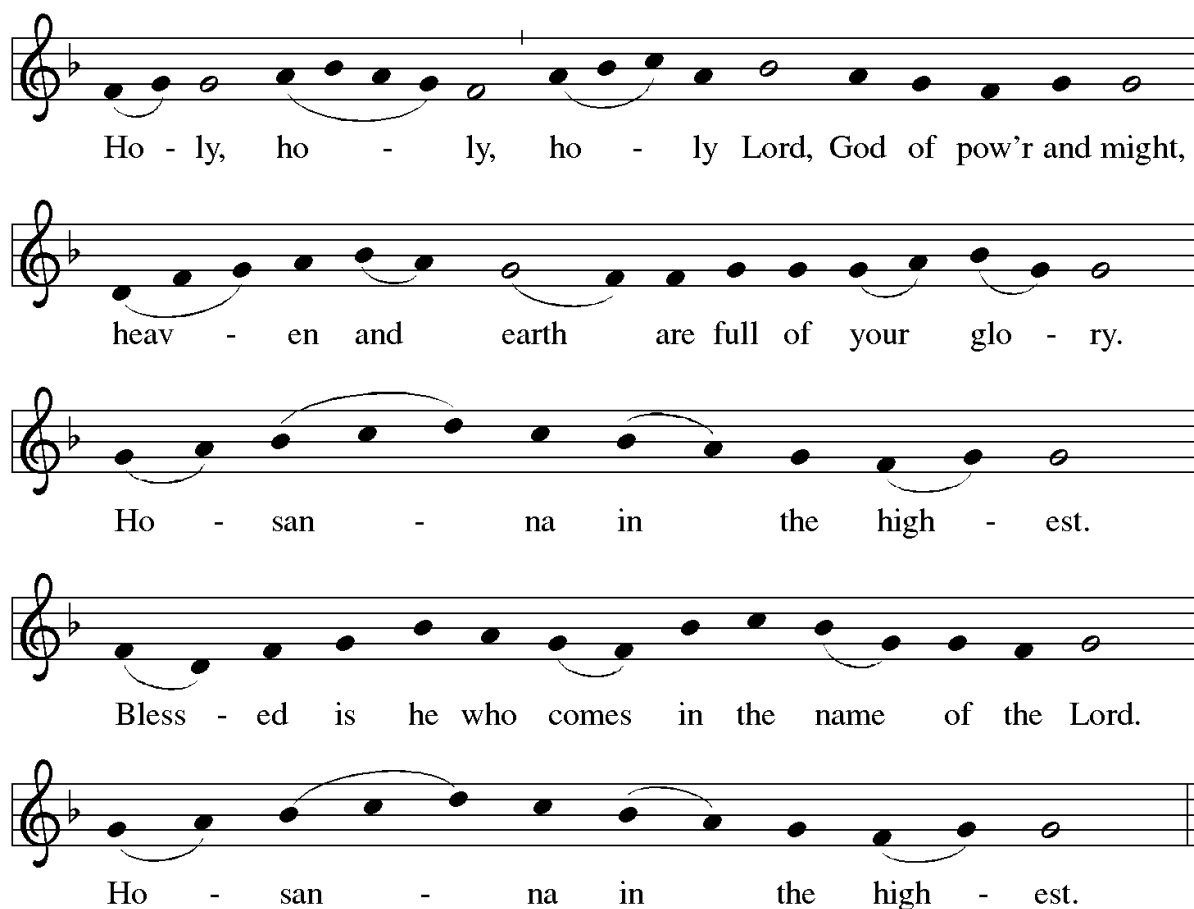
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love,
that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

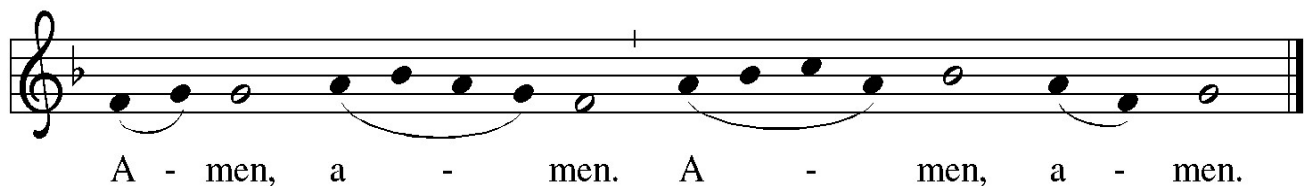
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever.



Please stand.

DAS VATERUNSER

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Vater unser im Himmel,
Geheiligt werde dein Name.
Dein Reich komme.
Dein Wille geschehe,
wie im Himmel,
so auf Erden.
Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute.
Und vergib uns unsere Schuld,
Wie auch wir vergeben unsern
Schuldigern.
Und führe uns nicht in Versuchung,
sondern erlöse uns von dem
Bösen.
Denn dein ist das Reich und die
Kraft
und die Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit.
Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

COMMUNION

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.
Come and see.

Lamb of God p. 164

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. A - men.

Please sit during the time of Communion. To receive the elements, please come up the left-hand aisle to the altar and return to your seat on the right. Grape juice is available in pre-poured individual cups.

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

MUSIK WÄHREND DER
AUSTEILUNG

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Esther-Ruth Teel

Please stand.

DANKGEBET

PRAYER OF THANKS

Let us pray.
Giver of every gift,
Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.

Raise us to life by your power
for the benefit of all and to your glory,
now and forever.

Amen.

AUSGANG

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Gott segnet uns und sendet uns im Auftrag in die Welt

Please stand.

SEGEN

BLESSING

God who names you,
Christ who claims you,
and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,
✠ bless you and remain with you always.

Amen.

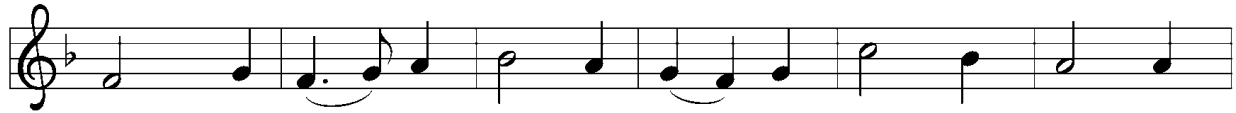
Gott, der dir einen Namen gibt,
Christus, der dich beansprucht,
und der Heilige Geist, der in dir wohnt,
✠ segne dich und bleibe immer bei dir.

Amen.

SCHLUßLIED

CLOSING SONG

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling ELW 631



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

ENTLASSUNG

DISMISSAL

Geh in Frieden. Du bist von Gott geliebt. Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

Gott sei Dank. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDIUM

POSTLUDE

Thank you for worshipping with us!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

- **Brunch with the Food Bank!** Join us for a mardi gras style pancake brunch with our neighbours. Suggested donation \$5.
- **Singing the Psalms** During the season of Lent, we will be starting a practice of singing the psalms. If you are interested in singing as a cantor, or just want a primer on how to sing the psalms, stay after the service next week, February 18, for a little psalm workshop with Esther-Ruth. No experience necessary, this will be informal and beginner friendly.

NEXT WEEK: February 18, First Sunday in Lent, English worship at 11am.

Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday Feb 14, 7pm: Ash Wednesday Service**
- **Feb 18: First Sunday in Lent, English, 11am**
- **Wednesdays in Lent:** Lenten Devotions: Contemplative Worship & Reflection during each Wednesday in Lent from 7pm-8:30 pm.
- **Feb 25: Second Sunday in Lent, German/English, 11am**
- **March 24: Palm Sunday, German/English, 11am**
 - Annual General Meeting following the service
- **Friday March 29: Good Friday**
- **Saturday March 30: Easter Vigil**
- **Sunday March 31: Easter Sunday**

Pastor Katherine is available for you! pastor@SaintJohnsLutheranMontreal.org **Regular office hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am-2pm.**

We are thankful for your donations! Donations in person are welcome as well as:

- Cheque, payable to St John's Lutheran
- CanadaHelps www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119180826RR0001-st-johns-lutheran-church/
- Interac transfer: secretary@saintjohnslutheranmontreal.org

3594, rue Jeanne-Mance Montréal QC H2X 2K3
514-844-6297

www.saintjohnslutheranmontreal.org

St Johns is a member of the Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) www.elcic.ca. Music and Liturgy from sundaysandseasons.com. Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Select music from the Evangelisches Gesangbuch, 1994. Used with permission.