INVOCATION
L: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.
G: Amen

PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 148
A: Forever let us sing the goodness of the Lord.
L: Praise the LORD from the heavens,
G: praise him in the heights above.
L: Praise him, all his angels,
G: praise him, all his heavenly hosts.
L: Praise him, sun and moon,
G: praise him, all you shining stars.
L: Praise the LORD from the earth,
G: lightning and hail, stormy winds that do his bidding,
L: you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars,
G: wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds,
L: kings of the earth and all rulers on earth,
G: young men and maidens, old men and children.
L: Let them praise the name of the LORD,
G: for his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.
A: Forever let us sing the goodness of the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
L: Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may behold by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed into his likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

READING & MEDITATION see next page
PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER
A: 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.

VERSE OF THE DAY
A: A voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him.” (Mark 9:7b)

BENEDICTION
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
A: Amen
READING AND MEDITATION:

Last Sunday after the Epiphany—The Transfiguration of Our Lord: Jesus is revealed as the Lord of glory.

As you study this week, seek to find the connecting theme in all the lessons by using Luther’s Four Big Barber Questions to ponder and discuss each individual reading:

1. What is God saying to me in this lesson?
2. For what does this lesson lead me to give thanks?
3. What sins does this lesson lead me to confess?
4. For what does this lesson lead me to pray?

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 9:28-36

Once again Jesus is revealed as the Lord’s Anointed. Basking in the divine glory that has been his from eternity, the Son of Man is proclaimed to be God the Son with the approval of God the Father. We stand with Moses and Elijah, the disciples, and saints throughout the ages in this sure and certain hope: the Christ has come and our salvation is at hand.

My takeaways:

SECOND LESSON: 2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-6

The glory of the Old Covenant of Sinai fades, giving way to the New Covenant as seen in the unending glory of Jesus Christ. But it is a hidden glory, veiled from the self-righteous unbelievers of this age. In his grace, God has caused the light of his glory to be seen by hearts of faith in the face of Christ.

My takeaways:

FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 34:29-35

The radiant glory of the Lord could be seen reflected in the face of Moses. With hearts veiled by the shame of sin, the people of Israel could not look upon Moses’ face. The stark contrast between the Lord’s glory and our own darkened countenances reminds us of our guilt yet foretells of the glory that awaits us through the Lord’s Anointed.

My takeaways:

What major theme(s) connect(s) all the lessons?

SUPPLEMENTAL SECOND LESSON: 2 CORINTHIANS 3:12—4:2

The old Covenant is removed as the New Covenant is established in Christ Jesus. Through the power of the Spirit, the glory of the New Covenant is ours, reflected in lives lived to the glory of the Lord.

My takeaways: