

# Transfiguration of Our Lord

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Memorial Lutheran Church | Nevada, Iowa

*Today we welcome Lutheran Lakeside Camp Executive Director Brittney Swanson. Brittney will be sharing a sermon and information about the happenings at Lutheran Lakeside. We also thank Jody Melcher and Jeff Seyller for serving as our lay leaders this morning.*

**Prelude:** “Rondo Jubilee” - Brenda Austin

*Memorial Handbells*

## Welcome

## Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
who makes all things new,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy One, source of our renewal,  
we confess that we are wrapped up in sin,  
and cannot free ourselves.  
We have not practiced your righteousness.  
Our hearts have turned away from you.  
For the sake of the world you so love,  
forgive us,  
that we may be reconciled to one another  
for the glory of your holy name.

**Amen.**

Thus says our God:

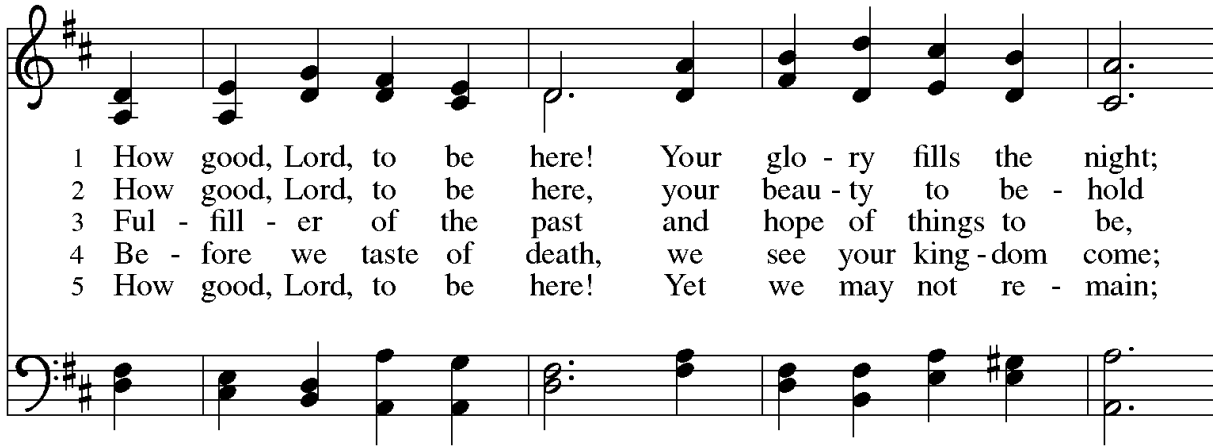
“The former things have come to pass  
and new things I now declare.”

God’s mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

## Gathering Hymn: "How Good Lord to Be Here" ELW #315



1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;  
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold  
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,  
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;  
5 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.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt.  
Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, *The Church Psalter and Hymn Book*, 1854

## Prayer of the Day

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

Lector: *Charlie Lloyd*

<sup>12</sup>The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." <sup>13</sup>So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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 people of Israel. <sup>18</sup>Moses

entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The Word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 99

*All sing refrain; Carol Vincent sings verses*

### Refrain

Pro - claim the great - ness of the LORD;  
wor - ship up - on God's ho - ly hill.

Psalm 99:9

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- <sup>1</sup>The Lord is king; let the people tremble.  
The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- <sup>2</sup>The Lord, great in Zion,  
is high above all peoples.
- <sup>3</sup>Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;  
God is the Holy One.
- <sup>4</sup>O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

### REFRAIN

- <sup>5</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and fall down before God's footstool;  
God is the Holy One.
- <sup>6</sup>Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your name, O Lord,  
they called upon you, and you answered them,
- <sup>7</sup>you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;  
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.
- <sup>8</sup>O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;  
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- <sup>9</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship upon God's holy hill;  
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

### REFRAIN

## Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Lector: Charlie Lloyd

<sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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." <sup>18</sup>We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

<sup>19</sup>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. <sup>20</sup>First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup>because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The Word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

All sing, including Proper Verse

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

Proper Verse

*Repeat alleluia*

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

## Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:1-9

The Gospel according to Matthew  
**Glory to You, O Lord**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>3</sup>Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>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." <sup>5</sup>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!" <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup>And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

<sup>9</sup>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

*Brittney Swanson, Lutheran Lakeside Camp Executive Director*

### Hymn of the Day: "Jesus on the Mountain Peak" HS #818

1 Je - sus on the moun - tain peak      Stands a - lone in  
2 Trem - bling at His feet we saw      Mo - ses and E -  
3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came:      God pro - claim - ing  
4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son!      Law and proph - ets

glo - ry blaz - ing;      Let us, if we dare to speak,  
li - jah speak - ing.      All the proph - ets and the law  
in its thun - der      Je - sus as the Son by name!  
sing be - fore Him,      First and last and on - ly One.

Join the saints and an - gels prais - ing.  
Shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing.  
Na - tions, cry a - loud in won - der:  
All cre - a - tion shall a - dore Him!

Al - le - lu - ia!

*This translation is text by contemporary English poet Bruce Wain is here united with a new tune written especially for this supplement by Theodore Beck, long-time professor at Concordia University, Seward, Nebraska.*

## **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 power of 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**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*Response:*

*P: "Merciful God,*

*C: receive our prayer"*

## **Sharing of the Peace**

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

## **Offering**

**Music Voluntary:** *"My Spirits Gonna Shine"* - Dan Edwards

*Memorial Handbells*

## **Thanksgiving for the Word**

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

**Amen.**

# 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.

## Congregational Hymn: "Beautiful Savior" ELW #838

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!  
robed in the flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
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!

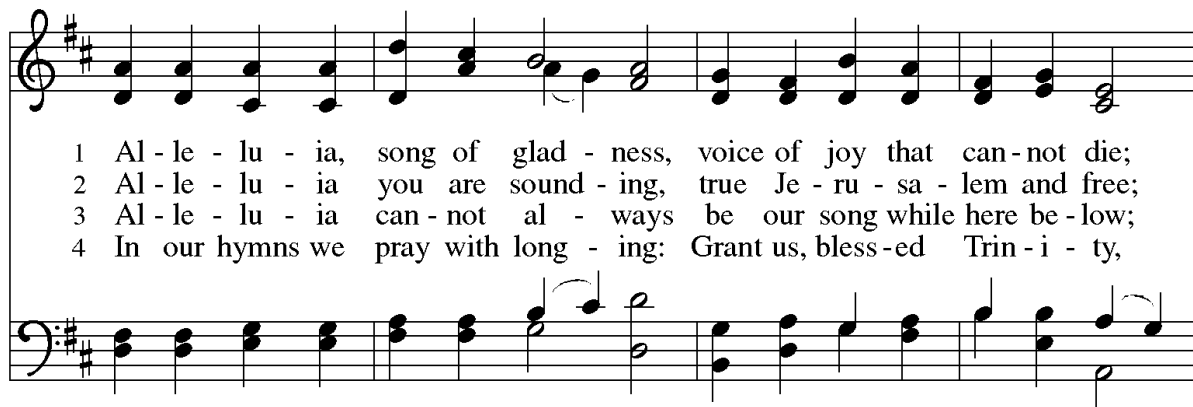
Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904  
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

## Announcements

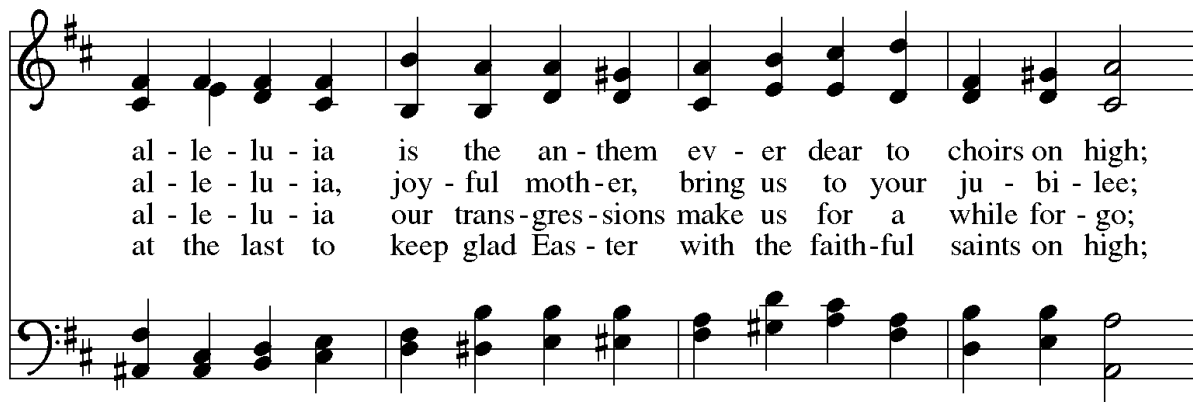
### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

## Sending Hymn: "Alleluia, Song of Gladness" ELW #318



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



al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choirs on high;  
al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju - bi - lee;  
al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions make us for a while for - go;  
at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith - ful saints on high;



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

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

**Postlude:** "Alleluia, Song of Gladness" - David Cherwien

Lois Theesfield, organ

## Prayers for Healing

If you have a prayer request, please email [pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org](mailto:pastorkathleen@mlcnevada.org) or [emily@mlcnevada.org](mailto:emily@mlcnevada.org), or call the church office at 515-382-6509.

*Prayers for Betty Runge and family following the death of her husband, Leo Runge*

*Prayers for Judy and Kip Farthing following the death of their son, Wade Farthing*

*Prayers for Susan Radke and family following the death of her husband, Jerry Radke*

*Prayers for Betty Davis, Dan Bappe, and Shari Dobson  
following the death of their brother Larry Bappe*

*Prayers for the family of Rev. Don Rothweiler following his death*

*Prayers for Teresa Krebs and family and friends  
following the death of Teresa's husband, Kim Krebs*

Marsha Kane	Annette Dalthorp	Norma Dannan
Pr. Marcia Kisner	Ellie Lynch	<i>friend of Betty Runge</i>
Marlene Waddell	Ernie Ruhde	Michael Neal
<i>friend of Virginia Palmisano- Goettsch</i>	Sierra Parr	Jami Tharp
	<i>cousin of Kim Stieler</i>	Fred Samuelson
Sandy Muesburger	Janet Jacques	Larry Christian
<i>friend of Virginia Palmisano- Goettsch</i>	Easton Farrington	Jaylee Bartleson
John Bass	Janice Hartz	Sheila Collingwood
<i>son-in-law of Ron &amp; Gloria Jacobson</i>	Jim Dalthorp	<i>mother of Lyndsey De Vos</i>
	Connie Krupp	Judy Coverdale
Denise Rehor	Randy Matthews	Family and friends of
Carol Vincent	<i>friend of Mike Coverdale</i>	+James Stephens
Cassie Harrell	Jackie Byers	George Forsyth
Jean Smith	<i>daughter of Shellie Black</i>	Janeen Driscoll
Ken Borwick	Donna See	Lynn Harris
Maddie Dunham	Katie Brockmeier	Julie Sutherland
Judy Johnson	<i>granddaughter-in-law of Ruth Brockmeier</i>	Jan Cook

## Announcements

### **Ash Wednesday Service**

As we prepare to enter the time of Lent, our Ash Wednesday service will be held this Wednesday, February 22nd at 7:00pm.

### **Snow Tubing Participants: Seven Oaks Waivers Needed**

Snow tubing is coming up this Friday, February 24th. For those snow tubing, **we'll need waivers signed prior to the 24th**. Please see Emily this morning or during the week to sign these. Thank you!

### **MLC Camping Committee Looking for Members**

Memorial campers / planners: we need you! As we gear up for Memorial's 2nd annual camping outing this Spring, we are forming a "Camping Committee" to plan activities and logistics. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 28th at 5:30 PM in the Lounge.

### **Join us for National Quilting Day on March 18th**

Quilters (or aspiring quilters!): you're invited to a day of assembling quilts to be donated to Lutheran World Relief. Not comfortable with a sewing machine? No problem! We need help with all steps of quilt making: counting blocks, layering quilts, and tying quilts. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00 - 2:00 on Saturday, March 18th. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Bring a friend!

### **Now Accepting Lawn Care Proposals**

It's hard to imagine, but Spring will be here before we know it and Memorial is now accepting lawn care proposals from companies and individuals. If you or someone you know are interested, please contact the church office.



### **Online Giving with Tithe.ly**

Thank you for joining us for worship today! If you would like to support our ministries, online gifts can be made using <http://tithe.ly/give> or by scanning the QR code.

### **Do you get our newsletters and other email notices?**

Make sure you email [emily@mlcnevada.org](mailto:emily@mlcnevada.org) to sign up to receive communications online. If you believe you are already on our list and are not receiving emails, please check your spam or "promotions" inboxes.

## *Save the Date*

### **Ash Wednesday Service**

**When:** Wednesday, February 22nd, 7:00pm

### **Snow Tubing with Memorial**

*Join us for a fun night of snow tubing at Seven Oaks Recreation in Boone*

**When:** Friday, February 24th; **Reservations are closed, but families may still buy full-price tickets (\$16) directly through Seven Oaks if space is available**

### **Church Potluck**

*Gather in the Fellowship Hall for a mid-morning potluck—bring your favorite dish to share! Donations will benefit ELCA World Hunger.*

**When:** Sunday, February 26th following worship

### **Beer & Theology**

**When:** Thursday, March 2nd, 6:30pm

**Where:** Old Chicago (Ames)

### **LWR Quilt Workshop (National Quilting Day)**

*All are invited to help assemble quilts for Lutheran World Relief on National Quilting Day!*

**When:** Saturday, March 18th, 9:00 - 2:00

### **Camping Committee Meeting**

*Help us plan activities and logistics for our upcoming camping outing*

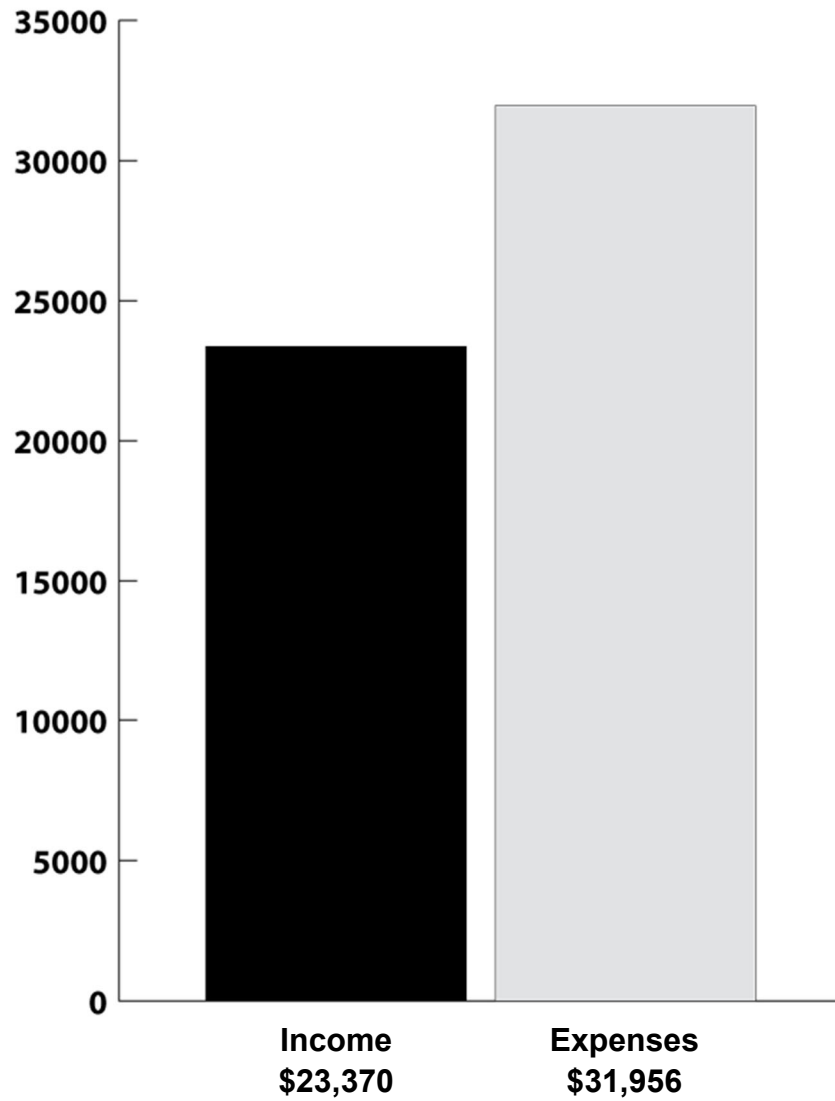
**When:** Tuesday, March 28th, 5:30pm

### **Celebration for Ewan Peter Lotz**

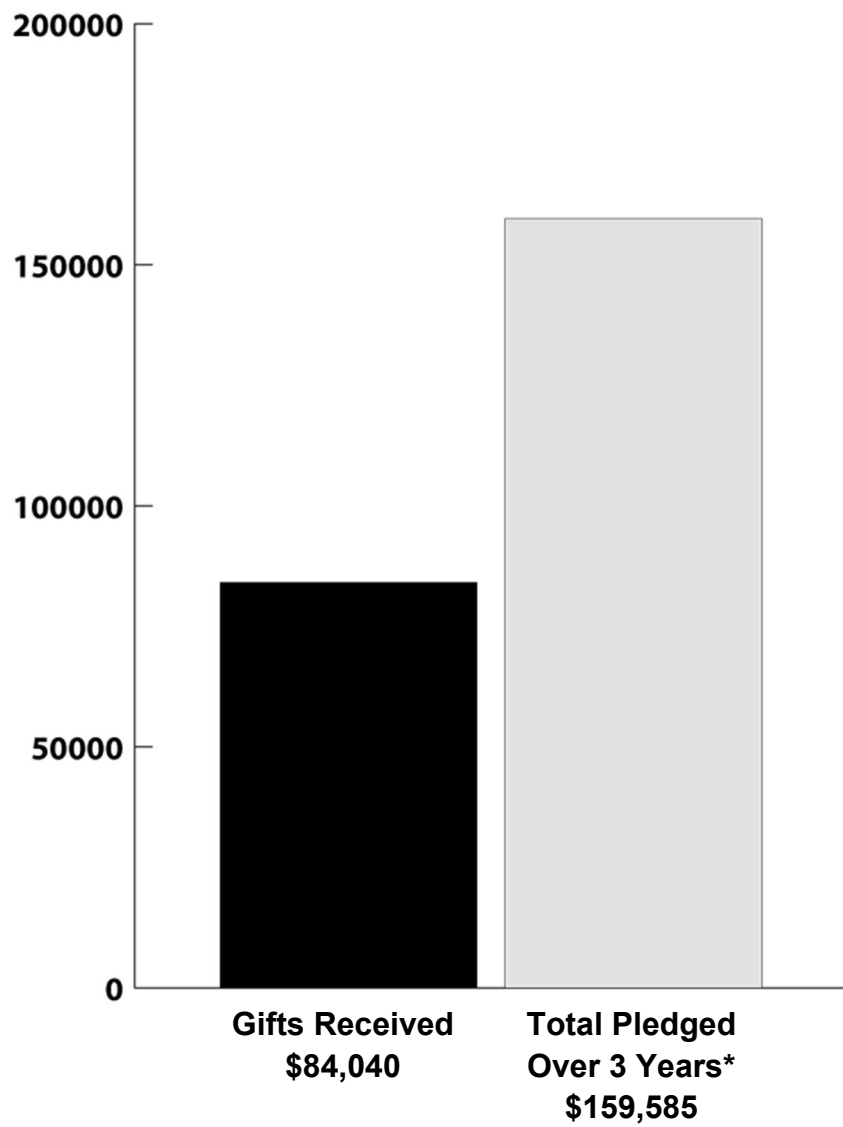
We will be celebrating the arrival of Ewan Peter Lotz (born January 5th) in the near future. Please stay tuned as we finalize details!



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