



The Transfiguration of Our Lord
St. John's Lutheran Church
 Red Bud, Illinois
 February 19, 2023 10:30 a.m.



PRELUDE: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" arr. by Mark Knickelbein

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

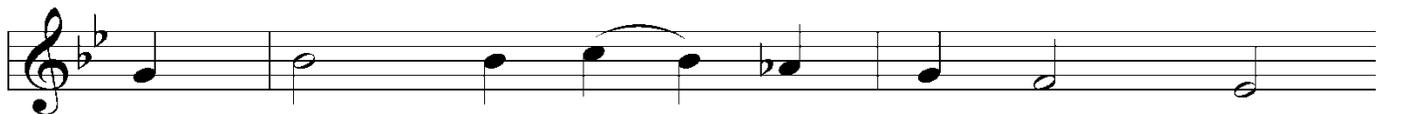
OPENING SONG: 413 "O Wondrous Type!" (*stand for last stanza, "A-men."*)



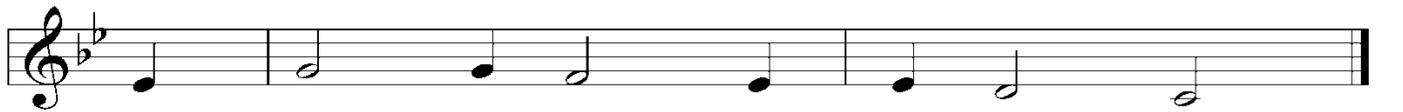
1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah high
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high
 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son



Of glo - ry that the Church may share,
 The in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;
 Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
 By this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,
 And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one,



Which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
 And from the cloud the Ho - ly One
 What glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
 For which in joy - ful strains we raise
 We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace



Where bright - er than the sun He glows!
 Bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.
 Who joy in God with per - fect love.
 The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 To see Thy glo - ry face to face.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and examination by God's Word.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

INTROIT: Psalm 99

Exalt the LORD our God, worship at His holy mountain; **the LORD our God is holy!**

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! **He sits enthroned; let the earth quake!**

The LORD is great in Zion; **He is exalted over all the peoples.**

Let them praise Your awesome name! **Holy is He!**

The King in His might loves justice. **You have executed justice in Jacob.**

Exalt the LORD; worship at His footstool! **Holy is He!**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

Exalt the LORD our God, worship at His holy mountain; **the LORD our God is holy!**

(please be seated) **SONG OF PRAISE: 415 "Jesus on the Mountain Peak"**



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!
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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you. **C:** And also with you. **P:** Let us pray. **C:** **O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness 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.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Exodus 24:8-18

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.” Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under His feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And He did not lay His hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to Me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them.” Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. 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. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL

Ps. 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all nations! **Extol Him, all peoples!**

For great is His steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

bring an offering and come into His courts!

THE EPISTLE READING:

2nd 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 were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with Him on the holy mountain. And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(please stand if able) **ALLELUIA and VERSE: “Hallelujah! Praise Ye the Lord”**

Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!

Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!

Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah!

Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord! Text: Public domain

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 17:1-9

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17th chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And after six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James, and John his brother, 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 white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him. And Peter said to Jesus,

“Lord, it is good that we are here. If You wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him.” When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. (*please be seated*)

SONG OF THE DAY: 416 “Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory”



- 1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo-ry, Heav-en's voice, the daz-zling light;
- 2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la-tion, They shall gain and keep its truth,
- 3 Lord, trans - fig - ure our per-ception With the pur - est light that shines,



Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish; Christ a - lone com - mands the height!
 Not by build - ing on the moun - tain An - y shrine or sa - cred booth,
 And re - cast our life's in - ten - tions To the shape of Your de - signs,



Pe - ter, James, and John fall si - lent, Turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise
 But by fol - low - ing the Sav - ior Through the val - ley to the cross
 Till we seek no oth - er glo - ry Than what lies past Cal - v'ry's hill



Down - ward toward the shad - owed val - ley Where their Lord has fixed His eyes.
 And by test - ing faith's re - sil - ience Through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.
 And our liv - ing and our dy - ing And our ris - ing by Your will.

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SERMON: “We Have Seen and Heard” 2nd Peter 1:16-21

- I. We Live in a Dark Place
- II. God’s Light Shines on Us with the Coming of Jesus
- III. God Gives Us a More Certain Word of Prophecy

(please stand if you are able) **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

(Each petition ends “Lord, in Your mercy” and we respond, “hear our prayer.”)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Arlin Winkelman, June Lawrence, Viola Muench, Darlene Lohman, Stanley Langrehr, Elroy Stellhorn, Ruth Hecht, Rick Horrell, Sherry Winkelmann, Rhonda Schaefer, Susie Harms, Marcy Watters, Zac Carnahan, Ashlynn Crafton, Grayson Herriman; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Susan Sochowski, Ava Kern, Jim Arrington, Gary Hollmann, Delores Stirnaman, Jan Kaaz, Alfred (AJ) Guebert. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Ethan Summers, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss; Navy- Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure, Austin Grohmann; National Guard: Jeremiah Brandt

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+those suffering: earthquake in Turkey/Syria and war in Ukraine

OFFERTORY: “We Are An Offering”

We lift our voic-es. We lift our hands.

We lift our lives up to You. We are an of-fer-ing.

Lord, use our voic-es. Lord, use our hands. Lord, use our lives, they are Yours.

We are an of-fer-ing. We are an of-fer-ing.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**PREFACE:**

P The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. **C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS: *(tune: “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”)*

**Lift up your eyes once more to see How Je-sus will on Eas-ter be:
Ris-en Sav-ior, Bright with glo-ry. When life leads in-to val-leys dark,
Re-call this moun-tain, as the spark. Love of Je-sus, al-ways glow-ing
Al-le-lu-ia, Christ is show-ing Us His glo-ry.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER AND THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PAX DOMINI: **P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C:** **Amen.**

THE AGNUS DEI: “The Lamb” (LSB 547)

**The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa-ther where’s the sac-ri-fice?
Faith sees, be-lieves God will pro-vide the Lamb of price!
Wor-thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reign-ing on His throne!**

(Lord Jesus, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; so that Your body and Your blood may be for me a strengthening of my faith, a proof of my forgiveness, a closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

537 "Beautiful Savior"



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



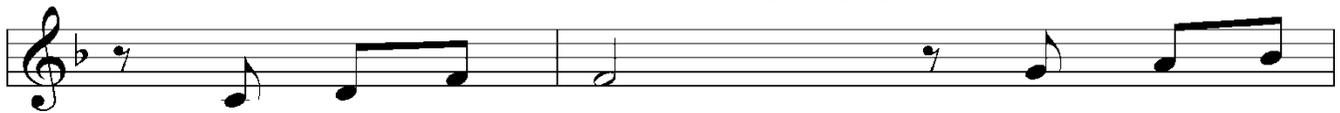
God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd
 flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is
 spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines
 God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



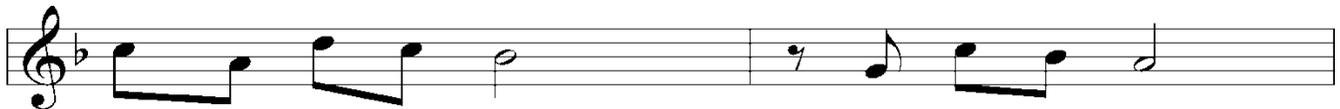
serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.
 pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.
 ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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629 "What Is This Bread?"



1 What is this bread? Christ's bod - y
 2 What is this wine? The blood of
 3 So who am I, That I should
 4 Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By
 5 Is this for me? I am for -



ris - en from the dead: This bread we break,
 Je - sus shed for mine; The cup of grace
 live and He should die Un - der the rod?
 Word and prom - ise clear, In mouth and soul
 giv - en and set free! I do be - lieve



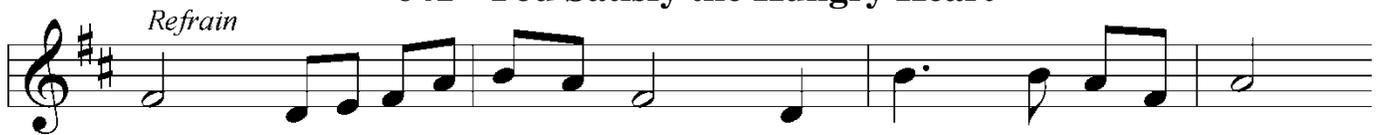
This life we take, Was crushed to pay for our re -
 Brings His em - brace Of life and love un - til I
 My God, my God, Why have You not for - sak - en
 He makes us whole— Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this
 That I re - ceive His ver - y bod - y and His



lease.	O taste and see—	the Lord is peace.
sing!	O taste and see—	the Lord is King.
me?	O taste and see—	the Lord is free.
meal.	O taste and see—	the Lord is real.
blood.	O taste and see—	the Lord is good.

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641 “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”



You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.



1 As	when the	shep -	herd	calls	his	sheep,	They	know	and
2 With	joy -	ful	lips	we	sing	to	You	Our	praise
3 Is	not	the	cup	we	bless	and	share	The	blood
4 The	mys -	t'ry	of	Your	pres -	ence,	Lord,	No	mor -
5 You	give	Your -	self	to	us,	O	Lord;	Then	self -
									less



heed	his	voice;	So	when	You	call	Your
grat -	i -	tude	That	You	should	count	us
Christ	out -	poured?	Do	not	one	cup,	one
tongue	can	tell:	Whom	all	the	world	can -
let	us	be,	To	serve	each	oth -	er



fam -	'ly,	Lord,	We	fol -	low	and	re -	joice.
wor -	thy,	Lord,	To	share	this	heav'n -	ly	food.
loaf,	de -	clare	Our	one -	ness	in	the	Lord?
not	con -	tain	Comes	in	our	hearts	to	dwell.
in	Your	name	In	truth	and	char -	i -	ty.

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(please stand if you are able)

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: *(tune: “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”)*

**So sing to God, the Fa-ther true; To Christ, His Son, our Sav-ior, too:
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! And to the Spir-it, Whom we praise:
Great Tri-une God through all our days:
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT and BENEDECTION:

P: Let us pray: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

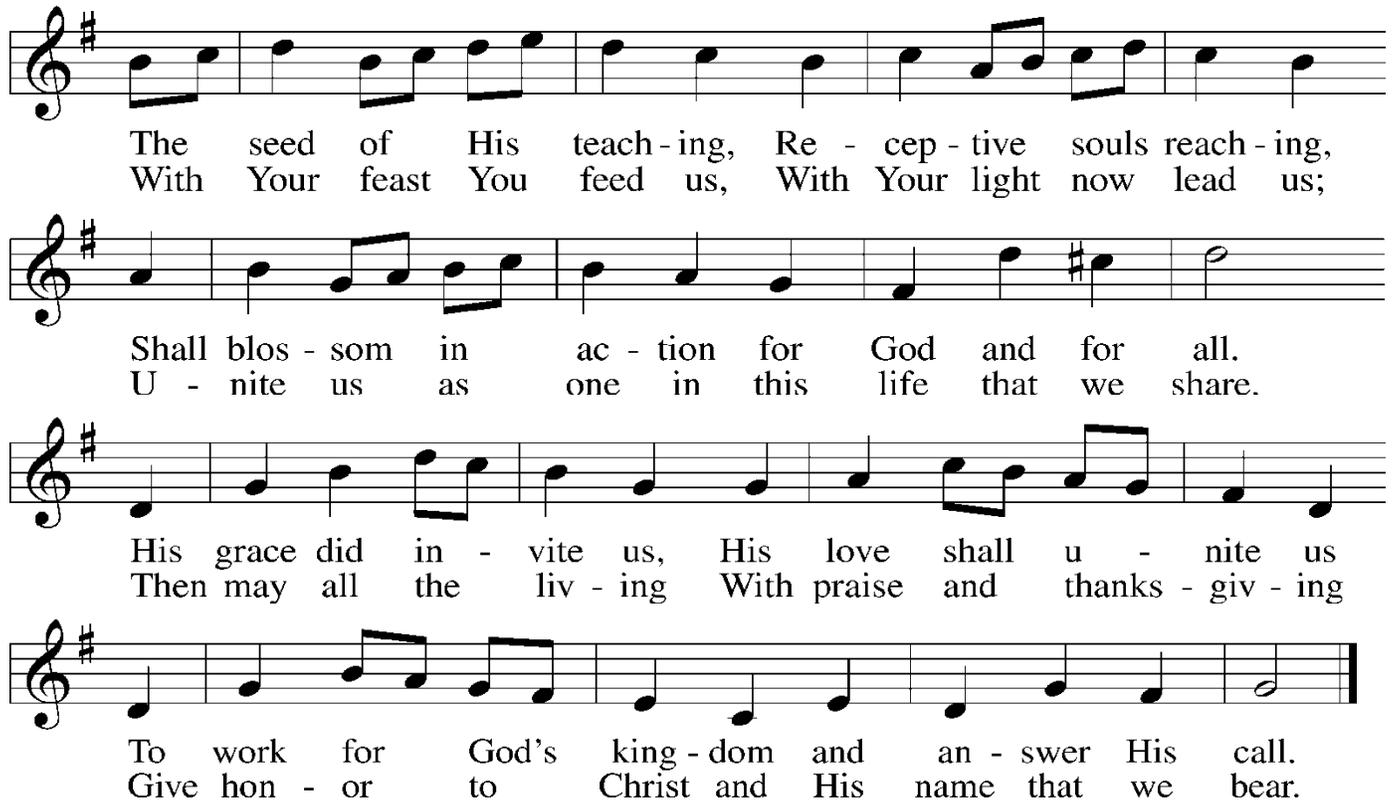
CLOSING SONG: 643 “Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,
2 With praise and thanks-giv-ing To God ev-er-liv-ing,

The peo-ple of God from His dwell-ing take leave.
The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.

The Sup-er is end-ed, O now be ex-tend-ed
Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,

The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.
Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.



The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.
U-nite us as one in this life that we share.
His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us
Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks-giv-ing
To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.
Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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THE POSTLUDE: "March"

by Michael Larkin

Instrumentalists: Lindsey and Jonathan Hudak, Brandon Nehrt, and John Kellerhouse

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This Week With Our Lord, February 19-26, 2023

SUNDAY, February 19-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible Classes and Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion (Alternative)

Monday, February 20- No School; Presidents' Day

7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting in the school library

7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school music room

Tuesday, February 21- Sports picture day at school

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Girls' Volleyball at Coulterville

7:00 p.m. Evening Guild gathering in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 22- Ash Wednesday; Lent begins!

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion service at church

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

3:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting

3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation at school

5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Holy Communion service at church

Thursday, February 23-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)

1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

6:00 p.m. Girls' Volleyball at Prairie du Rocher

Friday, February 24- Volleyball tourneys- A @ Chester; C here

8:30 a.m. Lower Grades Chapel service in the new gym

Saturday, February 25- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte:

SUNDAY, February 26- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte: Clare Carnahan

9:30 a.m. Adult/Youth Bible classes and Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte: Karleigh Liefer

5:00 p.m. Sonshine Visitation team meets in the Fellowship Hall

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Table Manners"

Speaker Dr. Michael Zeigler says that frequent family dinners are important, but none more so than the gracious meal to which God invites His family, the Church (Exodus 24:11). Listen on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM.

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join together in the grace of giving. 2/12- General: \$20,018; School: \$685; Automatic Giving: \$5,465. *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.* (2nd Corinthians 9:7)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 412; Communion: 120; Adult/Youth: 33; Sunday School: 44

And let us consider how to stir one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb. 10:24-25)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Matthew 17:8 – "And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only." Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets this Sunday with a focus on the book of 1st John in the New Testament from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall (refreshments provided).

WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASSES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Wednesday Women meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday's class on 1st Chronicles meets at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday's class on Matthew meets at 7:15 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast next meets on Saturday, March 4 to study "Proverbs: God's Ancient Wisdom for Our Modern Living."

ASH WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION services are this Wednesday the 22nd at 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. The theme for this year's services are "Seven Songs That Say I'm Sorry: The Penitential Psalms." A Lenten Supper of chicken noodle soup and salad will be served in the Fellowship Hall starting at 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

Nursery: Demi Grohmann, Nolan Kassing, Benjamin Langrehr, Alayna Moll; Pre-K: Case Uffelmann; Kindergarten: Carter Mehring, Hayden Schlimme, Addy Moll, Jettson Grohmann; 1st Grade: Elaina Uffelmann; 2nd Grade: Amelia Langrehr, Liam Langrehr, Liza Wagner, Avery Moll; 4th Grade: Lucy Kuehn, Lauren Mehring, Jackson Neff, Holden Wagner; 7th Grade: Sydney Kassing, Norah Wagner. Thank you for your participation in and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

2023 PTL DINNER AUCTION:

The 13th annual PTL Dinner Auction will be held on Saturday, March 18 at the Hecker Community Center. This year's theme is "March Madness." Donations and/or reservation forms can be dropped off in the school office at any time. Thank you in advance for your support of this fundraiser!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

2/20- Jay Sitzes, Daniel Meier, Kaleb Matzenbacher, Nick Mehner; 2/21- Pat Wagner, Adam Wild; 2/22- Darla Cowell, Sarah Wetzel; 2/23- Doug Sachtleben, Jennifer Falkenhain; 2/24- Charles Hartmann, Diana Becker, Scott Brown, Ava Kiefer, 2/25- Daniel Liefer, Brandon Mayberry, Ryan Stamm, Jordan Schneider, Megan (Mrs. Tyler) Henry, Amelia Guebert, Brynlee Liefer. *Please call our office with corrections!*

BABY BOTTLE COINS FOR LIFE NETWORK:

We are collecting the baby bottles to support the work of our local Life Network. Our first tote of baby bottles full of coins has been delivered! There still is a tote in the entryway where you can deposit your full baby bottles. Thank you for your participation in this project!

WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

When inclement weather hits and we are considering not having school, please consult local news stations and look for Red Bud Community District #132, look for a message on our School Facebook Group, or get a text from our School Message System "Remind". Facebook St. John's Lutheran Church/School, Red Bud, IL; Remind Text this number 81010 this message @8243ad2

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT THIS YEAR:

Our international mission project is Bible Books for Families in Ukraine through Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Only \$5 provides a Ukrainian family with a Bible storybook, Small Catechism, or other Bible resource in their language! To support this project, direct your offering to the attention of the Sunday School.

SCHOOL CLASS FUNDRAISERS:

+Class of 2023 (8th grade) is selling TJ's pizzas, cookies and desserts. Orders are due Tuesday to be delivered on March 10. See at 8th grader or call our office.

+Class of 2025 (6th grade) is selling Show Me Dough products (butterbraids, pizzas, cookie dough. Contact a 6th grader.

MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES:

Calling all students, youth, and adults who sing/play an instrument! I am looking for anyone who is interested in using your gifts of music to enhance our weekend worship services by providing pre-service music before the worship services begin. I welcome everyone, from beginner to advanced! If you would like to play/sing in a different part of the service, that can be arranged also. If you are interested, please let me know! *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at dvheller@htc.net or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective (James 5:16).*

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Alice Smith, Jody Winkelmann; Ruma R&R: Fern Schnepel; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace: June Lawrence, Jean Menke; Bria-Columbia: David Burgdorf; Randolph County Nursing Home: Don Kueker

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Kathryn Chunn, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer/Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Paul Schrieber, Arlin/Helen Winkelman, Carl/Flo Zschiegner

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Wil Guebert, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth/Geri Koester, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Edna Moeller, Viola Muench, Harold Thies

ELDER ZONES FOR 2023: (Chairman, Gerald Hanebutt)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Bruce Schneider (618/521-0028)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Larry Gielow (618/830-4689)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann- R/K Herriman- Elder Jeremy Stellhorn (618/910-9205)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Wil Krick (618/282-3660)

Zone 5: Wil/Martha Krick to Janel Maes- Elder Gary Buatte (618/719-5034)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Gerald Hanebutt (618/317-4574)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru Don Schrader- Elder Kalin Liefer (618/792-8277)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Kevin Guebert (618/973-4356)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann - D. Zschiegner- Elder Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2023:

Boxes of offering envelopes for 2023 are on the tables in the Fellowship Hall. If you do not find one for yourself and would like to have one, please contact Leslie in our church office at 282-2394. Thank you!

UPCOMING CONCERT:

Concordia University Irvine (California) Symphony Orchestra will be in concert at Good Shepherd Lutheran, Collinsville, on Saturday, Feb. 25, 3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 26, 6 p.m., at Zion Lutheran Church in Harvester, MO, and Tuesday, Feb. 28, 7:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Kirkwood, MO. Andre and Marie Voges' grandson, Josh Jacobsen, plays in this orchestra. This is a nationally renowned university ensemble which has been featured on PBS. It tours in St. Louis once a decade. This concert will appeal to youth involved in music.

CASEY'S REWARDS:

St. John's is in Cash for Classrooms- When you shop at Casey's using its rewards program you can donate your points to our school. Thank you for this!

LIFE THOUGHTS: (*from Lutherans for Life*) www.lutheransforlife.org

The transfigured Jesus came down the mountain. He did not camp His glory in a comfortable status quo but put it to work accompanying His loved ones into adversity. So let us take hold of this Gospel and invite our neighbors to leave behind the seeming ease of abortion or assisted suicide. And let us find the blessed life Jesus reveals even in surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis.

FINANCIAL NEED FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT:

St. John's member and Red Bud High School senior Ashlynn Crafton has been diagnosed with leukemia. We can provide some financial assistance for her treatments at her GoFundMe account <https://gofund.me/3579ba87> or at an account set up with Buena Vista National Bank Account #272745. Thank you for considering how you can help during this difficult time.

LCMS FOUNDATION:

It is important to involve family in your gifting plan from your estate. It is common for people to support ministry all throughout their lives while never having conversation about the value and purpose of those gifts. If gifts to ministry are planned in your estate plan, include your family in the joy of giving. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help articulate your heart's plan for your family. Contact Scott at Scott.Radden@lfnd.org or (618) 977-4049.

HOMEMADE STOLLENS:

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League of Holy Cross Lutheran in Wartburg is offering homemade Stollens (which freeze well). They are delicious dessert for your Easter breakfast. Call Connie at [618-540-8637](tel:618-540-8637) to place an order. Pick-up dates at Holy Cross school basement are March 6th & 7th from 4 to 6 p.m. The cost is \$10. Proceeds benefit Bi-County Backpack Program and mission projects.

SAVE THE DATE: *Older Adult Retreat*

A Lutheran Older Adult Retreat, "The Lord is My Rock, My Fortress, and My Deliverer," will be held at Pere Marquette Lodge outside of Grafton on April 26-27. Rev. Dr. Greg Seltz of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty will be the keynote speaker. The cost is \$115 plus lodging. Contact Margo Wolf at 618/979-3376 or dmwvette74@gmail.com.

THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC:

The Academy of Music at Christ Our Savior, a new music school in Freeburg, offers private voice and instrument lessons in a warm, Christian environment with seasoned Lutheran instructors. Students of all ages and skill levels are welcome. Twice a month, the Academy offers Mini-Music Makers, an energetic class for preschoolers and their parents or caregivers. Preschoolers sing, play instruments, dance, and learn to love music with an experienced early childhood music teacher. For details about the Academy, call 618-353-3322, email Hannah@TheAcademyofMusic.org, or visit TheAcademyofMusic.org.

PART-TIME POSITION AVAILABLE:

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Freeburg seeks an office secretary, 12 hours per week. Flexible schedule. Call 618-660-6144.

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio-talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Season of Lent, The Hymn "From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee," The Movie "Living," Witnessing to Homosexuals and more. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis or listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL- 618/853-7300

Fish & More Dinner: This year's Fish & More will offer both dine-in and carry-out, Friday March 3, serving from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Our FFA will be holding their "Helping Hands Auction" at 6:30 p.m. Support COS by enjoying a meal, support FFA by bidding on helpers!

Registration for 2023-2024 is open! If you have a student or know someone who is high school age, encourage them to consider COSLHS. Call 618-853-7300 to schedule a tour. A discount on registration fees is offered to those who register before March 31. Download a registration form from our website, www.coslhs.org.

School Hours: The office is open on school days from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education.

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Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Cindy Steele Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

Aides: Nola Jean Vallett, Shawn DeRousse, and Elizabeth Schaefer

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade and Junior Youth – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Bill Becker Athletic Director – Scott Voss

School Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm

Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Megan Diercks, Amy Williams, Nicole Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck,

Brittney Eichholz, Madison Shields, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer,

Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Kailyn Moeller, Madison Falkenhain, Katherine Kelley, Alyssa

Rollins, Stephanie Surman, Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston

Church Council

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse

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Lutheran High School Board: Kathy Valleroy and Rebekah Liefer

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel Organist/Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Lectors: (8 a.m.) Seminarian Lucas Frauenhoff; (10:30 a.m.) DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Colt Hess; (8 a.m.) Eve Schwartzkopf; (10:30 am.) Lilly Meyer

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Ron and Diane Kunkelmann; (8 a.m.) Kalin and Kathy Liefer;

(10:30 a.m.) Ken and Karen Wetzel

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Joan Ruwald

Flower Servers: Diana and Briana Becker Paraments: Carol Turner