

*The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Sharing the Peace.

The Offering

*The Offertory *"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"* p. 86

*Offertory Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for your tender mercies and for all that you have so faithfully provided for us. May our gifts be a sign of our love toward you and our desire to do your holy will. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

*Great Thanksgiving p. 88
"Holy, Holy, Holy" p. 89

*The Lord's Prayer **Grey book #440**

Communion

"Lamb of God" p. 92

Distribution

"Thank the Lord" p. 92

Prayer after Communion

P: We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have fed and refreshed us with this Holy Sacrament. Strengthen us in faith and fervent love toward one another, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, whose body and blood we have humbly received.

C: Amen

*The Blessing

P: Go with the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, and may the Light of God's Word ever shine within your hearts and lives so that his holy name is praised throughout the world.

C: Amen

*SENDING HYMN *"Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"* #259

P: Go in peace. Let your light shine!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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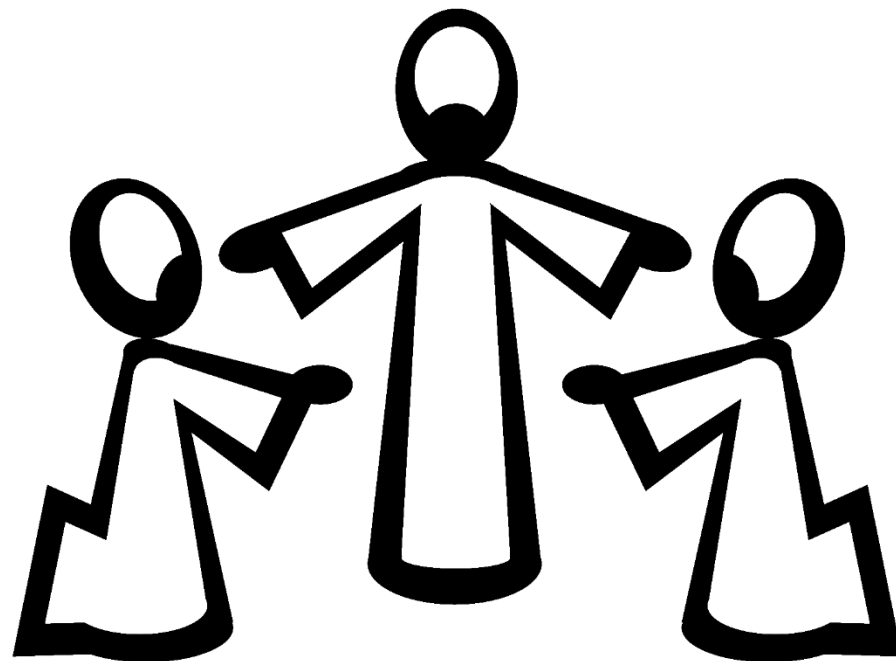
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Transfiguration Sunday February 19, 2023

Mission: To proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to all through worship, education, outreach, and fellowship.

Communion given the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays in February

Please be advised, the service is livestreamed and posted on the internet.

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Transfiguration Sunday February 19, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(*Stand as you are able)

Prelude/Enter joyously to worship the Lord

Welcome and Announcements

*Confession & Forgiveness

P: Arise, shine, your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. We are gathered in this Season of Light to worship God, the Father, the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. (Isaiah 60:1)

C: Amen

P: Let us humble ourselves before the Lord of all, confessing our sins of which we are aware and for those things that grieve Him of which we are unaware.

(Silence for self-reflection and examination)

P: Gracious God who sent the Light of the World into the darkness of our human sin.

C: We come before you asking for your gracious mercy for all the things we have done and left undone. We have lived in darkness rather than seeking your light; we have ignored your call to serve our neighbors; and we have neglected to show our gratitude for all you've done for us. Forgive us, dear Lord. Let the light of Christ shine upon us and restore us to your salvation, that we might live holy lives here and now, and be with you in eternity. Amen.

P: Lift up your eyes all around and see! Your heart shall thrill and exult in the Lord's mercy. The Holy One of Israel, the Lord your God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit forgives you all your sin and grants you salvation in his holy name.

C:Amen

*Opening Hymn "Beautiful Savior" #518

*Greeting

P: May the glorious light of the Son of God shine upon you, the abiding love of the Father fill your hearts, and the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

*The Kyrie p. 78

*Hymn of Praise "This is the Feast" p. 81

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

God of majesty, through Jesus' transfiguration you reveal him as your beloved Son. Keep us faithful in the promise that through the cross and the empty tomb we are joint heirs with Christ and will one day enjoy the fullness of your glory for eternity; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Exodus 24: 8-18

PSALMS

Psalms 2:6-12

SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-21

*Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia"

p. 83

"Glory to you, O Lord"

p. 83

*HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

"Praise to you, O Christ"

p. 83

Children's message

Sunday School performing song

Sermon

Pastor Tony Scalisi

HYMN OF THE DAY "How Firm a Foundation" #507

*The Nicene Creed p. 84

*Prayers

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

The Holy Gospel according to St Matthew the 17th Chapter.

17 After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. **2** There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. **3** Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. **4** Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." **5** While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" **6** When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. **7** But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." **8** When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. **9** As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*~Pastor Tony is available for visitations and prayer requests. ~
Please call or e-mail with your request.*

Transfiguration Sunday

February 19, 2023

The first lesson is from the 24th Chapter of Exodus

8 Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." **9** Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up **10** and saw the God of Israel. Under his feet was something like a pavement made of lapis lazuli, as bright blue as the sky. **11** But God did not raise his hand against these leaders of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank. **12** The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction." **13** Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God. **14** He said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we come back to you. Aaron and Hur are with you, and anyone involved in a dispute can go to them." **15** When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, **16** and the glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the LORD called to Moses from within the cloud. **17** To the Israelites the glory of the LORD looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain. **18** Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Let us pray Psalm 2 (responsively)

⁶ "I have installed my king on Zion, my holy mountain."

⁷ **I will proclaim the LORD's decree: He said to me, "You are my son; today I have become your father.**

⁸ Ask me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.

⁹ **You will break them with a rod of iron; you will dash them to pieces like pottery."**

¹⁰ Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.

¹¹ **Serve the LORD with fear and celebrate his rule with trembling.**

¹² Kiss his son, or he will be angry and your way will lead to your destruction, for his wrath can flare up in a moment. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Amen

God
IS MY
refuge
&
strength

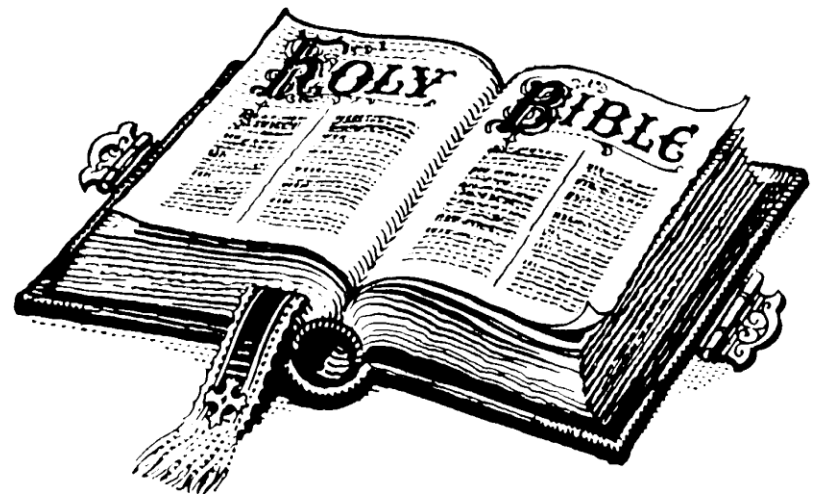
The second lesson is found in the 1st Chapter of 2 Peter

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

¹⁹ We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. ²¹ For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

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Announcements & Activities

West Prairie prayer list:

Jonie Bang, Phyllis Disque, Joyce Greer, Alan Goranson, Brittney Hawke, Dennis Kramer, Ryan Mullins (in the military), Allen Peterson, Jean Peterson, LeAnn Peterson, Roger Peterson, our sister church in the LCMC, St Paul Lutheran Church, Hull, IA, and Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Buffalo Center, IA.

Please let me or Pastor Tony know of any prayer requests you may have. We will gladly list them. Cindy at csarver52@gmail.com or 319-931-3570.

The family of Dennis Norstrud would like to sincerely thank everyone that assisted in any way for his funeral. We are blessed to have a great church family. May God bless all of you.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Leland

Annual Soup Supper

Saturday, **March 4th** – 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm

See flyer on bulletin board for menu.



Shrove Tuesday, February 21st - Join us at the Boman Fine Arts Center in Forest City at 7:00 pm for the Waldorf Jazz Concert featuring the Mason City High School Jazz Band 1 and Les Aldrich saxophone. Dessert reception in mezzanine following the performance.

Today from 7 am to 1 pm

Leland VFW 6161 Pancake Breakfast. Cost \$5



This Week's Activities

Tues., Feb. 21, 2023	7:00 pm	Waldorf Jazz Concert at Boman Fine Arts Center
Wed., Feb. 22, 2023	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service, no meal
Sun., Feb. 26, 2023	8:30 am	Worship with communion, fellowship following
	9:45 am	Sunday school

February/March Volunteers

Fellowship: Feb. 26 — Cindy Sarver
Mar. 5 — Jodi Fjeld and Sharon Holland
Mar. 12 — Colette Reimann

Mar. 19 —

Lector: Cindy Sarver

Usher(s):

Flowers:

Communion Prep/Clean-up: Cindy Sarver

Birthdays: Bill Schutter (2/20), Austin Kirschbaum (2/21), Alan Goranson (2/24)

Baptismal Anniversary: Haley Schutter (2/20), Gabrielle Branstad (2/22)

Note: Bulletin Information can be sent to Cindy by email: csarver52@gmail.com or phone/text-319-931-3570. Entry deadline, Wednesdays by 5:00 pm.