

He was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light.

Matthew 17:2, ESV

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## Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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PRESERVICE PRAYER: Oh Lord, who has caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our edification, grant us Your Holy Spirit that He might open our hearts to reverently hear Your Word, and hearing that we may be brought to a fuller knowledge of your glory revealed in our salvation in Jesus Christ. Grant that we may be invigorated by Your Word to live our lives to the glory of Jesus' name. It is in His name alone that we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (244:1-3)

HYMNS: 359; 135; 719; 344

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 2:6-12 NKIV)

<sup>6</sup> "Yet I have set My King

On My holy hill of Zion."

<sup>7</sup> "I will declare the decree: The Lord has said to Me,

'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.

<sup>8</sup> Ask of Me, and I will give You The nations for Your inheritance.

And the ends of the earth for Your possession.

<sup>9</sup> You shall break them with a rod of iron:

You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel."

<sup>10</sup> Now therefore, be wise, O kings:

Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

<sup>11</sup> Serve the Lord with fear.

And rejoice with trembling.

<sup>12</sup> Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish in the way, When His wrath is kindled but a little.

Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTMANT LESSON: Exodus 24:12, 15-18

With the giving of the law the glory of the Lord was revealed, not only to Moses who was called up onto Mount Sinai, but also to the Children of Israel camped at the base of the mountain. In connection with the law the glory of the Lord is like a consuming fire. Salvation is not in the Law!

# <u>February 23, 2020</u> The Last Sunday after Epiphany <u>THE GOSPEL LESSON:</u> Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus changed! His face shone like the sun! His divine glory was revealed. Also in glory Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus. From the bright cloud came the voice of God declaring Jesus as God's Son. Let us hear Him!

THE SERMON: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Theme: Jesus' Transfiguration Grounds the Theology of the Christian Faith.

I. The Eyewitness Account of Jesus' Divine Majesty

II. The Honor and Glory Jesus Received from God the Father

III. The Prophetic Word Authenticated

#### CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible Class are scheduled to follow the service.

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: ASH WEDNESDAY soup and Sandwich Suppers begin at 6:00 p.m. Meditation (with Holy Communion) begins at 7:00. Our midweek series theme is: *Problems Resolved by the Cross of Christ*.

Please look for the supper signup sheet on the narthex table! Ash Wednesday's text is *1 Corinthians* 1:10-17.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>: Worship with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. Text: Isaiah 53:1-3. Our Sunday Lenten series will be based on Isaiah 53 with the theme: *Our Sacrifice*!

#### FUTURES DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, March 14: We will be hosting the Immanuel College Tour Choir for a 1:00 concert. Mark your calendars for this rare opportunity to hear beautiful anthems of praise to God by the students of Immanuel College, traveling to us from Eau Claire, WI. Also the congregation has authorized a **special offering for the tour choir!** Please consider a gift to help defray their travel expenses. Mark your offering envelope ILC TOUR CHOIR!

#### **SERVING TODAY**

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Kwentin Stearns, Ken Nickson; Arnie Ottjes, JoeUbl

February Cleaning: Hellickson

### **OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:**

Attendance: Feb. 16 worship – 21 Sunday school - 3 no Bible class

Weekly Offerings	\$	Other Offerings:
Needed	1,250.00	_
Offerings Received	\$	
_	1,667.00	
Needed for Year:	\$8,750.00	
Received for Year:	\$6,532.00	

CLC NEWS: Pastor Matthew Hanel, St. Matthew, Dallas, TX has been called by Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN. <> Missionary Peter Evenson has been called by Bethel, Morris, MN.

**CLCI**: (CLC in India) Pastor Jyothi Benjamin has been recovering from Typhoid fever and his mother-in-law (who is over 80 years old) is very sick with bladder cancer. While visiting her, he received a letter of summons to the superintendent of police. He was able to talk to them by phone and explain that he was out of town attending to his mother-in-law and also recovering from his own illness. They gave him 10 days to come to the police station to answer questions. He will be returning to his town and going to the station on Monday. Please pray for this difficult situation and that there would not be any impediment to the work of the kingdom.

**THE 34<sup>th</sup> CONVENTON OF THE CLC** is this summer, June 25-28, Thursday through Sunday In Eau Claire, WI.

#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CLC OFFICERS

Nominations for CLC Officers and Board Members will be received from January 1 through March 31, 2020. Pastors, professors, male teachers, and any voter of a CLC congregation can nominate individuals to fill the four synodical offices: President, Vice-President, Moderator, and Secretary; as well as positions on the four synodical boards: Trustees, Missions, Regents, and Education & Publications. Click on this link: https://www.clclutheran.net/nominate/

<u>CLC Midwest Women's Retreat</u> March 20-22 at the new retreat location in Amery, Wisconsin. This year the theme is: *You Are Designed. You Are Loved. You Are Sent.* We will be

studying how God designed us as His children, with the unique gifts and how we can use those gifts to glorify Him. Find online registration link and other information:

https://christianwomensretreat.weebly.com/spring-midwest-retreat.html. The cost is \$150 per person which includes lodging and all meals.

Lodging preferences are on a first come first served basis, join us for a weekend of fellowship and growing in the study of God's Word! If you have any questions, please contact Erin Radichel or Sarah Radichel at clcmidwestwomensretreat@gmail.com.