

The Transfiguration of Our Lord February 19, 2023 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM



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#### As We Gather

Please take time to fill out the fellowship pad located near the center aisle in your pew. If you have any prayer requests, feel free to use a prayer request card from the pew rack in front of you, and place it in the offering plate after the sermon. (For those joining us online, please contact the church office.) We will include these requests in our prayers during worship and share them with our prayer chain (if desired).

#### **Holy Communion**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

 $For \ further \ study, \ see \ Matthew \ 5:23f.; \ 10:32f.; \ 18:15-35; \ 26:26-29; \ 1 \ Cor. \ 11:17-34.$ 

#### **Welcome and Opening Prayer**





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#### Divine Service Setting One, page 151

+ Confession and Absolution +

Confession, to confess to God our sins and sinful nature. Absolution, "To absolve of sin and wrongdoing," more specifically, to affirm God's forgiveness to all who sincerely confess their sins to Him.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

**Invocation**Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

**Exhortation** 1 John 1:8–9 151

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- 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 on God's Word and for self-examination. Consider: Have you loved God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength? Have you loved your neighbor as yourself?

Confession of Sins LSB 151

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

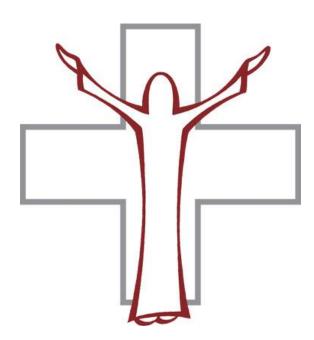
**Absolution** [John 20:19–23] LSB 151

- 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 99:1-5; antiphon: v. 9

- P Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;
- for the LORD our God is holy!
- P The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!
- C He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
- P The LORD is great in Zion;
- **C** he is exalted over all the peoples.
- P Let them praise your great and awesome name!
- C Holy is he!
- **P** The King in his might loves justice.
- You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
- **P** Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool!
- 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.
- **P** Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;
- for the LORD our God is holy!



**Kyrie** Mark 10:47 152

A Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy!" A brief prayer not only imploring God's mercy but rejoicing in it through Jesus Christ.

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.







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#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

"Salutation" is a word from Latin meaning, "to greet." "Collect" (KAH-lekt), a brief structured prayer, usually consisting of five parts: address to God, basis for the prayer, petition, desired benefit or result, and trinitarian conclusion. The Collect of the Day also "collects" the message of the day's Gospel reading.

**P** The Lord be with you.



#### P Let us pray.

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.



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#### **Old Testament Reading**

Exodus 24:8-18

A The Old Testament Reading is from Exodus, chapter 24.

<sup>8</sup>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."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

<sup>12</sup>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." <sup>13</sup>So Moses rose with his assistant

Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>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."

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>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. <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. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle 2 Peter 1:16–21

A The Epistle is from 2 Peter, chapter 1.

<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 were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>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," <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>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, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>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.

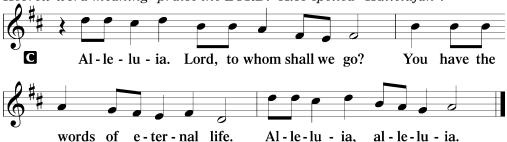
- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Alleluia and Verse

Hebrew word meaning "praise the LORD." Also spelled "Hallelujah".



Holy Gospel Matthew 17:1–9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.



¹After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. ³And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴And 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." ⁵He 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." ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. ⁶But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." ⁶And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>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.



#### Nicene Creed

Creed comes from the Latin "credo" which means "I believe." We confess our Christian faith in one of the three creeds (short statement of belief) agreed upon by the ancient church.

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.

#### Children's Message

Matthew 19:14; Mark 13:13-15; Luke 18:16

Children are invited to join Amanda Adams, our Director of Christian Education, at the front of the sanctuary for the Children's Message.



### Sermon



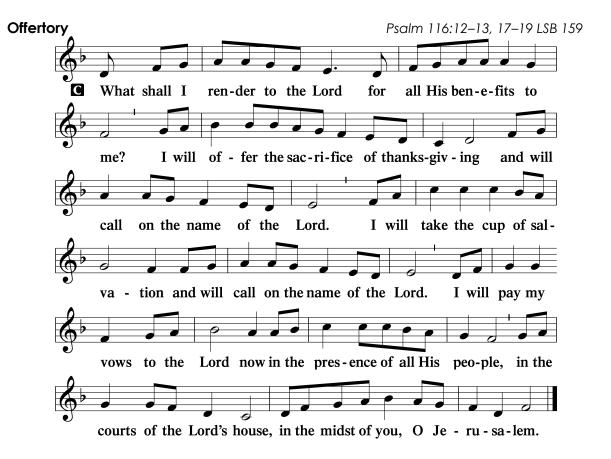
#### Offering

If you brought your gift, tithe, or offering with you today, you may place it in the offering plate as it passes. We also have multiple options for electronic giving. You can sign up for online giving through Vanco at bit.ly/GivingChristLCMS for a one-time or recurring gift. You may also download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app and search for Christ Lutheran Church in Topeka, KS. Direct links and additional information are available on the church website (christlcms.org/giving).



For those joining us remotely, you may use the electronic giving methods listed above, or you may mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611).

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1 Timothy 2:1-4

At the end of each petition, the pastor will say, "Lord, in Your mercy," to which the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer."

- ...through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### Service of the Sacrament

#### Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



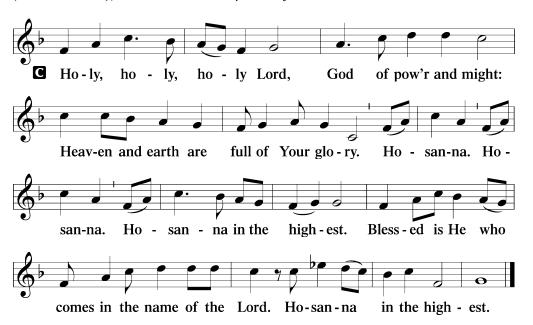
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



## Proper Preface (Full)

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:

(SAHNK-toose), "Sanctus" is Latin for "holy".



#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.



- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
  - 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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini John 20:19 163

(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).

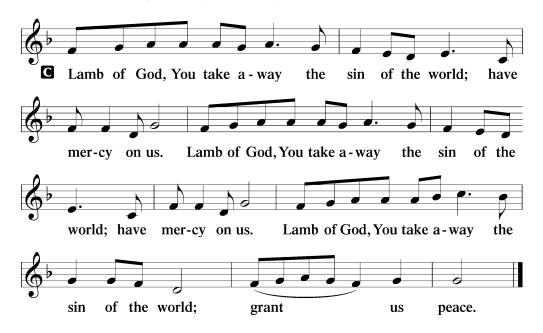
**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Agnus Dei John 1:29 LSB 163

(AHG-noose DAY-ee). Latin for "Lamb of God."



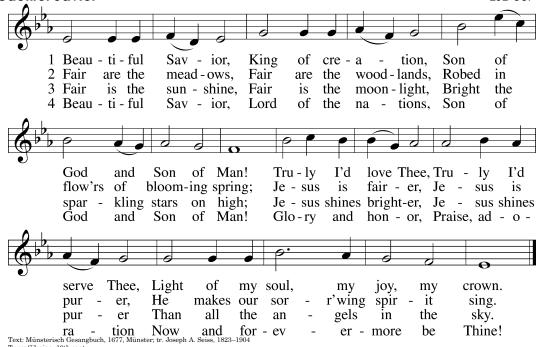
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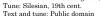
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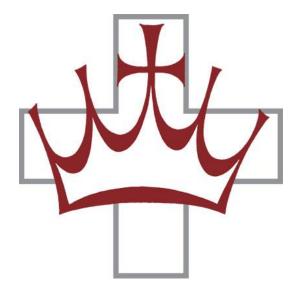
The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. Then they will distribute it to those who cannot come up to the altar rail due to physical ailments. Following that the ushers will dismiss the people from their pews to go to the altar rail. The congregation will be ushered down the middle aisle to go up to the rail and when dismissed from there will use the side aisle to return to their seats. All are invited up to receive a blessing.



537 Beautiful Savior LSB 537

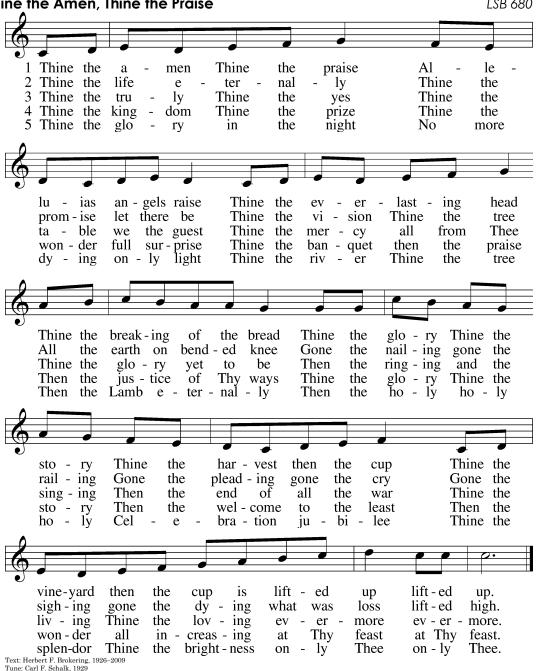








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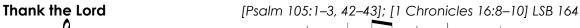
And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine. For - got - ten in un-thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es 'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain. He that re-deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

- He fills the poor with good;
   He gives the suffrers rest.
   The Lord hath judgments for the proud
   And justice for th'oppressed.
- 6 His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known, But sent the world His truth and grace By His belovèd Son.

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Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia

#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### **Luther's Morning Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

**Benediction** Numbers 6:24–26 166

A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.

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.



Sit



## -- Week at a Glance --

Sunday February 19th		Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (children & adults)
Monday February 20th		Richard Passow Funeral Visitation Richard Passow Funeral Service
Tuesday February 21st		
Wednesday February 22nd	5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Confirmation Communion Class Lent Meal Ash Wednesday Worship Service Choir
Thursday February 23rd	•	Chair Aerobics Pastor's Bible Study
Friday February 24th		
Saturday February 25th		TLS Kindergarten Step-Up Day Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
Sunday February 26th	9:00 am 9:15 am 4:00 pm 5:15 pm	Worship Service w/ Communion (TLS Sunday)  Muffins for Missions Bake Sale  Sunday School (children & adults)  Jr. Youth (4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grades)  Youth Group (7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grades)  College/Young Adult Group (ages 18-25)  1st Quarter Bible Reading Challenge Prizes Available

#### **Celebrating**

**Birthdays:** Darrell P. (19<sup>th</sup>); Phil B. (20<sup>th</sup>); Kaelyn B., Carlie G., Dick H. (22<sup>nd</sup>); Matt N. (23<sup>rd</sup>); Jonathan D. (24<sup>th</sup>); Viginia C., Brandon G., Becky R. (25<sup>th</sup>); Kendall T. (26<sup>th</sup>) **Baptism Birthdays:** Celestine K. (19<sup>th</sup>); Charles H. (20<sup>th</sup>); Mathew H., Robert H. (21<sup>st</sup>);

Teresa H., Christina W. (24th); Jennifer M. (25th)

Anniversaries: David & Pauline C. (21st); Ron & Nancy G. (24th)

## -- Announcements --

#### Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Romans (with Pastor Ben) – Schemm Family Life Center (Gym) God's Word for Today: 1, 2, & 3 John (Small Group) – Basement Meeting Room A Walk Through the Bible (Women's Group) – Meeting Room near Gym

#### Children/Youth Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Children (Pre-K through  $6^{th}$  grade) — Upstairs Education Wing Youth ( $7^{th}$ - $12^{th}$  grades) — Basement Youth Room

#### Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

The Book of Daniel – Thursdays at 7 PM – Basement (This class does NOT meet on the first Thursday of each month.)

#### Lent

Beginning on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 22), join us on Wednesdays for a Lent Meal at 6 PM and our Lent Midweek Worship service at 7 PM. Free devotion books are available at the back of the sanctuary, courtesy of Lutheran Hour Ministries.

#### District Ash Wednesday Offering

The annual Kansas District Ash Wednesday Offering supports scholarships for future church workers and education loan repayment grants for active church workers. Last year, we were able to award over \$80,000 in scholarships and repayment grants, with nearly \$28,000 of which was raised in the Ash Wednesday Offering. On behalf of our grateful recipients, THANK YOU!

You can participate in this year's offering by sending a gift directly to the district. Contribute online (kslcms.org/donate) or send a check (LCMS Kansas District, 1000 SW 10th Ave., Topeka, KS, 66604) with the designation, "Ash Wednesday Offering."

#### **Muffins for Missions Bake Sale**

Mark your calendar – our Muffins for Missions bake sale will be the morning of Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Our goal this year is to raise \$1000 for Lifeline Pregnancy Center here in Topeka. (At last year's bake sale, we raised nearly \$700 – so this isn't an impossible number!) If we meet that goal, we will also receive \$1000 in matching funds from the Kansas District LCMS Office, and then we can apply to match that \$2000 through the Synod's Life Grant – making a potential grand total of \$4000 for Lifeline! Sign up to bring baked goods on the bulletin board in the coffee lobby.

## -- Announcements --

#### **Bible Reading Challenge**

We're almost through the first quarter of our Bible Reading Challenge! Are you on track to finish the entire Bible in one year? Beginning on Sunday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, those who are up to date on their reading may bring the Q1 completion slip (from the back page of your reading calendar) to church to redeem for your first quarterly prize – a free scoop from Culver's Frozen Custard!

#### **Harvesters**

Harvesters had an abundance of volunteers signed up for Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> (our original date), so we are now volunteering on **Tuesday**, **February 28<sup>th</sup>** from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Please RSVP to Amanda if you would like to join us!

#### **LWML**

Our monthly LWML meeting time is changing! Beginning in March, our meeting will now be at 2 PM (instead of 7 PM) on the second Tuesday of the month.

#### **Marriage Banns**

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, Darrell Pufahl and Julie Pufahl desire to enter the holy estate of matrimony according to the Lord's Word during our 8:00 AM worship service that morning. They desire our prayers so that they may begin their marriage in God's name and with His blessing. May God grant them His blessing.

#### TLS Kindergarten Step-Up Day

If you have child entering kindergarten in Fall 2023, join us for Step-Up Day at Topeka Lutheran School on Saturday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>. Contact the TLS office to sign up. A generous donor has waived enrollment fees for those who commit before Apr. 15<sup>th</sup>!

#### **TLS Sunday**

On February 26<sup>th</sup>, Topeka Lutheran School students who are members here at Christ, plus some of their classmates who are not members at one of the TLS association churches, will be singing for us during our worship services. TLS teachers will also be in attendance. Thank you for your continued support of Topeka Lutheran School!

#### **TLS Basketball Tournament**

Thank you to all who participated in or came out to support the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Topeka Lutheran School Basketball Tournament on Friday and Saturday this past week. Go Wildcats!

## -- Announcements --

#### Remembered in our Prayers

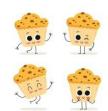
Charlie P., Luke H., Don L., Jerry M., Jean (Pauline C.'s sister), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Melanie (Sharon L.'s daughter), Ella (Marsha S.'s granddaughter), Vikki N., Matt N., Virginia C., Evelyn (mother of Sandy S.), Ted M., Garry N., Mark (Carol J.'s friend), Wayne B., David (Sondra K.'s son), Kim (friend of the Micheels), Dick H., Penny (Marty K.'s coworker's wife), Betty H., Burnell M., Dorothy (Wayne K.'s sister-in-law), Nick (Hannah M.'s cousin), Chris G., Sharon H., Lila N., Mike (Shawn H.'s friend), Darleen C., Kendra M., Brandon B., Dennis L., and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, Chelsea Irwin and missionaries around the world. We pray especially for those around the world being persecuted for their faith in the one, true God and the suffering they endure. Please continue to pray for Pastor Ben, DCE Amanda, our staff and their families as they do our Lord's work here at Christ Lutheran. We pray for the staff and students of Topeka Lutheran School and the Jr. Wildcats. We also pray for those who serve in the armed forces, first responders, and for our country and government. Prayers of thanksgiving for our Lord and Savior and the new life we have in Him.

Christ Lutheran Church - Board of Evangelism

# Muffins for Missions



Bake Sale



Sunday, February 26th

#### God Manifests His Glory in the Body of Christ Jesus, Transfigured for Us by His Cross

The Transfiguration confirms "the prophetic word ... to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place" (2 Peter 1:19). The divine glory of Jesus is manifested in the word of His apostles, who were "eyewitnesses of his majesty" (2 Peter 1:16). "He was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun" (Matt. 17:2). Moses and Elijah witnessed the fulfillment of the Old Testament in this Lord Jesus, and the Father testified concerning Him: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Matt. 17:5). By His own blood, shed on the cross, Jesus makes and seals the new covenant with us. Hence, "the appearance of the glory of the LORD" is no longer "like a devouring fire" (Ex. 24:17), but it is graciously revealed in His own body. As "Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel" went up the mountain with Moses and "beheld God, and ate and drank" (Ex. 24:9, 11), we also behold the Lord our God in Christ Jesus, and we abide with Him as we eat and drink His body and blood at the altar.

#### Worship Attendance - Sunday, Feb. 12th

8:00 AM -- 78 10:30 AM -- 76

## **Stewardship Corner**

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,945
Offerings Received – Week of 2/12	\$ 7,593
Budgeted Needs (January 2023)	\$ 44,725
Offerings Received (January 2023)	\$ 32,168

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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.

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