

Trinity's Weekly Connection

Sunday, February 11, 2024 — Transfiguration of Our Lord

This Week at Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday, February 11

Clean Start Appeal continues
Sponsor the Synod Gathering Fund continues
Traditional Worship, 8 a.m.
Rejoice Worship (Rejoice band), 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Live Streaming of Worship, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.
Children's Ministry Event, 10:30 a.m.
Traditional Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Stephen Ministry Continuing Education, 12:30 p.m.
Stephen Ministry Peer Group Support, 1:30 p.m.
Middle School Youth Group, 2 p.m.
Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.
High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, February 12

The Messenger Deadline
Stroller Barre, 9 a.m.
Adult Education Forum with Pastor Dennis, 10:30 a.m.
Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 6 p.m.
Beyond Belief Band Rehearsal, 6 p.m.
Congregation Council Meeting, 6 p.m.
Adult Education Forum with Pastor Dennis, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 13

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, 9:30 p.m.
LWR Quilters, 9:30 a.m.
Odyssey of the Mind, 6 p.m.
Fit4Baby, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday
Fitness Class, 10 a.m.
Ash Wednesday Worship, 4 p.m.
Ash Wednesday Worship, 7 p.m.
Trinity Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.

Thursday, February 15

Volunteer at In The Image, 1 p.m.
Bridge, 1 p.m.
Resound Bell Rehearsal 6 p.m.
Choosing Peace and Serenity AFG, 7 p.m.

Friday, February 16

Friday Morning Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, February 18

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Traditional Worship, 8 a.m.
Rejoice Worship (Beyond Belief band), 9:15 a.m.
Lenten Grace Group, 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Live Streaming of Worship, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.
Lenten Grace Group (with Childcare), 10:30 a.m.
Traditional Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Fifth Grade Communion Class, 2 p.m.
Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.

Assisting in Worship This Morning

8 a.m.

Sacristans: Cathy Olson
Lector: Marcia Schaner
Communion Assistants: Betty Hall, Kim Brock
Ushers: Dale Barkema, Elaine Rongey
Gloria Vonderheide
Acolytes: TBD

9:15 a.m.

Rejoice band leading worship
Sacristan: Ruth Ann Evans
Lector: Pam Burkle
Communion Assistants: Jamie Kuntzman, Eric Larson
Ushers: Jeff Postlewaite, Dave & Carrie Boer,
Mark Hagbom & Sally Mahoney, Mark Baker
Acolytes: Daniel Ahrens, Sydney Waite

10:45 a.m.

Cantor: John Fox
Sacristan: Kristi Flatt
Lector: Bryan Bredwell
Communion Assistants: Chris & Joanna Kutschinski
Ushers: Jim & Sue Coates, John Derbin, Don Kishman,
Tom Mannisto, Jamie Norris, Wayne Snyder
Acolytes: TBD

Bread Baker: Julie Williams

Trinity Members in Our Prayers

We pray for **Trinity members in times of illness, hospitalization, rehabilitation and recovery**: Sue Bailey, Lisa Barkema, Don Barsema, David Benkert, Krysta Billock, Bev Block, Ken Block, Sue Boyse, Pat Bruin, Dan Butler, Bob Crossman, Mike Danielski, Kim Danielski, Gordy Engstrom, Ruth Ann Evans, Biruta Fessenden, Diane Field, Kris Fox, Richard Gehl, Elena Griewahn, Elwyn Griewahn, Bob Heine, Callan Hughes, Carol Huttenga, Mary Johnson, Patricia Johnson, Grace Lanning, John Leese, Marilyn Leese, Jane Legault, Judy Mallen, Tom Mannisto, Rebecca Mattison, Stephanie McLeod, Laura Norton, Julia Pfeiffle, Jesse Platt, Jacqueline Riegling, Denny Rosen, Marian Schaible, Chas Schaner, Chris Schomberg, Lee Schomberg, Bob Sielaff, Dave Smoes, John Walls, Robert Williams, Rick Wolner, Michelle Wolner, David Young, Kathy Young, and Kathryn Zielinski.

We also lift up **Trinity families mourning the loss of loved ones**: Albert Asfour, Maria Ashimine, Greg and Rachele Battreall, Carrie and David Boer, Beverly and John Bosserman, Liz and Jason Coles, Jack Danielson, Scott and Corina Dulecki, Julie Earhart, Jon Ferguson, Diane Field, John and Kris Fox, Mary Frick, Josh and Katie Gardner, Susan and Terry Knoll, Joni and Steve Korb, Kristen Lamprich, Kent and Kristin Linkfield, Wendy and Jim Mielock, Dave and Julie Murray, Patrick and Jacquie Murray, Debbie and John Potter, Kathy Sommers, Jonathan and Jennifer Sommers, Sylvia and Bill Stouten, Linda Taffs, Wollen/Billings families, Natalie Yeager, and Terry and Linda Zabel.

We also lift up in prayer this week Pastor Ron Iris and the people of Victory Trinity Lutheran Church in Ludington, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

Readings & Hymns for February 11

2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6

2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 9:2-0

#318 Alleluia, Song of Gladness (red book)
#511 Thy Strong Word (red book)
#688 Lord of Light (red book)

FEBRUARY 11, 2024
TRANSFIGURATION
OF OUR LORD



Disciples humbly grow in their understanding of Jesus.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Mark 9:2-9	Transfiguration of Jesus
Monday	2 Kings 2:1-12	Elijah is taken into heaven
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 4:3-6	Proclaiming Jesus as Lord
Wednesday	1 Peter 2:1-10	A chosen people
Thursday	Colossians 1:3-14	A prayer of thanks
Friday	Hebrews 5:11-14	Warning against turning away
Saturday	Psalms 50:1-6	God shines brightly
Sunday	Mark 1:9-15	Temptation of Jesus

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Mark 9:7 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Awesome God, help us humbly to live a life that reflects your power and glory meant for us and all the world through Jesus Christ, your Beloved. Amen.

Mealttime Prayer:

Dear God, help us to see in this meal your power and glory that shines brightly; give us thankful hearts for this food provided for us by your love. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you with faith in Christ.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK
Seek Ye First



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something you want to learn more about?
- What questions would you like to ask Jesus about his life?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Mark 9:2-9.

Transfiguration Sunday serves as a bridge between Epiphany and Lent. Epiphany includes many stories revealing who Jesus is through his teachings and miracles. Lent is the season that reflects on being a follower who is true to Jesus as Savior and Lord. The transfiguration story in Mark 9 comes amid three accounts of Jesus' suffering and death (Mark 8:31-33, 9:30-32, and 10:32-34). The transfiguration story ends by pointing to Jesus rising from the dead. On the mountain, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. This is a scene that perceives the end of history when Elijah and Moses were expected to return. It is a defining moment for Jesus. Peter, James, and John were terrified, and Peter spoke but did not really know what to say. The disciples were to be silent and listen to Jesus. When we think of Jesus' journey to the cross, we, too, as Jesus' disciples are asked to reflect, listen, and humbly grow in our understanding of who Jesus is as the Son of God and the Beloved.

Discuss: How do you think the transfiguration of Jesus made a difference for Peter, James, and John?

Pray: Ever-present God, help us to see and trust that your saving work is with us so that we may not fear, complain, or forget your goodness to us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you help someone grow in the Christian faith?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

The church season of Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday, February 14. There are 40 days in the season of Lent, a time to refocus our lives on God. One spiritual practice that Christians emphasize during Lent is prayer. Make this Lent a time of prayer for others. Use separate pieces of paper to write the name of a person you can pray for during Lent. Place these papers into a prayer box. Each day in Lent, pull out a slip of paper from the prayer box and ask God to care for and bless the person named. Add names to the box throughout Lent.



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