

Transfiguration Sunday • February 14, 2021



Peace Thru Christ

LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 8

THE ORDER OF SERVICE • Worship Supplement, p. 12

Opening Hymn:.....719 Read(3)

Before Sermon:..... 135

Offering Hymn:443:V.1, 4, 6, 8

After Prayers:720 Read(3)

Closing Hymn:48

Antiphon, Ps. 8Pg. 27 W.S.

Scripture Reading:

II Kings 2:1-12

Elijah's departure from this earth in a whirlwind was indeed unique and glorious. The passing of every child of God from this earth to heavenly joy and peace may not be as unique but it is just as glorious. We go from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant.

And it came to pass, when the Lord was about to take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. Then Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here, please, for the Lord has sent me on to Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So they went down to Bethel. Now the sons of the prophets who were at Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that the Lord will take away your master from over you today?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent!" Then Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here, please, for the Lord has sent

me on to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!” So they came to Jericho. Now the sons of the prophets who were at Jericho came to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that the Lord will take away your master from over you today?” So he answered, “Yes, I know; keep silent!” Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here, please, for the Lord has sent me on to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!” So the two of them went on. And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went and stood facing them at a distance, while the two of them stood by the Jordan. Now Elijah took his mantle, rolled it up, and struck the water; and it was divided this way and that, so that the two of them crossed over on dry ground. And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?” Elisha said, “Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me.” So he said, “You have asked a hard thing. Nevertheless, if you see me when I am taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so.” Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it, and he cried out, “My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!” So he saw him no more. And he took hold of his own clothes and tore them into two pieces.

Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus’ transfiguration prepares us for His passion by granting us a glimpse of heavenly glory; by announcing to us that Jesus is God’s Son; and by directing us to His Word.

Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; and He was

transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!" And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their faces and were greatly afraid. But Jesus came and touched them and said, "Arise, and do not be afraid." When they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. Now as they came down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, "Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is risen from the dead."

The Sermon: read/listen to sermons at www.peacethruchrist.org

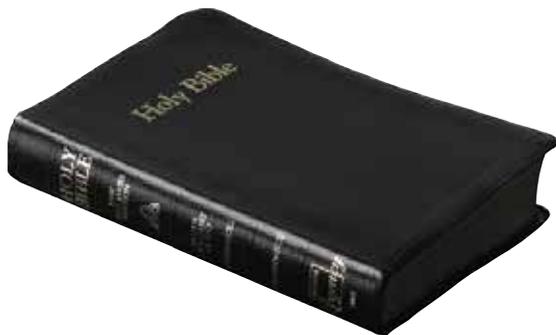
II Peter 1:16-21

CHERISH YOUR BIBLE!

1. Because it is the only accurate account of God's dealing with mankind.
2. Because of its promises.
3. Because of the change it makes in your life.

For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory:

“This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain. And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts; knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.



Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are thankful you are worshipping our Lord and Savior with us this morning. The transfiguration of Jesus strengthens us by revealing Jesus' Godhead. It prepares us for His agonizing suffering and death and it foreshadows the glory of heaven. No wonder Peter wanted to stay up on that mountain in the presence of his Savior's glory. But life is here on earth for now. It is here in your life that God's Word works to bring you to know Christ and to remain in Him. If you have any questions about what we at Peace Thru Christ Lutheran teach, please see Pastor Bernthal. We invite you to come again to learn more about your Savior. Please, also sign our guest register before you leave. Thank you!



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This Week:

Today: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: The Transfiguration
Bible Class: Vignette 4—Christ's Body and Blood: Holy Communion • 10:00 a.m. Family Worship

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Hannah's Helping Hands by Zoom

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday/Communion Service

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Family Worship

SERVICE TO OUR LORD: Cleaners this week: A. Birkholz/
Peterson B. Bernthal Counters: R. Bernthal & R. Meyer

IN YOUR MAILBOX: February Calendar & Newsletter, 2020 Annual Report.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: There are a few printed church directories for anyone who would like a hard copy. They are on the table under the mailboxes.

OFFERINGS 2/7 for Unified Budget: \$3,450.00 Kinship: \$200

ATTENDANCE: Facebook 20 / YouTube views 0
Church 31 Bible Class: 13 S.S. 1

HAHHAH'S: This Tuesday we will be examining a women's Bible study book entitled "Living a Chocolate Life---Savoring God's Sweet Grace." We will explore what it means to "live a chocolate life" in several ways. During



On Today's Bulletin Cover (Partial): Transfiguration is a 1604-1605 oil on canvas painting of the Gospel episode the Transfiguration of Jesus by Peter Paul Rubens, now in the Musée des Beaux-Arts de Nancy.

each study, we will look at our lives in light of God's grace in Jesus and there will be a few scrumptious chocolate recipes also. Tuesday at 7:000 p.m. by Zoom.

CLC NEWS:

- Ross Kok, Holy Cross, Phoenix, AZ has been called by Faith, Markesan, WI to be their principal and upper grade teacher
- Valerie Hammett, Messiah, Eau Claire, has been called to be the second full-time teacher at Immanuel of Winter Haven, FL.
- Andrew Roehl has returned the call to serve as principal and teacher at Grace, Sleepy Eye MN. They have now called Nathan Wales, West Columbia, SC.
- Mr. Caleb Noeldner, who is teaching public school in the Milwaukee, WI has been called by Messiah, Eau Claire to teach in the upper grades.
- June Schmid , who is currently teaching part time at Messiah, Eau Claire has been called by Messiah to teach full time in the lower grades.

ILC DORM SUPERVISORS:

After serving faithfully as dorm supervisors, both Gus Falkenberg and Beth Sandeen will be resigning at the end of this academic year. ILC is accepting applicants for these two positions to begin the 2021-22 year, an adult male for the boys' dorm and an adult female for the girls' dorm. Those who are CLC members in good standing and are able and willing to fill this position may contact ILC President Daniel Schierenbeck (dan.schierenbeck@ilc.edu/660.864.9231) for more information about the responsibilities and compensation for this position. An application is available online at ilc.edu Forms and Applications ILC Employment Application. Review of applications begins March 8.

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ASH WEDNESDAY:

The Lenten season begins this Wednesday with our Ash Wednesday evening communion service at 7:00 p.m. We will again have a Lenten Pulpit exchange with Pastors Sauers and & David Ude. Our Lenten theme this year is: "Hands of the Passion."

Feb. 17:

Hands of Repentance (Tax Collector)
Pastor Bernthal—Luke 18:9-14

Feb. 24:

Hands of Betrayal (Judas)
Pastor Sauers—John 13:21-30

March 3:

Hands of Misguided Zeal (Peter)
Pastor David Ude—John 18:4-11

March 10:

Hands of Hypocrisy (Caiaphas)
Pastor Bernthal—Mark 14:55-65

March 17:

Hands of Brutality (Soldiers)
Pastor Sauers—Matthew 27:27-31

March 24:

Hands of Self-Preservation (Pilate)
Pastor David Ude—Matthew 27:15-26



Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church is a confessional Lutheran Church. We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more, please call **Pastor Bernthal** at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at mbern@juno.com