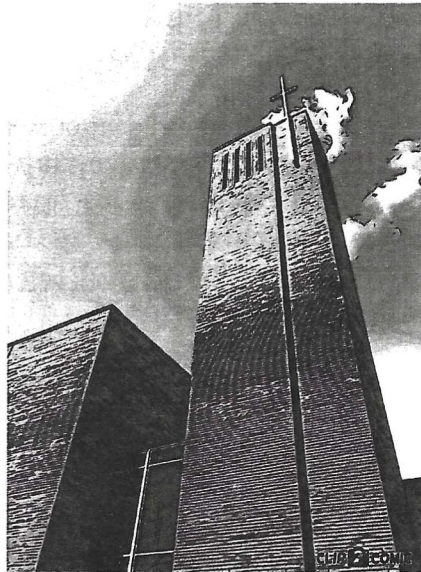


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+Order of Service+
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The Transfiguration of Our Lord
Divine Service Setting Three
LSB 184

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Opening Hymn: **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus** LSB 821
Confession and Absolution LSB 184
Introit, Gloria Patri, and Kyrie LSB 186
Gloria In Excelsis LSB 187
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Old Testament Exodus 24:8-18
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 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face LSB 631
 Jesus Come Today with Healing LSB 620
 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior LSB 389
Nunc Dimittis and Concluding Liturgy LSB 199
Closing Hymn: **Alleluia, Song of Gladness** LSB 417

February 12, 2023 Of Our Time: 100 Communion:
Giving: \$ 2,906.00

Old Testament**Exodus 24:8-18**

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." (9) Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, (10) 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. (11) And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. (12) 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." (13) So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. (14) 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." (15) Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. (16) 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. (17) 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. (18) Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Epistle**2 Peter 1:16-21**

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. (17) 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," (18) we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. (19) And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, 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, (20) knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes

from someone's own interpretation. (21) 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.

Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves.

(2) And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. (3) And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.

(4) And 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." (5) He 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." (6) When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. (7) But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." (8) And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. (9) 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."

THE DESERT IS a place of testing. The desert places of our lives are like that, too. Next week listen to Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy's message: "It Begins with Who I Am" (Matthew 4:1-11) on the Lutheran Hour on WCCO (830): 6.05 AM, KSUM (1370): 11:00 AM. Today's message: "Table Manners" (Exodus 24:11).

THE FRESHMAN CLASS Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop invites you to their Waffle Feed on Sunday, February 26th. They will be serving waffles with all the trimmings from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Cost is a free will offering. Proceeds will help fund their senior class trip.

ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 school year is now open at Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop. Interested families are invited to visit the school at any time. Call 507-436-5249 to set up a time. The Vision of Martin Luther JR/SR High School is: Partnered with families and congregations, Empowered by the Gospel, Academically Accredited, Christ-Centered and Cross-Curricular, Engaged in Excellence. Early enrollment discounts apply until March 15th. For more information visit www.martinlutherhs.com. All teens are welcome to be blessed by a quality Christian high school education.

THE MARCH DELEGATE Assembly meeting will be held at Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop on Sunday, March 19th at 1:00 p.m. in the Music Room. The 2023-2024 budget will be presented for approval.

THE MINNESOTA SOUTH District LCMS insert in the February 2023 Lutheran Witness featured a story about Martin Luther JR/SR High School "Generating a JESUS Generation-Spanish Enrichment" \$14,000 grant. Senora Veronica Balderas teaches Spanish to 7th and 8th graders at St Paul Lutheran, Fairmont; St Paul's Lutheran, Truman and MLHS. The goal is to introduce them to Spanish culture and prepare them to be a generation of Christian disciples to their Hispanic neighbors. The full article can be read at <https://www.martinlutherhs.com/7--8-spanish.html> or <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/publications#Lutheran-Witness-supplement>.

There is a copy of the article on the bulletin board in the narthex.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! The **OH! What a KNIGHT!** Dinner Auction will be held on Saturday, April 22nd. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The committee is gathering new items, handmade items, gift certificates, or collectibles. Your donations are welcome! Notification and pictures are appreciated by March 1st to help with pre-event publicity. Please call 507-436-5249. Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – The LWML Blue Earth Zone invites all women and men to the LWML Spring Rally on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Truman. The topic will be led By Rev. Craig McCourt. A light supper will be served at 5 PM.

Rev. Craig McCourt is originally from Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. Craig served congregations in the area of youth and adult ministry in Wisconsin, Indiana, Texas, and Minnesota for more than 30 years. Craig and his wife, Shirley, raised two sons, Isaiah and Noah. In 2013, Craig and Shirley launched GodPonders as a full time speaking-leading-teaching ministry. Craig recently returned to full-time ministry after completing the SMP program and is now serving as Pastor at Peace Lutheran Church in Arlington, MN. Craig has spoken at schools, churches, prisons, colleges, camps, youth gatherings, retreats, and conferences. He also hosts a morning coffee chat on Peace Lutheran Church’s YouTube channel. His first book *Pondering God* is a set of 30 devotions designed to help you Ponder God. His newest book is a small group Bible Study on Ephesians, “The Church - The Body of Christ. It was made available in the fall of 2022. You can visit his website at craigmccourt.com

YOU CAN GIVE to Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Ministry while you shop! Use HyVee Cards. (Or give them as gifts!) Available in \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100. Purchase KWIK TRIP cards through MLHS. MLHS earns 5% on each Gas and Gift Card. Available in \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$200 and \$500 increments. Give them as gifts also! They can be used at KWIK TRIP and KWIK STAR. Special KWIK TRIP Grocery Only cards are available in \$100 and \$200 which provides 15% to MLHS on in-store grocery purchases ONLY. ****Items not eligible to be purchased with Grocery Only include fuel, tobacco, alcohol, gift cards, lottery/lotto, and stamps.* Both HyVee & KWIK TRIP cards can be purchased from Chris Geistfeld.

Introit Ps. 99:1-5; antiphon 99:9

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;

for the LORD our God is | holy!

The LORD reigns; let the peoples | tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the | earth quake!

The LORD is great in | Zion;

he is exalted over all the | peoples.

Let them praise your great and | awesome name!

Ho-| ly is he!

The King in his might loves | justice.

You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in | Jacob.

Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his | footstool!

Ho-| ly is he!

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;

for the LORD our God is | holy!

YOUR DAILY PRAYERS REMEMBER:

+ **Gladys Belgard, DeLaine Krenz, Dick Eckmann, Alania Jans, Norman Wiederhoeft, Pastor Fretham, Mel Breitbarth, Terry Bentele, Brandi Stohs, Cliff Dobie, Marlen Halverson, Gloria Drevlow, Marsha Miller, Carol Ritz. Ron Schultz, Larye Anderson, Engel Dougherty, Shari Voit**, who face prolonged illnesses. May the Lord's grace be their strength in their weakness.

+ **Our Shut-Ins: Jo Rusert, RoseMary Kasten, Janis Olson, June Mausling, Dallas & Wendy Becker, Mary Breitbarth.** May the Lord comfort them in their old age.

+ **Our Servicemen: Mike Hintz, Lance Halverson, Josh Rusert, Duane Cox, Andrew Reed, Cade Hotzler.** May the Lord protect them as they serve us.

I WILL BE out of the office from Feb. 22 – March 13. Allison Slabbert will be in the office on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday mornings. Please have any bulletin announcements to the office by 8:00 AM on Thursdays.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Sun.	Feb.	19	9:00	Divine Service & Holy Communion
			10:15	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
Tues.	Feb.	21	10:00	Women's Bible Study
Wed.	Feb.	22	10:00	Chapel
			4:30	after school Confirmation
			7:00	Ash Wednesday Service with Communion
Sun.	Feb.	26	9:00	Divine Service & Holy Communion
			10:15	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

Organists: 02/19 Sylvia

02/19 Lonnie Smith, Elliot Belgard, Randy Miller, Glenn Kubly

02/22 Scott Halverson, Randy Miller, John Matasovsky, Skip Henton, Wade Krenz, Gerald Urban, Ken Urban

02/26 Larry Hintz, Jeff Hoppe, Lowell Boesch, Ken Urban


03/01 Kerry Krenz, Sawyer Krenz, Cade Ekstrom, Alex Weihe, Cade Hotzler

03/05 Scott Halverson, Randy Miller, John Matasovsky, Skip Henton, Wade Krenz, Gerald Urban, Ken Urban

Our Visitors

We welcome you to the Divine Service. May the Lord Jesus bless you through His Word preached, spoken, sung and given in the Sacraments. We believe that the Bible is the Word of God and therefore it is without error. We believe that Jesus Christ is true God, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Further, we believe that Jesus Christ atoned for all the world's sins and that we are saved alone by God's undeserved love. Scripture teaches that God declared the whole world to be righteous in Christ's crucifixion and resurrection. For Christ's sake He justifies those who believe in Jesus and trust in God's forgiveness in the blood of The Crucified One.

Holy Communion

 Scripture declares that in the Sacrament of the Altar each communicant receives the body and blood of Christ to eat and to drink with the mouth of their bodies. Communicants who believe this receive forgiveness of sins, those who don't eat and drink judgement unto themselves. Communion also is a confession of oneness of the Faith we are baptized into, is preached in our pulpit, and summarized in the Small Catechism. Sadly, since these clear doctrines of The Holy Bible are not accepted by all Christian denominations, we continue the historic Christian practice of Closed Communion. **We request that anyone who is not a communicant member of the LC-MS please speak with our Pastor or an elder before the service and join our congregation in singing hymns during the distribution. Membership classes are offered.**

HIS FINAL STEPS

Join us for our Midweek Services
Wednesdays @ 10 A.M. and 7 P.M.

2023 Lenten Sermon Series

"His Final Steps..."

- 2/22 Ash Wednesday: "...Led to a Tomb"
w/ Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion
- 3/1: "...Led to a Dinner Celebration"
3/8: "...Led to His Father's House"
3/15: "...Led to a Fig Tree"
3/22: "...Led to Some Greeks"
3/29: "...Led to His Enemies"
- 4/2 Palm Sunday: "...Led to a Donkey"
4/6 Maundy Thursday: "...Led to the Upper Room"
w/ Holy Communion
- 4/7 Good Friday Tenebrae Service: "...Led to the Place of
the Skull"
- 4/8 Easter: "His *First* Steps Led Outside His Tomb"