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The Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 19, 2012

**VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU** to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all confirmed members of Immanuel and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

Hymn of Praise: #805, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Salutationp. 214
Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor
Old Testament Reading
Hymn of the Day: #413, "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"
Holy Gospel
Creedal Hymn: #953, "We All Believe in One True God"
Sermon: "The Blessed Hope of the Transfiguration" Offering
Prayer of the Church pp. 215-216 Preface p. 216 Lord's Prayer p. 217 Words of Institution p. 217
Sanctus Tune: Nicea; Text: Lowell Sorenson
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Heaven opens wide today as we partake of Thee. Blessed, Holy Savior, In the Lord's Name coming. God in the highest, Hail the glorious King!
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Grant, O Lord, that in true faith we feast today on Thee. Saints and all the angels, Heav'nly anthems singing. Fall down in worship, Hail the glorious King!
Peacep. 217

Distribution Hymns:

#547, Agnus Dei: "The Lamb" #414, "Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here" #617, "O Lord, We Praise Thee"

Closing Hymn: #822, "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

Chimes and Silent Prayer Announcements Postlude

## DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

5:30PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation 7:30PM Lenten Midweek Worship

8:15PM Choir

Thursday: 7:30PM Men's Bible Class

(No Women's Class tonight)

Friday: St. Matthias, Apostle: Isa. 66:1-2;

Acts 1:15-26; Matt. 11:25-30

Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit Next Sunday: First Sunday in Lent

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship

After Worship Service Special Voters' Meeting

# **Special Voters' Meeting**

Due to the recent fire at the teacherage garages, a special Voters' Meeting has been called for February 26<sup>th</sup> following the worship service. A decision will need to be made about garage replacement. At this point, the two-car garage concept seems worth exploring. Please plan on staying after service for a brief Voters' Meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>. As usual, it will be important for us to establish quorum in order for votes to be taken and plans to proceed. Thanks.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Avis Sucher, Jay & Traci Turner

Monday - Nita Callstrom

Wednesday - Derek Banitt, Dean Holden

Thursday - Carson Callstrom

Friday - Alicia Hoffman, Haley Rupe

Saturday - Kevin Hoffman

# IN OUR PRAYERS

Phillip Sorenson, Melissa Barbey, Barbara Vieths, Janis Thomford, Willard Holst, and Lester Burns (recovering from surgery).

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, February 26 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "Repent"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

#### **Life Quotes**

February 19 "Every child is a wanted child, so no mother needs to feel like abortion is her only option. You might think that's an obvious truth. It's not. Less than two percent of single women facing unplanned pregnancies chose adoption. Far too many chose abortion ... adoption is always a better choice than abortion. Please ... share this important message, so more babies ... can grow up knowing they, too, are wanted." Bradley Mattes, executive director, Life Issues Institute – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

# **Special Presentation on Ministry in Prague**

You are invited to attend a presentation on Pastor Ron Stehr's ministry in Prague. He will provide an overview of his experience at 10:30 AM on February 26, 2012 at Concordia Lutheran Church. Pastor Stehr would also like to lead a similar discussion at Hay Creek. Look for more information on that in the near future.

#### **Lenten Midweek Series**

For midweek worship this Lent, Pastor is pleased to present a preaching series he has developed entitled: "Psalms of Penitence and Passion." One of Pastor's theological interests is the Messianic character of the Psalter. During Lent we will explore how this Old Testament book of praise points to Christ and His Cross. The dates, Psalms, and themes are as follows:

February 22 (Ash Wednesday): Psalm 51 - "Prayer for Pardon"
February 29 (Midweek Two): Psalm 40 - "Pit of Suffering"
March 7 (Midweek Three): Psalm 41 - "Betrayal by Brother"
March 14 (Midweek Four): Psalm 35 - "Wrongfully Accused"
March 21 (Midweek Five): Psalm 31 - "Safe Deposit"
March 28 (Midweek Six): Psalm 69 - "Substitute for Sinners"
April 5 (Maundy Thursday): Psalm 116 - "Cup of Salvation"
April 6 (Good Friday): Psalm 22 - "God Forsaken"
April 8 (Easter): Psalm 16 - "Dead and Gone? No Way!"

# Catechism Review The Fourth Commandment Honor your father and your mother. What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

# Who are parents and other authorities?

Parents are fathers, mothers, and guardians; other authorities are all those whom God has placed over us at home, in government, at school, at the place where we work, and in the church.