

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

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8:00 & 10:45am



St. John Lutheran Church and School

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Divine Service II with Holy Communion

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**stand as you are able*

Prelude – “ <i>Let All Things Now Living</i> ”	Alleluia Ringers
*Processional Hymn <i>Jesus on the Mountain Peak</i>	415
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(10:45) “ <i>Be Thou My Vision</i> ”	Alleluia Ringers
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Communion Hymns in Parentheses will be sung if time allows.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN! We ask members and guests to fill out an attendance card located by the hymnals; indicate your attendance at Holy Communion. Cards may be placed in the offering plate. Note that there are two glasses in the center of each tray with diluted wine.

SERVING TODAY – Preaching & Presiding: Rev. Jeff Caithamer. **Organist & Music Director:** Keith Williams. **Elders:** 8:00 – Nick, Mike, Dan, Dan; 10:45 – Chris, Harold, Phil, Bryce. **Ushers:** 8:00 – AJ & Everett; 10:45 – Noah & Nic.

ABOUT THE LORD’S SUPPER: Our congregation is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, a family of congregations who pledge themselves to teach and to believe the same doctrines. We invite those persons who are members in good standing of a congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod or of a church in fellowship with the LCMS to receive the sacrament. We want to express our sincere welcome to guests and to assure them that it is in their spiritual interest that we practice closed communion. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to make an appointment to speak with our pastor.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY – The altar flowers are given today by the Bernau family in memory of our dad & Papa, Arnold Bradbury. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for peace and comfort:* Jay & Stephanie and family at the death of Stephanie’s father Roger; *hospitalized:* Michael-son of Bob & Joan; *for healing and recovery:* Neal, Gilbert, David, Gary, Jim, Arnold, Robin, Karla, Charlene, Brian, Teresa, Barbara, John, Hendricks, Maria, Merv, Rebecca, Roy, Todd, Brett; *for successful treatments:* Kevin, Dan, Nancy, Barb, Luke, Earl, Linda, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy; *for our college students:* Charlie, Margaret; *for those in the military:* Nick D, Nick F, Andy, Brandon, Zachary, David; *for our homebound:* Alice, Lola.

For requests for the prayer chain or to be added to the chain:

<http://stjohnmedia.org/church/PrayerList.html>

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>Transfiguration of Our Lord</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion; 1:00 New Member Class
Monday	4:00 EAT Night @ Hickory River
Tuesday	6:00 Elders
Wednesday	<i>Ash Wednesday</i> ; 8:10 Chapel; 10:00 Adult Bible Class; 3:30 Holy Communion; 5:45 Midweek School, Lifelight; 6:00 Handbells; 7:15 Holy Communion
Thursday	10:00 Lifelight; 6:00 Mixed & Men's Choirs
Friday	<i>No School</i> ; 5:45 Young Adults Group
Saturday	9:00 VBS Meeting
Sunday	<i>1st Sunday in Lent</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion; 1:00 New Member Class

The February E.A.T. Night will be at Hickory River tomorrow, Monday, February 12th, 4-8pm. Bring in the flyer to make sure that 15% of the proceeds will be donated to St. John Lutheran School. Includes dine in, carry out and drive thru. Flyers are available on the narthex table and on the school website. *Hickory River - Fields South Dr., Champaign, 61822

You're Invited to join us for our Lenten midweek services starting with Ash Wednesday on February 14th, 2024. We will have services at 3:30pm & 7:15pm, which include the Lord's Supper. The Lenten theme this year is "*I Am a Worm and Not a Man*".

Young Adults Group will be meeting Friday, February 16th at 5:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will enjoy food, fun, and fellowship together. Anyone between the ages of 18-40 is welcome to join. Any questions, please contact Sara

Vacation Bible School – The time for VBS planning has arrived. The theme for this year is "Clues to Christ", and it will be held June 17-21. We will be having a meeting on Saturday, February 17th at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone who is interested is welcome to help us get our plans underway. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would still like to help, please let Sara know. Thank you.

SJL Youth – Friday, February 23rd-24th, Boys' & Men's Woodcutting Retreat at Camp CILCA. All youth boys are invited and are welcome to bring their dads, uncles, or grandpas along (but youth can also just come by themselves). Please contact Karen or Mike to sign up. Meanwhile, back at the church on Friday, February 23rd we will have youth Girls' Night from 6-9pm.

Show Me Dough Fundraiser – Order forms are available on the narthex table. Return order forms to the school office by Monday, February 26th. Dough-livery date is Wed. March 6th. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards the middle school class trip.

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – led by Pastor Caithamer in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday School – Kindergarten-High School will start out in the Sanctuary for opening, and then go to their respective classrooms. Preschool will have opening in their own classroom.

3/4yrs	Room 4C	4 th -5 th	Band Room
K-1 st	Art Room	6 th -8 th	Conference Room
2 nd -3 rd	Room 4B	High School	Youth Room

New Member Class – New Member Class meets at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. This class is intended for those who would like to know more about Lutheranism and are interested in becoming members of St. John. All of our current members are invited and encouraged to attend this class as a refresher course in the Lutheran faith. It also is a blessing to new members to get to meet and know current members. Please email Pastor Caithamer with any questions.

Changes to Upcoming Newsletters – Due to changes to the USPS Bulk Mail system, we will be making a few adjustments to how you can receive the monthly newsletters. Please contact the church office or respond to Pastor’s February Newsletter email with your preference on how you would like to receive newsletters moving forward. (call church office or churchoffice - at - stjohn-lcms.church). Thank you.

February Newsletter – Pastor Caithamer has sent out the February Newsletter through email and there are hard copies available on the narthex table. If you do not yet receive the newsletters but would like to be added to the list, please let the church office know.

2023 Contribution Statements have been mailed out. If you did not receive yours or have any questions, please contact the church office.

Community Open House - St. John Lutheran School and Little Lamb Preschool will be hosting a Community Open House on Saturday, February 24th, 10:00am - 12:00pm. Prospective school families will have an opportunity to meet our principal, tour the building, and ask questions. If you know a family interested in the school for 2024-2025, please encourage them to attend this event. School tours may be scheduled by contacting the school office at 217-359-1714.

CID LLL Convention – The LLL District Convention will take place on Saturday, March 9th at 9am. The convention will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altamont, IL. Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Michael Zeigler will be the main speaker. Registration is \$25/ person. More information can be found on the narthex table. Anyone interested in carpooling to the event can contact Bill Gray.

Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt – We are planning an Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday, March 31st during the Sunday School hour. Donation tags will be available after Ash Wednesday (2.14.24) to help with this event. Donation needs will include plastic eggs and treats to go inside them.

LEARN BY HEART
THE FAMILY ALTAR

The families of St. John are encouraged to learn these words from the Small Catechism by heart this week:

The Sacrament of the Altar

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

Where is this written?

The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: 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."

Bible Passage: For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

Hymn 423 *Jesus, Refuge of the Weary* (st. 1)

Psalm 50:1-6

Bible Readings for the Week:

The Bread from Heaven – Exodus 16:1-15, 31

Water from the Rock – Exodus 17:1-7

The Golden Calf – Exodus 32:1-20