

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

February 23, 2020

8:00am & 10:45am



St. John Lutheran Church and School

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Reverend Jeff Caithamer

School Principal: Tim Gabbert

Divine Service IV with Holy Communion

**stand as you are able*

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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.

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.

SERVING TODAY - Preaching: Rev. Jeff Caithamer. **Organist & Choir Director:** Keith Williams. **Elders:** 8:00 - Andy, Rex, Dave & Dan; 10:45 - Jeremy, Bob, John & Jim. **Acolytes:** 8:00 - Joel; 10:45 - Elijah. **Ushers:** 8:00 - Bill & Makenzie; 10:45 - Jordan & Bryce. Instrumentalists: Lou Ann -oboe, Terry -trumpet.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY – The altar flowers are given today by Mark & Sherry in celebration of family birthdays on the 20th, 21st, & 22nd. We remember the following people in our prayers: *following surgery:* Cindy; *for healing and recovery:* Dorothy, Pastor Don, Opal, Chris, Hendricks -grandson of Dan & Joanie, Alex, Jill, Kim and Jim, John, Jacob -great grandson of Bob & Joan, Maria, Brett -cousin of the, Merv, Jessica -granddaughter of Bob & Joan, Joan -mother of Bill, Judy -mother of Rochelle, Rebecca -daughter of Marvin & Esther, Roy -father of Anne, Dan -brother of Bonnie, Todd; *for peace, hope, and comfort:* Philip -son of Starley; *for successful treatments:* Earl, Roger -father of Stephanie, Jayne, Linda, Roxy, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy, Shawn -sister of Maxine; *for our college students:* Joshua, Isabelle, Erin; *for those in the military:* Roberto, Adam, Joshua, Nick, Taylor, Andy, Brandon Kovell, Suzanna, Ben, Allyson, Zachary; *for our homebound:* Mary, Alice, Leona, Betty

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

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

There is a Voter's Meeting today at 1:00pm in the fellowship hall.

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – Fellowship Hall – Pastor Caithamer
Sunday School Opening will be in the Sanctuary for K-8th grade at 9:30. Preschool (3/4yrs) will have their opening in Room 4C. Come and join us!

3/4yrs	Room 4C	3 rd -5 th	Room 1B
Kindergarten	Room 4A	6 th -8 th	Room 4B
1 st & 2 nd	Room 2C	High School	Youth Room

Heartfelt Thanks – I would like to thank everyone for your prayers during my recent illness. May God bless you all, Patty

Volunteer Sign-up – March and April are very busy months with several events: Lenten Dinners, Easter Breakfast, and the Annual Garage Sale. Help will be needed from the youth, their families and the congregation to make these events successful. Sign-up sheets have been posted on the Youth bulletin board by the church office. Sign-up now to ensure all events are held. (If volunteers are not secured by the deadline date listed on the sign-up sheets, events may be canceled.)

Little Lamb Buddy Bench Project – Plastic lids and caps are being collected for the Buddy Bench Project. Acceptable items include milk jug caps, deodorant caps, yogurt lids, peanut butter lids, etc. Please pick up a flyer on the narthex table for more information. Collection baskets are located by the school office, in the Fellowship Hall and in the coatroom by the church office. Friday, April 3rd, is the last day to bring in items.

Trivia Night Thank You - A very heartfelt thank you to all who sponsored, helped with, or participated in the St. John School Trivia Night on February 1. It was a fun evening filled with trivia, snacks, friends, and lots of laughs. In the midst of this, over \$7,000 was raised for the Parent Teacher Fellowship of the school. These funds will be used for updated classroom supplies and technology to advance student learning. Thanks be to God for the generosity and kindness of so many.

Security – For the safety and security of the congregation, the Elders have begun locking the front and back main entrances to the church after the sermon during the 10:45am service.

Altar Flowers – The following dates are available if you would like to sign up for altar flowers: April 12, May 10, June 14th & 28th. Please see the chart in the overflow.

Men, the Camp CILCA Woodcutters' Retreat is coming up February 28-29. Bring your ax, chainsaw, log splitter, and work gloves to cut, split, and stack firewood. Bring your Bible to dig into the Sermon on the Mount. A donation of \$30 will cover lodging in the Christian Growth Center' hotel-style rooms, snacks, and 3 meals. Check in is 7pm Friday. We will be done by 6pm Saturday. Contact the camp office to register.

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today *Transfiguration*; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion; 1:00 Voter's Meeting

Monday 9:15 MOPS

Tuesday 10:00 Adult Bible Class; 5:00 School Open House; 6:00 Parish Ed; 7:00 Youth Board

Wednesday *Ash Wednesday*; 8:10 Chapel; 3:30 Holy Communion; 5:45 Midweek School, Lifelight; 6:00 Handbells; 7:15 Holy Communion (AR)

Thursday 9:00 Lifelight; 6:30 Lifelight

Sunday *First Sunday in Lent*; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion

Open House - We will be hosting an Open House for Little Lamb Preschool and Kindergarten on Tuesday, February 25th at 5:00-6:30pm. Prospective families will have an opportunity to meet our teachers, see the classrooms, and ask questions about our school. Please invite friends, neighbors, family members, or anyone else who may be interested in sending their child to St. John this upcoming school year. All classrooms will be open and all teachers will be available.

Abby's Journey: March 8 from 2-3:30 at St. John gym showing of former Planned Parenthood Director, Abby Johnson's Journey out of Planned Parenthood. This video is from the Living Alternatives banquet 2019 Keynote presentation by Abby. To clarify, it is not the movie "Unplanned". Everyone is welcome. Our hope is to have many of our Teen and College students in these communities attend to gain awareness of Planned Parenthood and the issue of Life. Invite your children that are teen or college students and come with them or come and bring a friend. We will need volunteers from St. John to help set up and clean up and usher the event. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the church office. Thank you for your help.

E.A.T @ Chick-fil-A - Join us on Monday, March 9, 5-7 pm for the next E.A.T. Night. Chick-fil-A will give 10% of proceeds to the school. Please note the offer is only good on Dine-in and Carryout orders only (not on Drive-Thru orders). Tell your friends, family, and neighbors. No flyer needed – just mention St. John.

This Week at SJ and LL - February 24 - March 1: Tuesday – Community Open House, 5:00-6:30pm, VB HOME vs. Trinity, Danville, 6p; Wednesday – Chapel - Offering for Ministry to the Armed Forces; Friday – VB - St. John's, Mattoon, 6p

More Topics, More Guests, More Jesus - Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Book of 1 Thessalonians, "Love" in the New Testament, The Season of Lent, Jesus Feeds Five Thousand and more. You can listen live or on-demand at issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

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 benefit of this eating and drinking? These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things? Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”

Bible Passage: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8-9

Hymn 425 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* (sts. 1-2)

Psalm 139:1-10

Bible Readings for the Week:

Jesus Faces the Sanhedrin – Matthew 26:57-75

Judas Hangs Himself: Jesus Faces Pontius Pilate – Matthew 27:1-

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The King of the Jews Is Mocked – Matthew 27:27-44

Jesus' Death and Burial – Matthew 27:45-66