

# **St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church-Blue Point**

## **Transfiguration Sunday February 11, 2018**

Welcome to St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

**Prayer before Service-**O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Opening Hymn .....834**

**Order of Matins.....pg 219**

**Introit**

P: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the LORD our God is holy!

**C: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!**

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

P: The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

**C: Let them praise your great and awesome name!**

**Holy is he!**

P: The King in his might loves justice.

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

**C: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool!**

**Holy is he!**

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy  
Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be  
forever. Amen.**

P: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the LORD our God is holy!

**Old Testament Lesson-Exodus 34:29-35**

Now it was so, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai (and the two tablets of the Testimony were in Moses' hand when he came down from the mountain), that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone while he talked with Him. So when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. Then Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned to him; and Moses talked with them. Afterward all the children of Israel came near, and he gave them as commandments all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face. But whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with Him, he would take the veil off until he came out; and he would come out and speak to the children of Israel whatever he had been commanded. And whenever the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone, then Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with Him.

### **Epistle Lesson-2 Corinthians 3:12-4:6**

Therefore, since we have such hope, we use great boldness of speech—unlike Moses, who put a veil over his face so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the end of what was passing away. But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the veil is taken away in Christ. But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart. But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

### **Gospel Lesson-Mark 9:2-9**

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

transfigured before them. His clothes became shining, exceedingly white, like snow, such as no launderer on earth can whiten them. And Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—because he did not know what to say, for they were greatly afraid.

And a cloud came and overshadowed them; and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!” Suddenly, when they had looked around, they saw no one anymore, but only Jesus with themselves.

Now as they came down from the mountain, He commanded them that they should tell no one the things they had seen, till the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Sermon Hymn.....416**

**Sermon**

**Text: 2 Cor 3-4; Mark 9; Exodus 34**

**Theme: Since we have such hope**

**I. The Church fully proclaims the whole counsel of God**

**II. The Church knows that there is only One answer**

**III. And finally, we do not lose heart**

**Canticle.....941**

**Offering**

**Prayers**

**Benediction**

**Closing Hymn.....415**

**All 8th grade confirmands** we will not be meeting this Wednesday evening. We will start meeting again next Wednesday, February 14 from 5:30-7 PM to look over questions for examination. If you cannot make it please let me know.

**LYF will be hosting** an Italian meal on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, prior to the Ash Wednesday Service 7 PM. Service for the dinner will begin at 5:30 PM. Free will offerings are appreciated. All proceeds will go to their Higher Things trip in July.

**Lenten Services** begins with Ash Wednesday service, on February 14th, at 7 PM with Holy Communion. The theme is “The Lord’s Prayer in the Lord’s Passion

Ash Wednesday, February 14, **Our Father who art in Heaven**

Lenten Midweek, February 21, **Hallowed be Thy Name**

Lenten Midweek, February 28, **Thy Kingdom Come**

Lenten Midweek, March 7, **Thy Will be Done**

Lenten Midweek, March 14, **Give Us this day our daily bread**

Lenten Midweek, March 21, **Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us**

Maunday Thursday, March 29, **Lead us not into temptation**  
Good Friday, March 30, **But deliver us from evil**  
Easter Sunday, April 1, **For Thine is the Kingdom, and the  
Power, and the Glory, forever and ever. Amen!**

**ALIS PTL** dinner auction is February 24th. Tickets are \$25.

Social hour begins at 5, dinner is at 6 and the auction begins at 7. Please have tickets and items, or at least a description of the item to school no later than 6pm Thursday February 15th. Thanks for your passed support and we look forward to seeing you there. Any questions call Jo Ellen Tappendorf 618-267-6661

**150th Anniversary Committee** will be meeting, February 25, at Ron and Deb Ohnesorge's. Please mark your calendar.

**Former Lutheran Hour speaker** Reverend Gregory Seltz and Congressman John Shimkus will team up to discuss "The Two Kingdoms and the role of a Christian in the Political Process" at the upcoming Lutheran Layman's League Annual Meeting Mar 17. St John's Congregation of Champaign will host the meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. More details and registration information will be forthcoming. Please put the date on your church and personal calendars. Reverend Seltz is now Executive Director of Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty (LCRL) in Washington DC and Shimkus was a Lutheran School teacher before going into Congress.

**Ladies Aid Meeting on February 13** at 7 PM will host a social activity, Sign Painting. All are welcome. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Must be signed up by February 11th, and there is a \$10 fee for materials.

**The Men's Club** and the congregation would like to thank Ron and Deb Ohnesorge for providing the LLL Lenten devotional booklets

**Prayers-**For Keith Meier who is undergoing treatment for cancer; For our college students; For a blessed Lententide; For the birth of a daughter, Anna Marie, to Rev Ryan and Cathy Meyer of St Peter Lutheran Church, St Peter.

### **This Week at St Paul**

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| Sunday: Catechism 11 AM  | Isaiah 4-6   |
| Monday:  | Isaiah 7-9   |
| Tuesday: Circuit Meeting Immanuel Augsburg<br>Ladies Aid 7 PM                          | Isaiah 10-12 |
| Wednesday: Joshua Bible Study 10 AM<br>Catechism 5:30 PM<br>Ash Wednesday Service 7 PM | Isaiah 13-15 |
| Thursday:  | Isaiah 16-18 |
| Friday:  | Isaiah 19-21 |
| Saturday:  | Isaiah 22-24 |

### **Those serving**

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