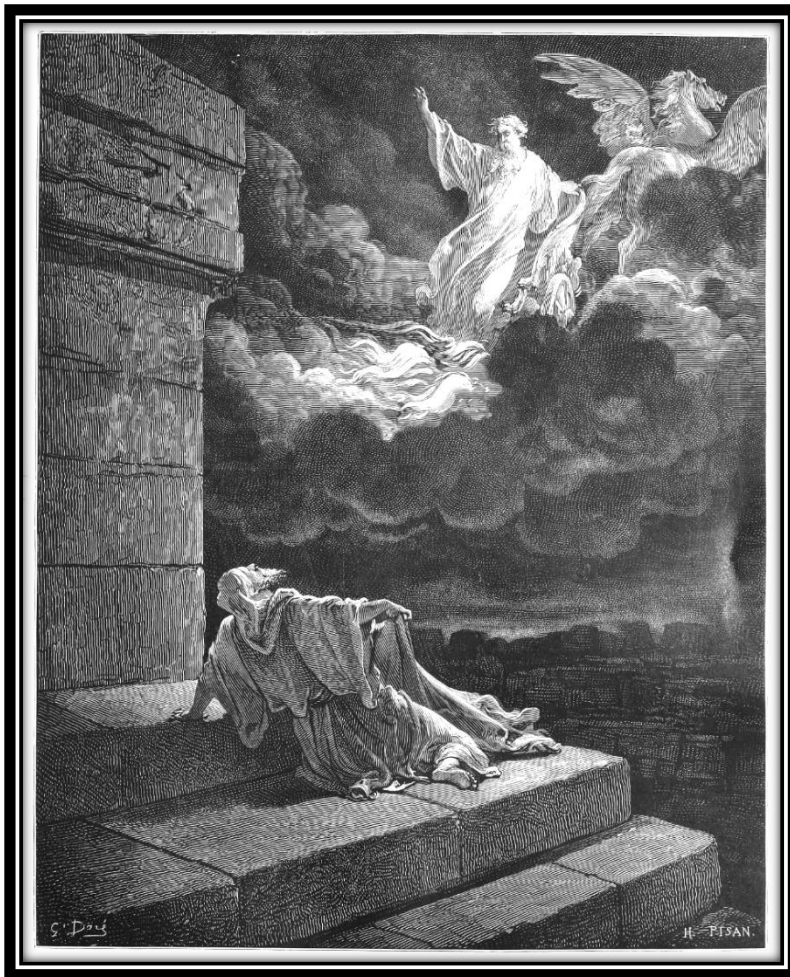


February 8th & 11th, 2018



**St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church
Juneau, Wisconsin**

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

The season of showing his glory to those he has called is coming to a close. We stand at the threshold of the season of his ultimate humiliation. But before we go down to the valley of the shadow of death, he gives us a glimpse of the glory which he hid so carefully even while he was revealing it. Lent is coming; hang on to the glory that soon will be covered in shame and washed with blood!

HYMN 95 vs. 1-4

“How Good, Lord, to Be Here”

STAND

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



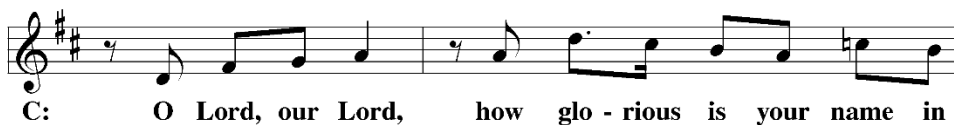
C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



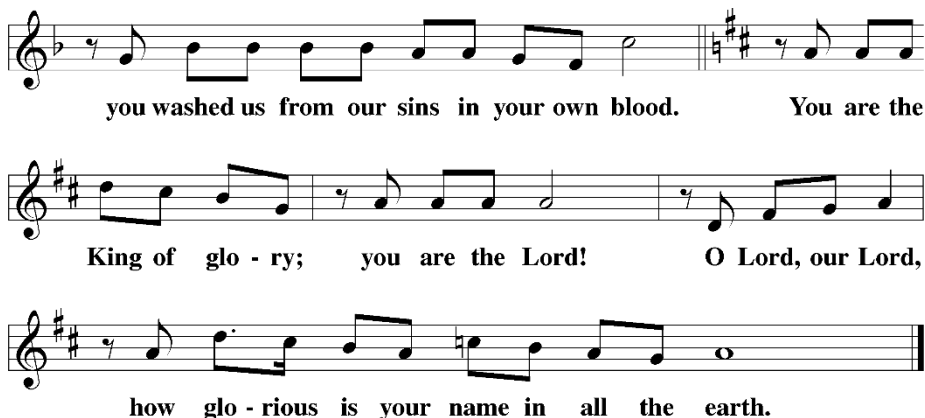
how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may behold by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed into his likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 (EHV)

¹² Therefore, since we have this kind of hope, we act with great boldness. ¹³ We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face, so that the Israelites could not continue to look at the end of the radiance, as it was fading away. ¹⁴ In spite of this, their minds were hardened. Yes, up to the present day, the same veil remains when the Old Testament is read. It has not been removed because it is taken away only in Christ. ¹⁵ Instead, to this day, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶ But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. ¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ But all of us who reflect the Lord's glory with an

unveiled face are being transformed into his own image, from one degree of glory to another. This too is from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

¹Therefore, since we have this ministry as a result of the mercy shown us, we are not discouraged. ²On the contrary, we have renounced shameful, underhanded methods. We do not operate in a deceitful way, and we do not distort the word of God. Instead, by proclaiming the truth clearly, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

Preschool - 8:00am Service

“He's Got the Whole World in His Hands”

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. A voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him.” Alleluia. (Mark 9:7b)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

STAND

GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-9 (EHV)

² After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him and led them up a high mountain where they were alone by themselves. There he was transfigured in front of them. ³ His clothes became radiant, dazzling white, whiter than anyone on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And Elijah appeared to them together with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus.

⁵ Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶ He did not know what to say because they were terrified.

⁷ A cloud appeared and overshadowed them, and a voice came from the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him.”

⁸ Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus alone.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.



BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY 543

“God of the Prophets”

SERMON

2 Kings 2:1–12a (NIV)

“The Glory that Awaits Us”

¹ When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ² Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; the LORD has sent me to Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. ³ The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?” “Yes, I know,” Elisha replied, “so be quiet.” ⁴ Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here, Elisha; the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” And he replied, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So they went to Jericho. ⁵ The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?” “Yes, I know,” he replied, “so be quiet.” ⁶ Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” And he replied,

“As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them walked on. ⁷ Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. ⁸ Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. ⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?” “Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit,” Elisha replied. ¹⁰ “You have asked a difficult thing,” Elijah said, “yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not.” ¹¹ As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind.

STAND

CONFESSION OF FAITH

A Christian’s Creed

I believe in the one true God, who reveals himself as three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

He created everything that exists out of nothing in six days.

He sustains and provides for his created world.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God the Son, who came to earth to live the perfect life that I could not.

I know that he was the complete sacrifice for my sin. He died so that I might live.

He rose from the grave victorious over sin and death, guaranteeing that all my sins are forgiven.

He left this earth visibly, went up into heaven and now rules with all power and authority because he is God and his work on this earth is finished.

He will come again one day as Judge, to finally defeat his enemies and to bring believers to live with him forever in heaven.

I believe in God the Holy Spirit, who has brought me to faith and made me God’s child and an heir of eternal life.

Now he pleads to the Father on my behalf, strengthens me when I am spiritually weak and empowers me for service to my loving Savior, Jesus. All this he does through God’s Word and sacraments.

God’s Word points me to my need for a Savior, and to his saving love for me.

I believe the Bible is the true Word of God which teaches and guides me now to live for him because of all the things my God has done for me. Amen.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN 484

“Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly”

Please stand and sing while the ushers bring the offering plates forward.

Brothers, sisters, let us gladly
Give to God our all, our best—
Service hearty, thorough, honest,
With a living love impressed.
All our duty, all our striving,
All our time to him belong;
Praise him, then, with true devotion;
Come before him with a song.

STAND

PRAYERS

LORD’S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

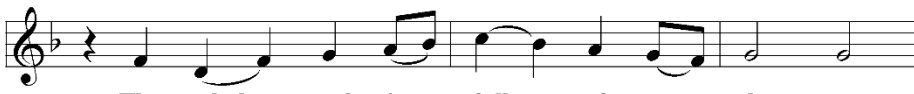
M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

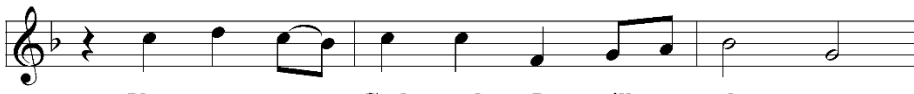
Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

At St. John's we practice closed Communion, to which only congregational members are invited, in obedience to Scripture's teaching that the Lord's Supper is an expression of our complete unity in faith. This has been the historic practice of the Christian church for nearly 2,000 years. If you are our guest today, we respectfully ask that you speak with one of the pastors before approaching the altar for Communion.



Just a reminder that Nursery help is available this Sunday for your little ones during communion. If you'd like to use this free service, please come to the back of church during distribution to drop off your child(ren). Of course, all parents are welcome to bring their child(ren) to the front with them while they commune – if they so choose.

HYMNS

311

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

97

“Down from the Mount of Glory”

THANKSGIVING

STAND

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev'-ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



HYMN 95 vs. 5

“How Good, Lord, to Be Here”

Pastor: Paul Schupmann

Liturgist: David Brandt

Organist: Joan Hohenstein

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St. John's Announcements

Thank You! Thank you to all who helped out in any way during the basketball season and the B team basketball tournaments held here January 27th and February 3th. Thank you for help in taking admissions, selling concessions, grilling, bringing baked goods, running the score clock, doing the score book, set up before the games, and clean up after. We couldn't do it without all of you! Special thanks to Tony Colantonio, Ted Fehrman, & Lee Weiss for their cooperative effort in running the concessions this year!

Martin Luther College Choir Concert: The Martin Luther College Choir, under the direction of Prof. Adrian Smith, will present "The Way, the Truth, the Life" in our area the weekend of Friday, February 16 - Sunday, February 18. The concert features music for choir, congregation, and instruments, proclaiming Jesus Christ as the only way of salvation. The program includes "If Ye Love Me" by Thomas Tallis, "Salvation unto Us Has Come" by Johannes Brahms, "In My Father's House" by Philip Stopford, "E'en So Lord Jesus" by Paul Manz, and many others. A free-will offering will be gathered to support the ministry of MLC.

Please join us at one of these concert locations: Friday, February 16 - 1:45 p.m. at Luther Preparatory School, Watertown, WI; Friday, February 16 - 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fort Atkinson, WI; Saturday, February 17 - 7:00 p.m. at First German Lutheran Church, Manitowoc, WI; or Sunday, February 18 - 10:30 a.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI.

Martin Luther College is part of the worker training program of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. The college prepares teachers and staff ministers to accept positions in our congregations and it prepares men to enter the seminary to complete their training to serve as pastors. Come and meet some of our future workers and enjoy the music they bring with them.

Every Member Visits: You are invited to attend an Every Member Visit in the church office. *What is an Every Member Visit?* Each family has the opportunity to meet with our pastors and discuss their thoughts, comments, concerns, and have encouragement in God's Word. St. John's members also help the pastors get to know the them and vice versa. We will receive a clear overview of our ministry, better understanding of the gifts God has given us and also have time in God's Word and prayer. Please see the Welcome for more information. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Each family is encouraged to sign-up for a timeslot (children are welcome to attend).

2017 Financial Statements: Your 2017 Financial Statements are available in the church basement. Please pick yours up today!

Childcare Director and Workers Needed: St. John’s Lutheran in Watertown is blessed to have a year-round childcare center that serves families with children ranging from six weeks old through 8th grade. Our goal is to provide high quality, Christ-centered care and education in a loving, learning, and nurturing environment. St. John's is taking applications for a full-time childcare director. Additionally, as the childcare center continues to grow we are looking to add more individuals to fill other needed staff positions. There are various opportunities to help with this program including teachers or teaching assistants to work part time or up to 40 hours per week. St. John's offers competitive wages for all staff, and vacation benefits for full time workers. If you or someone you know is interested and would like more information on the responsibilities or hours, please visit www.sjwtn.org/employment or contact Chris Mueller at 920-261-3756 or email childcare@stjohnswatertown.org.

<u>St. Johns Weekly Schedule</u>	
February 11-17	
Sunday	Worship 8:00 & 10:30am Bible Class & Sunday School 9:15am Teen Class 9:15am Evangelism 11:30am
Monday	Faith & Fitness 6pm Church Council 7pm Women’s Bible Study 7pm
Tuesday	Every Member Visits Bible Study 7pm
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday Worship 3:30 & 6:30pm Lenten Meal 4:30-6:00pm Confirmation 5pm Choir 7:30pm
Thursday	Every Member Visits No Worship during Lent

Statistics for February 4th	
Attendance: 362 (74, 108, 180)	
Offerings given to the Lord:	
General	\$10,687.57
Missions	\$840.50
Improvement	\$110.00
Debt	\$886.00
Lakeside	\$162.50
Total	\$12,686.57

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today. St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership in our congregation. Please join us again soon!

INFORMATION

- Our ushers are here to point you in the right direction and assist you in any way. Please ask.
- Restrooms: our first restroom is located inside the comfort station/children's room by turning right outside the sanctuary doors. A second restroom is located left in the narthex, across from the elevator. Additional restrooms are located in the basement.
- We have two comfort stations/children's rooms if your little ones need a moment. Proceed left out of the sanctuary doors and turn either right or left.
- Children's activity bags are available and are located in the comfort station/children's room. Proceed out of the sanctuary doors and turn right. We also have Children's Bulletins. Please ask an usher for assistance.

PERSONAL PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Heavenly Father, I have come to worship you. Draw near to me in your gracious Word, and assure me of your loving kindness. Curb my wandering thoughts, that with undivided attention I may hear your voice and sing your praise. Amen.



Pastors:

David Brandt
Paul Schupmann

Principal:

Richard Cody

Services:

Thursday 6:30pm
Sunday 8 & 10:30am

Bible Class:

Sunday 9:15am

Sunday School:

9:15am

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