



St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church & Christian Preschool

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**Sunday, February 11, 2024**  
**Transfiguration of Our Lord**



***Mark 9:2-9***

Key: L = Leader, C = Congregation

*Prelude:*

Tone Chime Choir

*Welcome*

The Altar Flowers are sponsored by Linda Klemesrud in memory of Normand Klemesrud.

*Service of Holy Baptism*

*Insert*

*Gathering Hymn:*

**“When Morning Gilds the Skies”**

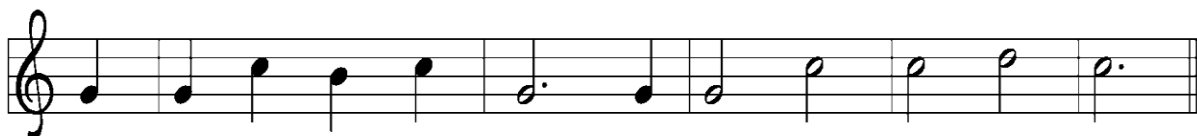
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1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:  
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs:  
3 No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heav'n is known  
4 Let all of hu - man - kind in this their con - cord find:  
5 Sing, sun and stars of space, sing, all who see his face,



may Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning shad - ows fall,  
may Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer  
than “Je - sus Christ be praised!” There to the e - ter - nal Word  
may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round  
sing, “Je - sus Christ be praised!” God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,



this rings my cur - few call: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
has none that can com - pare with “Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
the e - ter - nal psalm is heard: oh, Je - sus Christ be praised!  
ring joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
to - day and ev - er - more shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

***Apostolic Greeting:***

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

***Prayer of the Day:***

**Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

***Scripture Reading:***

**2 Corinthians 4:3-6**

**Read by Laker Kubik**

<sup>3</sup>Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light 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.

**"Jesus Loves Me"**

Jesus loves me this I know,  
For the Bible tells me so,  
Little ones to Him belong,  
They are weak but He is strong.

**Refrain:**

Yes, Jesus loves me,  
Yes, Jesus loves me,  
Yes, Jesus loves me,  
The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me He who died  
Heaven's gate to open wide  
He will wash away my sin  
Let his little child come in. **Refrain:**

## Children's Sermon

### Gospel Song:

### “Alleluia”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia:

*L: The Holy Gospel according to **Mark 9:2-9***



### **Mark 9:2-9**

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

*L: The Gospel of the Lord...*



### Sermon:

Pastor, Russ Leeper

### Song of the Day:

“Mighty to Save”

**Video**

*The Prayers (L):* Lord in your mercy,

Response: **hear our prayer.**

***Please keep the following in prayer:***

Sawyer Schultz    Marilyn Isakson    Linda Girken    Sherman Loudermilk

Connie Swant    Bill Wohlers Jr.    Imani Sande    Carol Bauer

Lorna Scrimger    Noa Mulholland    Don Knowlton    Scott Aspholm

Deb Watkins    Skip Ward    Marilu Wohlers    Axel Heller

Dave Litterer    Jason Mahan

**Please pray for all serving in the Armed Forces & their families:**

Kaleb Bilharz, Mackenzy Bilharz, Tanner Evans, Kaylie Fox, Hannah Fox,

Kim Hall, Daniel Jacobs, Cameron Kakac, Drew Roethler, Robson Shankland,

Ben Hauser

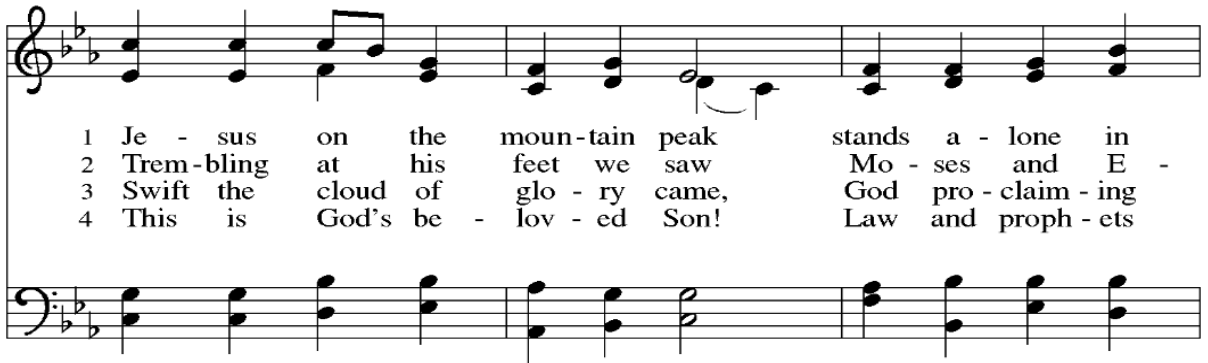
*We celebrate the baptism of...*

***Maci Elaine Rule***



*Maci is the child of Tyler Rule & Kelli Wright*

*Sponsors: Nathan & Heather Wright*



1 Je - sus on the moun-tain peak stands a - lone in  
 2 Trem-bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -  
 3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came, God pro - claim - ing  
 4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and proph - ets



glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,  
 li - jah speak - ing. All the proph-ets and the law  
 in its thun - der Je - sus as the Son by name!  
 sing be - fore him, first and last and on - ly One.



join the saints and an - gels prais - ing.  
 shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing:  
 Na - tions, cry a - loud in won - der:  
 All cre - a - tion shall a - dore him!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*\*Response:*

**“Take Our Lives”**

Take our lives and let them be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
Take our moments and our days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take our love, oh Lord, we pour at your feet its treasure store;  
Take our lives and we will be ever yours eternally.

*The Lord’s Prayer*

**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 Benediction*

*Sending Hymn*

**“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”**

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I want to walk as a child of the light.  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world.  
The star of my life is Jesus.

*Refrain*

In him there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God.  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,  
And show me the way to the Father. *Refrain*

I’m looking for the coming of Christ.  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
We shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

*L:* Go in peace. Share the Good News!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

*Postlude:*

**“Glory Be to God on High”**

**David Paxton**



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ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**February 11—February 18**

|           |            |   |
|-----------|------------|---|
| 2/11/2024 | 9:00 a.m.  | Worship   |
|           | 10:00 a.m. | <i>Sunday Morning Schedule</i><br><i>(5th Grade Bake Bread)</i> |
|           | 10:10 a.m. | <i>Deacons</i>  |
| 2/12/2024 | 6:00 p.m.  | Cub Scouts  |
| 2/13/2024 | 8am to 4pm | Foster Grandparents   |
|           | 5:00 p.m.  | Finance   |
|           | 6:00 p.m.  | Council   |
|           | 6:30 p.m.  | GriefShare  |
| 2/14/2024 | 3:30 p.m.  | <i>Wednesday Night Lenten Schedule</i>                          |
|           | 5:30 p.m.  | <i>Ash Wednesday Service</i>                                    |
| 2/17/2024 | 5:00 p.m.  | Girl Scouts   |
| 2/18/2024 | 9:00 a.m.  | <b>Worship &amp; Communion</b>                                  |
|           | 10:00 a.m. | <i>Sunday Morning Schedule</i><br><i>1st Sunday of Lent</i>     |
|           | 2:00 p.m.  | Cub Scouts Awards Ceremony (PH)                                 |

**NEW OFFICE HOURS!!**

(Monday thru Friday)

|               |                     |
|---------------|---------------------|
| <b>OPEN</b>   | <b>9 AM TO NOON</b> |
| <b>CLOSED</b> | <b>NOON TO 1 PM</b> |
| <b>OPEN</b>   | <b>1 PM TO 3 PM</b> |

**Sunday Morning Schedule**

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Service</b>                   |
| <b>10:05 a.m.</b> | <b>Youth Hour</b>                |
| <b>10:05 a.m.</b> | <b>Spark Sunday School</b>       |
| <b>10:05 a.m.</b> | <b>After Worship Social Time</b> |

**Offering from the week of:**

**February 4, 2024**

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| General Receipts: | <b>\$9,177.70</b> |
| Designated:       | <b>\$485.00</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>\$9,662.70</b> |

*General Receipts of \$10,902.91 are needed weekly to meet the approved budget.*

**Sunday Attendance: 236**

**Wednesday Night Schedule**

|         |                  |
|---------|------------------|
| 3:30 pm | After School     |
| 5:00 pm | Supper           |
| 5:30 pm | Kids Choir       |
| 6:00 pm | Confirmation     |
| 6:00 pm | Tone Chime Choir |
| 7:00 pm | Trinity Choir    |

**Wednesday Night Lenten**

**Schedule Changes**

**Wednesday Night Supper**

**\*\*January 14\*\***

Potato Soup, Ham Sandwiches & Cherry  
Dessert

Supper is from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00 for adults

Children through 12<sup>th</sup> grade

free thanks to

Kans for Kids

(Menu subject to change)

**February 14<sup>th</sup> through March 20<sup>th</sup>**

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| 3:15 to 5:00 | After School Program   |
| 4:30 to 4:50 | Kids Choir-K through 6 <sup>th</sup> grade                               |
| 4:30 to 5:30 | Supper in the Parish Hall<br>(Kids eat free—Adults \$5<br>*All Welcome*) |
| 5:00 to 5:20 | Tone Chime Choir   |
| 5:30         | Lenten Worship Service   |
| 6:15         | Trinity Choir  |



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT**  
**SUPPERS**

**HELP NEEDED**

in the kitchen during the months of

**March & April.**

**To Volunteer...**

**Contact: Shirley Holm OR  
Sandie Quade**



Easter Sunday, March 31st  
Worship/Comm  
Will be at 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

**Ash Wednesday Service February 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm**

**&**

**Mid-Week Lenten Services 2024**

**“Wandering Heart”**

**Worship service is at 5:30 p.m.**

We will explore the life and faith of Jesus’ disciple, Peter. In him, we see a person who is both steadfast and unsteady, a dear friend and a betrayer, a follower and a wanderer. In Peter, we often see ourselves. By following Peter’s journey, we watch the story of Jesus unfold through the eyes of a very normal human trying to figure it all out—just like us.

**GriefShare®**

GriefShare is a 13-week grief support group that is beginning again at St. John. Join us to find help and encouragement after the death of a loved one.

Tuesdays at 6:30\*\*\*January 23 through April  
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Register at [GriefShare.org](http://GriefShare.org) or call the church  
office at 228-3397.

See Susan Leeper for more information.

**Lent Event!**

Will be February 18<sup>th</sup> at  
10:00 a.m. in the Parish  
Hall.

Everyone is invited to join  
and make a  
**Calvary Hill Grass Scene!**



***As precautionary steps for safety and security, we would like to ask all attendees and visitors of St John, to make sure you are locking your vehicles anytime you are inside the church or away from your vehicle.***

### **Scholarship Applications:**

Those students attending a Lutheran college who would like to receive an EPIC grant must notify the church by **May 1<sup>st</sup>**.

St. John scholarship applications for non-Lutheran colleges can be emailed to you and should be emailed to the office by **May 1<sup>st</sup>**.



**Please help support...**

### **St. John Christian Preschool**

Purchase Kwik Star gift cards and the preschool

receives 5% of the face value!!

Please contact Whitney or Toni if you are interested.

### **Altar Flowers & Radio Broadcast 2024**

The sign-up sheets for Altar Flowers & the Radio Broadcast **are now in the Secretary's Office.**

The radio broadcast is enjoyed by many of our St. John members who cannot watch it on YouTube or attend in person.

### **After Worship Social Time**

Coffee & a treat are served in the Parish Hall each Sunday!!

### **\*\*\*Special Note\*\*\***

We do need volunteers to sign up for bringing treats. There is a sign-up sheet by the Narthex doors. (Approximately 3 dozen)



### **Charles City Community Blood Drive**

Messiah Lutheran Church  
705 3rd Ave. | Charles City

**Tuesday, February 13**

12:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Text: LIFESERVE to 999.777 | Call: 800.287.4903 | Visit: [lifeserve.info/schedule](http://lifeserve.info/schedule)

