



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD (Last Sunday after the Epiphany)

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***The mission of St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church is to:
Teach the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ to all;
Reach the lost with the same Word by the witness of our words and actions;
Care for all in need as we live in Christ's love through the same Word.***

THE DIVINE SERVICE

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD, FEB. 11th, 2018, 9:00 am

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP: RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE

HYMN: *LSB* 578, "Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness"

(Stand)

RESPONSIVE PRAYER (Suffrages), hymnal p. 282-283

(Sit)

CHOIR: "Jesus, Name Above All Names" (*SPI students*)

Old Testament Reading

¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²And Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. ³And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he said, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁴Elijah said to him, "Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. ⁵The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁶Then Elijah said to him, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and

2 Kings 2:1-12

as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me." ¹⁰And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so." ¹¹And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²And Elisha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more.

Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

L This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN RESPONSE: *LSB 583, "God Has Spoken by His Prophets"*

Epistle

¹²Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, ¹³not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end.

¹Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ²But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³And even

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HYMN RESPONSE: *LSB 704, "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"*

(Stand)

Holy Gospel

²And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for

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(Sit)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: *LSB 413, "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"*

SERMON *(Based on the Holy Gospel of the Day)*

2 Corinthians 3:12-13; 4:1-6

if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. ⁴In 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. ⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Mark 9:2-9

Elijah." ⁶For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." ⁸And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (P: Lord, in Your mercy: **hear our prayer.**) We include our shut-ins, those on our hearts and minds, and the following:

Jim Hammond (Vickie's husband; undergoing treatments)

Frank Bittner (Woodcrest)

Rita Gerke (home)

Max Fuelling (home)

Kay Brown (sister of David and Lynn Matthews; at home in GA, receiving therapy)

Dr. Cynthia Matthews

Julaine Hockemeyer (mother of Lori Conrad)

Faith Gibson (grandniece of Jim & Joyce Gariepy; in Pennsylvania)

Sarah Biskupski (Traverse City, MI; wife of one of Pastor's nephews)

(Updates: Keith Scherer and Abby Hegerfeld are greatly improved)

BENEDICTION

HYMN TO DEPART: LSB 417, "Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

*(Sung as a "farewell to Alleluia", since Lent begins this Feb. 14, Ash Wednesday.
'Alleluia' will not be sung again until Easter Sunday.)*

Organist: Stephanie Klinker

Deacons: Steve Fuelling (Head), Louie Fuelling, Andy Wolf, Dan DeLong

Elders: Dale Busick, Jim Fuelling, John Fuelling (Head), Louie Fuelling

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERINGS: Home Purpose- \$1,725.00; Missions- \$720.00; Total Offerings- \$2,445.00.

PASTOR MOEHRING HAS ANNOUNCED that he will retire from the full-time ministry this next July 1, 2018. Judy Moehring will continue to teach at Bethlehem Lutheran School, rural Ossian. They will be seeking housing in the general Fort Wayne area.

BIDS ARE BEING ACCEPTED AGAIN for the position of church grounds custodian. Job description sheets are available at the deacons' desk. Bids should be submitted to one of the trustees (Vern Witte- head trustee, Doyle Fuelling, Jim Gariepy, or Alex Myers) by **March 1st, 2018.**

A FREE WILL DONATION will be taking place in the Narthex for the next 3 Sundays to help offset some of the costs of the church lights.

2018-2019 ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULES are available in the Narthex on the Deacons' desk.

ATTENTION COOKIE BAKERS: The Ladies Bible Study group is planning to deliver a plate of cookies to each of the St. Peter shut-ins for Valentine's Day. Anyone who would like to bake cookies for this Valentine's event should bring their cookies to church on Sunday, February 11, as they will be packaged at the Ladies Bible Study meeting that afternoon. Thank you in advance for your generous assistance.

DVD COPIES OF THE DECATUR CIRCUIT REFORMATION SERVICE (from last Sept. 9th) are available for \$10.00 from Pastor Moehring. There are a limited number of the DVD's, but more can be ordered as needed. Proceeds will go into St. Peter Home Purpose.

THE SEASON OF LENT, 2018 + Theme: "Words of Life from the Cross"

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, 7:00 pm, Service of Holy Communion

Theme: "The Pardoning Word"

Wed., Feb. 21, 7:00 pm + "The Promising Word"

Wed., Feb. 28, 7:00 pm + "The Faithful Word"

Wed., March 7, 7:00 pm + "The Compassionate Word"

Wed., March 14, 7:00 pm + "The Suffering Word"

Wed., March 21, 7:00 pm + "The Dying Word"

"WORSHIP ANEW" can be viewed on the following stations:

Sunday, 7:00 a.m., NBC-TV 21.2, Fort Wayne

Sunday, 8:00 a.m., WISE-TV 21.3, Fort Wayne; FiOS Cable 9

Sunday, 11:30 a.m., DIRECTV 377 & DISH 7442

Sunday & Monday, 4:00 p.m., Comcast 55 & FiOS 25

Monday, 10:00 a.m., Comcast 55 and FiOS 25

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" can be heard on the following radio stations:

WZBD-FM 92.7, Sundays, 8:05 am WOWO-AM 1190, Sundays, 11:30 am

WFCV-AM 1090, Sundays, 3:30 pm

LUTHERAN INTERNET PROGRAMMING

1) LISTEN TO WORLDWIDE KFUE.org... your radio station for practical Lutheran talk, daily Bible and Confession studies, current issues from a Lutheran worldview, and daily worship opportunities. This week, we look forward to the penitential season of Lent with study of God's Word. Tune into the Ash Wednesday chapel service at 11:00 am, this Wed., Feb. 14; also, hear about Camp Courage on "The Coffee Hour" with Andy and Sarah (Feb. 12 @ 10:00 am); begin studying the Gospel of Mark on "Sharper Iron" (weekdays @ 9:00 am); and, continue walking through 2 Kings on "Thy Strong Word" (weekdays @ 12 Noon). Join us! Archived at KFUE.org.

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2) WHERE CHRISTIANITY MEETS CULTURE... *Issues, Etc.* is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL; and is hosted by Missouri Synod Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Early Warning Signs of Fascism; Western Civilization: Bane or Blessing?; Dave Ramsey & Financial Peace University; Late-Term Abortions; and more. You can listen to what you want, when you want, at www.issuesetc.org **This program is available only on the Internet!**

3) LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO... "Sacred Music for the World"; listen to the music of the Church anytime, at LutheranPublicRadio.org, **available only on the Internet.**

4) CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, FORT WAYNE, live streaming of daily chapel service and special services; go to the Seminary's home page at www.ctsfw.edu, and click on the proper link on the right side of the home page.

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY'S (FEB. 18) READINGS

Genesis 22:1-18 James 1:12-18 Mark 1:9-15

Christ Jesus Defeats Our Temptation and Saves Us by His Faithfulness

In faith and the fear of God, Abraham prepared to sacrifice his beloved son, Isaac. At the Word of the Lord, he "took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son." And "when they came to the place of which God had told him," Abraham bound Isaac "and laid him on the altar" (Gen. 22:6, 9). Then God stayed Abraham's hand and provided "for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering" (Gen. 22:8). That Lamb is God's own beloved Son, Jesus, in Whom "all the nations of the earth" are blessed (Gen. 22:18). As the Substitute for all the sons of men, Jesus is driven by the Spirit "into the wilderness" to be "tempted by Satan" (Mark 1:12-13) in order to endure and defeat all temptation. We are tempted by our own desire, which conceives and "gives birth to sin" (James 1:14-15). But this blessed Man, Christ Jesus, remained "steadfast under trial," and He has received "the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love Him" (James 1:12). His faithfulness, His victory, and His life are now given to us by His grace in the Gospel.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEB. 11th, 2018

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service (<i>Sunday School and Bible Class after</i>)
	3:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study
TUESDAY	9:30 am	Decatur Circuit Pastors, at Seminary
	7:00 pm	SPI School Board
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am	SPI Chapel Service
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Communion Service
THURSDAY	9:00 am	Quilting (tba)
	9:30 am	Pastors' Study Group, at Bingen
	1:30 pm	Holy Communion Service at Woodcrest for Missouri Synod residents



Cougar Chat

Put on the Whole Armor of God. Ephesians 6:10-18

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Calendar

- 2/9—Parent's Night Out
- 2/11—K-8 Sing @ St. Peter
- 2/14—Ash Wednesday
- 2/16—NO SCHOOL (Teacher In-Service)
- 2/17—RSVP deadline for SPIrit Night 2018
- 2/19 - NO SCHOOL President's Day
- 3/3—SPIRIT Night 2018 Doors open @ 5:00 pm

Please join us for the 17th annual
SPIRIT NIGHT
 CHARITABLE AUCTION & DINNER
SATURDAY, MARCH 03

St Peter - Immanuel Lutheran School
 3845 E 1100 N
 Denison, IN 46733

Doors open at 5:00 PM
 Dinner Buffet 6:30 PM
 RSVP by February 17, 2018

Tickets can now be ordered online:
<https://spils.ejoinme.org/spiritnight2018tickets>

Fundraising for the 2018 DC Trip

The next Parent's Night Out is March 9th

Please bring your paper to the Paper Gator at SPI!

(Please, no corrugated cardboard)

We also recycle aluminum cans! (The recycling bin is located inside the building)

Pizza Hut Fund Raiser: Over \$120 in Discounts
 For more information or to purchase a card, please stop by the office, ask a middle school student or email Ms. LeBeau at llebeau@spilutheran.org.

Attention 8th Grade Parents

with a student attending Heritage High School! A packet of info was sent home earlier this week. Please note the filled out paperwork is due before March 3, 2018.

Meeting is **Wednesday, February 21st @ 6:00 pm** at Heritage High School.

We are still collecting Box Tops for Education. You can send them in with your child to school or drop them off at Church.

Please send in box top labels by February 23rd.



SPI Playground Bench Program:

We are collecting plastic caps for 1 more bench for the playground.

400lbs. Of CAPS + \$200=1 Bench

UPDATE: We have collected 29.8 lbs. as of 1/7

Thank you for helping us reach our first bench goal. Our goal is to collect another 400 lbs. by May for the second bench.

529 Program Changes for Our Lutheran Schools
Get a **20% Indiana Tax Credit** for dollars saved for SPI Tuition.

Please make sure to go to the below link and check out the updated information on the 529 Program!

<http://thelutheranschools.org/2018/01/11/529-program-changes-for-our-lutheran-schools/>

SCRIP NEWS

With the help of the 85 Kroger customers, SPI earned over \$300 for the fourth quarter of 2017. Don't forget to renew your Kroger plus card. Our community reward number is 10148. Thank you.

Karen 341-4787 or Karey 623-6538

Basketball Open Gym

Grades 1-8

Thurs. 2/15/18 5-7 p.m.

Sat. 2/17/18 9-11 a.m.

Mon. 2/19/18 After School-5

Sat. 2/24/18 9-11 a.m.

Mon. 2/26/18 After School-5

Mon. 3/5/18 After School-5

FINAL Scrimmage - Mon. 3/12/18

6-7:30; Pizza party to follow for parents and students!



THANK YOU to everyone who supported our middle school students trip to Washington D.C. at the Hoopster game last week! Pictures and Mr. Phil Thieme's "High 5" from K105 are posted on our Facebook page.



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