# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you are a guest today, please sign our guest book! Welcome here! We're very glad you came!

Children in Worship: We welcome and encourage children to share in worship. Even very young children see faith in action as we pray and sing and commune together. Children's lessons are available at both entrances, or by checking with any of the ush-

Communion: If you are unable to reach the serving pastor during communion - they can come to you. Please let an usher know and they will make sure you receive communion.

**Hearing Assistance:** Devices are available at the sound booth.

Large Print Bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for one for yourself or a loved one!

Cell phones and pagers should be turned to silent.

Washrooms: located in the narthex and Education Wing, upstairs and down.

**Elevator:** located next to the church office.

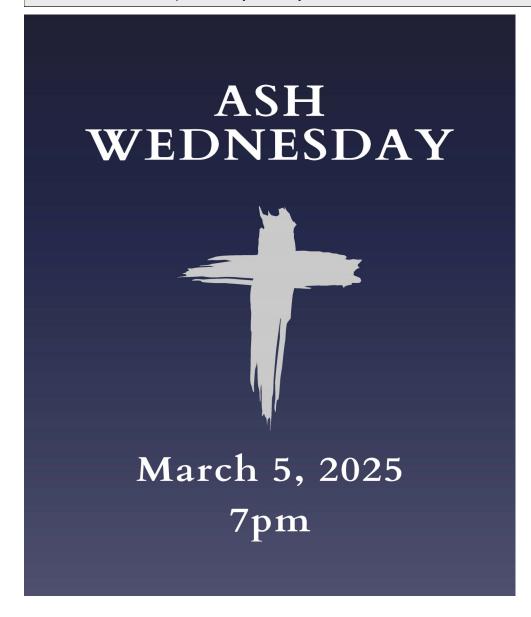
Masks are optional at all services.

Visitation: If you are homebound or in the hospital or know of someone who is and would like to receive visits from our Visitation Team or receive communion at home, please call Jen in the office and she'll make sure you are on the list!

**Drop Box:** The drop box at the side entrance nearest to the office is available for envelopes or small items.

Office Information: Please have all announcements in to the office by Thursdays at 10am if you want them in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday. Bulletins are printed by 11am on Thursdays. If you have events or meetings to go on the monthly calendar, get them to the office the Wednesday before the last Sunday of the month.

Office Hours: 10am to 2pm, Monday to Friday



# Mid-Week Lenten & Holy Week Service Schedule

Ash Wednesday, March 5 7pm Service

Wednesday, March 12 7pm Service

Wednesday, March 19 7pm Service

Wednesday, March 26 7pm Service

Wednesday, April 2 7pm Service

Wednesday, April o 7pm Healing Service

Palm Sunday, April 13 10am Service

Maundy Thursday, April 17 7pm Service

> Good Friday, April 18 10am Service

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# Sunday, March 2nd, 2025 **Welcome to our Family Worship Service** On this the Transfiguration of Our Lord

Sunday, March 2nd

9am - Confirmation

9:30 - Worship Service

9:30 - Sunday School

Coffee Time!!

11am - Family Service

Monday, March 3rd 6:30pm - Junior Youth

Wednesday, March 5th

10am - Quilting

6:30pm - Senior Youth

7pm - Ash Wednesday Service

Sunday, March 9th

9am - Confirmation

9:30 - Worship Service

9:30 - Sunday School

Coffee Time!!

11am - Family Service

Monday, March 10th 6:30pm - Junior Youth

Tuesday, March 11th 7pm - Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 12th

10am - Quilting

6:30pm - Senior Youth 7pm - Midweek Lenten Service

# HOLY COMMUNION

od feeds and renews us with the presence of Jesus Christ. In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. In response to the Lord's invitation I come - confessing my sin, trusting that the Lord is truly present, believing that to receive Him is to receive forgiveness - to partake of the Lord's Supper. People of all ages and faith communities are welcome.

Holy Communion is served in a continuous format unless announced otherwise. Participants are asked to fill out a registration card, available in the pews or at both entrances, and place them in the baskets at the entrances, or in the offering plates.

Ushers will direct you toward the aisle to come forward to the serving stations. If you desire to commune, extend your hand to the server who will place a wafer in your hand. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply say "glutenfree" to the server. Wine is served from the chalice or individual cups; white grape juice is served from individual

Come and hold in your hand and taste on your lips the love we cannot comprehend.

# **OUR MISSION**

God's purpose for St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church is: Accepting all people through God's grace, sharing our faith in Christ. and making disciples.

**KEEP IT REAL! BRING IT HOME!** 



# THE TRANSFIGURATION **OF OUR LORD MARCH 2ND, 2025**

# WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG: "Holy is Our God"

# **GATHERING: PSALM 99**

- L: The LORD is king; let the people tremble. The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- C: The LORD, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.
- L: Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome; God is the Holy One.
- C: O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
- L: Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool; God is the Holy One.
- C: Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your name, O LORD, they called upon you, and you answered them,
- you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.
- C: O LORD our God, you answered them; indeed, you were a God who forgave them yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- L: Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill; for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- L: Merciful God.
- C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.
- L: God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L: Let us pray together,
- C: Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

# CHILDREN'S LESSON

Song: "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

**GOD'S WORD** 

# FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

<sup>29</sup> Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites

saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. 31 But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. 32 Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. 33 When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup> but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup> the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

# SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2

<sup>12</sup>Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup> not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. 14 But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup> but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. 4:1 Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

# HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-43a

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

28 Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. 30 Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup> Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" - not knowing what he said. 34 While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and, in those days, told no one any of the things they had seen. <sup>37</sup> On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup> Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. <sup>39</sup> Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. <sup>40</sup>I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." <sup>41</sup>Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." 42 While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convul-

-sions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. 43a And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

- L: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**MESSAGE** 

Song: "He Is Worthy"

**APOSTLES' CREED** 

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** 

SHARING OF THE PEACE

### **OFFERING**

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

- L: Let us pray together,
- C: Holy God, receive all we bring before you this day, and bring us also to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# THE TABLE

- L: The Lord be with you!
- C: And also with you!
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- C: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.
- L: It is indeed right and good, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For on this day he revealed his glory before his chosen witnesses and filled with divine splendour the human flesh in which he is one with us. So he prepared his disciples to bear the scandal of the cross and showed that in the Church, his body, the same glory would be fulfilled that shone forth from him, its head. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we glorify your name, forever praising you and singing:

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"

- L: On the night in which he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said. "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Therefore we proclaim our faith:
- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- L: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

## Invitation to Communion

L: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

### **COMMUNION SONGS**

"I am the Bread of Life" "Seed. Scattered and Sown"

# POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our

C: Amen.

# THE BLESSING

- L: Christ Jesus, the splendour of the Father and the image of his being, draw you to himself that you may live in his light and share his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
- C: Amen

**SENDING SONG:** "Filled With Your Glory"

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Live in hope!

C: Thanks be to God!

# PRAYER REMINDERS

In your prayers this week, please remember:



Cari Doerksen, Dalia Dyck, Adelaide Freund, Chris Funk, Tina Heckert, Herta Kihn, Tabrina Krentz, Glorian Mehling, Ruby Myran, Brenda Olson, Rev. Leslie Poulin, Gordon & Iris Pylypjuk, Ray Schalla, Helmuth Renz, Khrista Vogt, Mary Wiebe, Bishop Geoff Woodcroft and Don Woroniuk.

# **ALTAR GUILD HELP REQUIRED**

The Altar Guild needs new people! This very important ministry is looking for people to serve as regular members and emergency replacements. It is in particular need for people willing to serve in July and August. Altar Guild is a vital and behind-thescenes ministry which prepares our services of Holy Communion weekly and tidies the altar area. If you are interested please speak to Pastor Tim or Irene Schmidtke. The commitment asked is 1-2 hrs/week as assigned (usually 8 weeks/year for regular members).

# **INSTRUMENTS NEEDED**

In case you haven't noticed, we have a new band and they have been starting to play at the 11am service! They are in need of some musical instruments. If you have a guitar or electric drums to donate, please contact Shari Teetaert or the office.

# **NEW DIRECTORIES**

Please submit an updated digital photo of your family to the office! There is going to be a new edition of the Pictorial Directory in time for September! Kids have grown older, kids have been added, parents have grown grayer and time has passed for all. If you still feel your old picture still looks like you, great it won't change! Get this info to Jen in the office ASAP.

# **THANK YOU**

Thank you to all who have participated in today's services.



ATTENDANCE: February 23, 2025 **Traditional - 119** Contemporary - 30 Sunday School - 34 students, 8 teachers

**OFFERING: \$8594**