

✝ TODAY AT GRACE ✝

Organist: Jan Davis

Elder: Eli Wales

Ushers: Gary Gunther; Bob Maki; Bill Rust; Jeff Stifter; Bob Vandever

Counting Team 4: James Bomber; Roger Ochsner; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust

Church Cleaners: Ochsner

School: K. Baker

✝ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✝

Ushers: Gary Gunther; Bob Maki; Bill Rust; Jeff Stifter; Bob Vandever

Counting Team 1: Dale Enns; Larry Nelson; Ryan Oman; Pat Paplow; Phil Radichel

Hospitality Team 4: Bonnie Baker; Nick & Miranda Duehlmeier; Jenny Kleifgen; Pat & Dawn Paplow

Church Cleaners: Bill Rust/J.Thomas School: Bomber

✝ OUR SCHEDULE ✝

- Sun., Feb. 23:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship Service (Transfiguration)
- Wed., Feb. 26:** **ASH WEDNESDAY** – Midweek Lenten Worship Begins
4:30 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper
7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship w/Lord's Supper
- Sun., Mar. 1:** 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Bible Class & Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Lent 1)
11:00 am – Hospitality
- March 13-15:** CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament @ ILC
- Sun., Mar. 22:** 10:00 am – ILC Tour Choir Concert
- Sun., Apr. 5:** **PALM SUNDAY**
- Fri., Apr. 10:** **GOOD FRIDAY**
- Sun., Apr. 12:** **EASTER**

Last Week's Stats: Feb. 16, 2020 Sun.: 86 S.S.: 16 B.Cl.: 45 Wed.: 27

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$3,738	CLC:	\$670
Weekly Need:	Grace:	4,000	CLC:	950
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	-262	CLC:	-280
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$23,612	CLC:	\$6,165
Year-to-Date Need:	Grace:	28,000	CLC:	6,650
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	-4,388	CLC:	-485
GLC Other: 261	Living Faith: 0	Tuition Aid: 265		
SAF Endowment: 0	MDF: 25	Kinship: 160		
ILC Student Aid: 0	ILC Bldg. 100	IIF: 0	CEF: 0	
Current Balances:	Tuition Aid: \$1,560			

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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Date: February 23, 2020

✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymns:

TLH 130: O Jesus, King of Glory
Once, Upon the Mountain, Sinai (Tune TLH 116)
WS 757: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning
TLH 135: 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalm 148, TLH p. 156 f.

Liturgy:

TLH, p. 5 (Projected)
Gloria: TLH 131:5

Scripture Readings:

Exodus 24:12-18
2 Peter 1:16-21

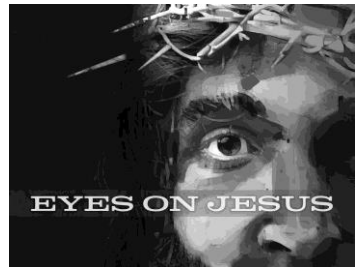
Sermon: Matthew 17:1-9

¹ Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; ² and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. ³ And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. ⁴ Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵ While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!" ⁶ And when the disciples heard *it*, they fell on their faces and were greatly afraid. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them and said, "Arise, and do not be afraid." ⁸ When they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. ⁹ Now as they came down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, "Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is risen from the dead." (NKJVTM)

**A Fitting Résumé
for the Mission of Salvation**

✝ *THE ANNOUNCEMENTS* ✝

- ◆ **Among Us:** Ann Radichel is home recovering from her reconstructive surgery and Pat Paplow is home recovering from his knee replacement, something which was able to be done after a few years of obstacles. May the Lord be with His children during their challenges of this pilgrimage, setting their hearts on Him.
- ◆ **Daily Rest:** The next issue of this devotional booklet has arrived. Subscribers can find their copy in the basket by the mail boxes.
- ◆ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek services will begin Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26, 7 pm. This Lent, we will use the metaphor of eyesight to examine how the various people in Mark's Gospel viewed Jesus during His Passion. In most cases, they misunderstood who He was and what He was doing; then again, sometimes by faith people did recognize Him correctly. We have these 40 days of Lent in which we may look within ourselves as people of faith in our day. How are we like or unlike the people who saw Jesus in the flesh? Most important, as we gather for worship, we will see what Jesus has done to save us from our sins by His holy, precious blood and innocent sufferings and death.
- ◆ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** These gatherings are a way for people to eat between work and our Midweek Lenten worship services. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the Fellowship Hall for those who are willing to provide soup and do setup and cleanup.
- ◆ **ILC Tour Choir:** Grace is hosting the ILC Tour Choir during our Sunday morning worship service at 10 am, Sunday, March 22. This year's tour (March 14-22) will be going south to Texas. Dorcas Guild committee #2 will be hosting a meal for the choir (more details to follow). To support the choir, you may designate "Tour Choir" on your offering in the coming weeks.
- ◆ **Appreciation:** It is with grateful hearts to the Lord that we must confess that the large number of gifts that have been received from various congregations and anonymous individuals have made it difficult to properly express our immense gratitude. Your Christian love, support and prayers on our behalf have been truly humbling and a wonderful encouragement for those of us aspiring to the public ministry. Thank you all, and please continue to keep us in your prayers. John 1:16 For from His fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. - from the College and Seminary Students at Immanuel



- ♦ **Christ Explorers:** Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church in South Carolina is hosting a youth camp August 13-15 for kids in grades 3-9. We also have an opportunity for kids in grades 10 and higher to apply for junior counselor positions as well. Info.: www.christsexplorerscamp.com, follow us on Facebook, or contact Sara Kloke (runsforfun@aol.com) or Karen Howell (kdhowell32@gmail.com).
- ♦ **Mission News:** Jyothi Benjamin in India has been recovering from Typhoid fever and his elderly mother-in-law has bladder cancer. While visiting her, he received a letter of summons to the superintendent of police. He will be returning to his town and going to the station on Monday. Please pray for this difficult situation and that there would not be any impediment to the work of the kingdom.
- ♦ **CLC News:** Pastor Matthew Hanel of St. Matthew Lutheran in Dallas, TX, has received the call to Living Savior Lutheran in Eden Prairie, MN. † Missionary Peter Evenson has been called by Bethel Lutheran in Morris, MN. † Deana Pfeiffer and Leah Fossum accepted their part time teaching calls to Holy Trinity Lutheran in West Columbia, SC.
- ♦ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #18 – Second Article, Part 3

2020 ILC Tour Choir Schedule

Trinity – Millston, WI ----- Sunday, March 8; 10:00 A.M.

St. Paul's, Austin, MN ----- Saturday, March 14; 1:00 P.M.

Resurrection, Corpus Christi, TX -----Monday, March 16; 7:00 P.M.

Location TBD, Conroe, TX -----Tuesday, March 17; 7:00 P.M.

St. Matthew, Dallas, TX -----Wednesday, March 18; 7:00 P.M.

Berea, Sioux Falls, SD -----Friday, March 20; 7:00 P.M.

Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN -----Saturday, March 21; 2:00 P.M.

Immanuel, Mankato, MN ----- Saturday, March 21; 7:30 P.M.

Grace, Fridley, MN -----Sunday, March 22; 10:00 A.M.

Our Redeemer's, Red Wing, MN ----- Sunday, March 22; 3:00 P.M.

Messiah, Eau Claire, WI ----- Sunday, March 29, 6:30 P.M.

Council Meeting Notes – February 9, 2020

Meeting opened with prayer. Installation of Pat Paplow, Board of Trustees. All other new officers were installed on Jan. 26. January Council meetings read and approved. January Treasurer report read and approved.

Pastor's Report

- Sarah Eichstadt has requested that she be removed from membership of the CLC. Motion passed to recommend to Voters to honor her request.
- Joseph Thomas, who has been taking instruction classes with Pastor, has expressed an interest in attending the seminary at ILC. Recently, Joseph was able to travel with Pastor to ILC to check out the campus.
- The theme for the evening Lenten services will be **Eyes on Jesus**. There will be a rotation of different current and retired pastors in the pulpit.

Board of Elders Report

- Nothing new to report.

Board of Education Report

- Mark your calendar: Spring Lake Park parade will be on Thursday, June 4.
- Some discussion on also being in the Fridley parade. The parade organizers don't permit handing out brochures.
- Installation of windows in school doors to begin this coming weekend (Feb. 14-16). The window for Ellen's classroom door will be done later.

Board of Trustees Report

- Business as usual.
- Pastor thanked the Trustees and all those who helped with the work being done in the parsonage.

Other Business

- Benno mentioned that he would like to make a set of 3 wooden crosses to hang on the North wall of the Fellowship Hall. Council approved idea.
- The Organ Fund is now receiving offerings and totals will be shown on future Treasurer reports.
- An invoice for snow plowing hasn't been received. The Trustees will look into obtaining one.
- Phil is still investigating how to contribute stocks to Grace.
- Rick will be returning soon to his research on obtaining an automated external defibrillator (AED).
- Rick and Bill will be working with Wells Fargo to finish paperwork to add them as Key Executives.

Adapted from minutes submitted by Secretary William Rust

ONCE, UPON THE MOUNTAIN, SINAI

(A Transfiguration Hymn)

1. Once, upon the mountain, Sinai,
God in glory did appear,
Showing wonders of salvation;
Grace and mercy, love so clear;
Grace that pardons lowly sinners;
Love that holds us all so dear.

2. Once, upon a mountain sacred,
God in glory did appear,
As our Lord did shine so brightly,
Like the sun on earth so drear.
Can it be? Oh, praise the story:
God as man dwelt with us here?

3. Once on Calv'ry's holy mountain,
God in glory did appear,
But that glory then was hidden,
As he suffered pain severe.
Now those cries of bitter anguish
Speak forgiveness in our ear.

4. Once upon the Mount of Olives,
God in glory did appear,
Far above this earth ascending,
From our sight to disappear.
Yet, His promise shows us that He
Always shall be with us here.

5. Now from mountain unto mountain
Praises echo far and near,
That our sins are all forgiven!
Christ casts out our greatest fear.
This has now become our glory:
God in glory shall appear.



Written by Professor John Pfeiffer
(Sung to the Tune of Hymn: LH 116)



The Lord's Prayer

“Who *doesn't* know the Lord's Prayer by heart?” Most people, even non-Christians, know the Lord's Prayer, or parts of it, by memory. The familiar words of this prayer can easily come to mind for most people. But that familiarity is a double-edged sword. If you're anything like me, you may have the unfortunate habit of skimming over this prayer as you say it. The words come easily, but the meaning gets left behind. I encourage you to try slowing down and meditating upon each phrase of the prayer to better focus on the meaning of these wonderful words of our Savior. It will help with not only your understanding of the prayer, but also how it can be applied in your faith life.

Of course, this is exactly what Martin Luther did as he was compiling the Small Catechism. Each part of the Lord's Prayer was put into seven sections called “Petitions”. For the purpose of this article, I'd like to apply each piece of this prayer to evangelism.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name

The substance of your outreach should be rooted in our Heavenly Father, and in Him alone.

Your kingdom come

The action item of an advertisement is sometimes named the CTA, or Call to Action. When you evangelize, what is your CTA? What is your purpose? It should be the expansion of the Kingdom of God, the one that has been established in each believer's heart.

Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven

Evangelism can go hand-in-hand with skepticism: *Will anyone listen?, Will anyone care?, Will they laugh at me?* Excuses abound: *We don't have enough money in our budget, I'm not a good public speaker, I'm too busy.* Instead of worrying about the success of your outreach or your own abilities, put everything in God's hands. Simply preach the Word and say “Your will be done”.

Give us today our daily bread

This is similar to “Your will be done.” It's too easy to worry about the “stuff” of evangelism: money, resources, time, volunteers, personal abilities. But as we have learned from the Word time and time again, so we believe: God will provide.

Continued on opposite side

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us

God's love for us was no more clearly shown than when He sent Jesus to die for our sins. Through that sacrifice we are forgiven for every single sin we commit. While it is important to include the law in our outreach messaging, it is even more important to deliver the good news of the forgiveness of the sins of the world. We don't need fancy words or logic to convince people. We simply need the message of Christ and what His sacrifice means to us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil

As with every other aspect of our life, temptations will arise in our evangelism efforts. You may get obvious temptations to quit evangelizing. But more likely, subtle temptations will arise to become complacent or to divert the focus of your outreach to the quality of your speech, to the beauty of your church facility, or to the size of your congregation.

As we have heard elsewhere in this prayer, focus on the Word of God alone. His will is behind your message. We also know that everyone's days are numbered, while there are many who have not yet heard of our Savior. We should not ignore the Divine call to spread the Gospel.

The Lord's Prayer is short and easy to remember. But don't let that simplicity fool you. These words from Christ are powerful and not to be overlooked. They can apply to every aspect of your life, including outreach, and should be a frequent consideration in your devotions at home or your daily interactions with others.

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The **Committee of Domestic Fields** is a subcommittee of the CLC Mission Board. "The purpose of the Committee on Domestic Fields (CDF) is to make outreach ideas and material available to CLC congregations and to encourage them in carrying out the Great Commission of our Savior, Jesus Christ."