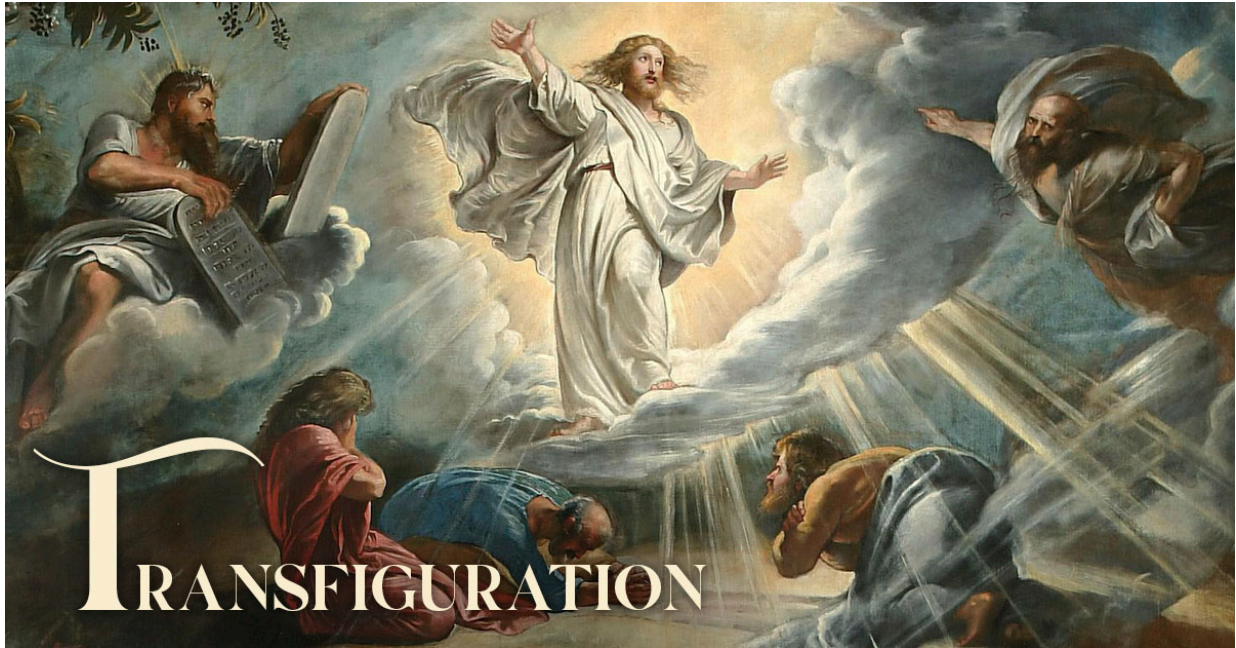


# Transfiguration of Our Lord



**March 2, 2025**

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**We welcome you to our worship today!**

*The Mission Statement of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, White Clay Lake, is to provide for the Christian welfare of all God's people through the administering of the Sacraments, worship services, gatherings of Christ-centered groups, caring for the sick and needy, offering the forgiveness of sins through the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and reaching out to the unchurched, showing love and concern.*

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until he comes.

Because these who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed (confirmed), in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34. "Please refer to pg 329 in the hymnal to prepare for the Supper."

## Today's Worship Service

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Opening Hymn	Choir	<i>Christ, We Climb With You the Mountain</i>
Sermon Hymn	#412	<i>The People That in Darkness Sat</i>
Communion	#568	<i>If Your Beloved Son, O God</i>
Hymns	Printed	<i>Feed Us Now</i>
Closing Hymn	#417	<i>Alleluia, Song of Gladness</i>

*Please remember to sign the fellowship pad each week. Thank you.  
There are large print hymnals available in the narthex.*

## CHURCH CALENDAR & SCHEDULE

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday, March 2 ~ Transfiguration</b></p> <p>8:30 AM Worship w/LS            9:45 AM Youth &amp; Adult Sunday School            10 AM Worship (SP)            Noon Dartball Tourney @ Hayes            4 PM Adult Education            5:45 PM Evening Prayer            6:00 PM Confirmation Class  <i>Greeters - Betsy S. &amp; Diane S.            Acolyte - Cheyann Smith</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday, March 9</b></p> <p>8:30 AM Worship            9:10 AM Sunday School (SP)            9:45 AM Youth Sunday School            10 AM Worship (SP)            3 PM Private Confession            4 PM Adult Education            5:45 PM Evening Prayer            6:00 PM Confirmation Class  <i>Greeters - Treptow Family</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monday, March 3</b></p> <p>9 AM Matins            6 PM Chimes            7 PM Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><i>Upcoming Greeter Schedule</i></u>            March 12 (Wed) - Kathy V.            March 16 - Wickesbergs            March 19 - Ann &amp; Alyvia Boerst</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday, March 4</b></p> <p>8-Noon Pastor in office            5:15 PM Burning of the Palms (SP)            6 PM Romans (SP)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><i>Upcoming Acolyte Schedule</i></u>            March 16 - MacKenzie Stanke            March 30 - Logan Brede</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ash Wednesday, March 5</b></p> <p>8:30 AM Matins            9 AM Romans            11 AM Worship w/LS &amp; meal (SP)            6 PM Soup Dinner            7 PM Worship w/LS  <i>Greeters - Arvey Family</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><i>Upcoming Lent Meals</i></u>            Ash Wednesday - Treptow's            March 12 - <i>open</i>            March 19 - church musicians            March 26 - <i>open</i>            April 2 - Arvey's            April - Youth Group</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday, March 6</b></p> <p>8-Noon Pastor at SP            9 AM Matins            7 PM LWML Meeting</p>	<p><b>Elder</b>  <b>Steve Daskam</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday, March 7</b></p> <p>9 AM Matins</p>	<p><b>Attendance for Feb. 23 - 75</b></p>

Today we "Bury the Alleluia" from our worship, removing its joy from our lips for the next 40-odd days. We do this to draw us closer to the heart of Lent-Christ's sacrifice on our behalf. Our closing hymn today reflects this practice. Here are a couple of good quotes on why we do such: *"We desist from saying Alleluia, the song chanted by angels, because we have been excluded from the company of the angels on account of Adam's sin. In the Babylon of our earthly life we sit by the streams, weeping as we remember Sion. For as the children of Israel in an alien land hung their harps upon the willows, so we too must forget the Alleluia song in the season of sadness, of penance, and bitterness of heart."*

*"Thus the Alleluia is sung for the last time and not heard again until it suddenly bursts into glory during the Mass of the Easter Vigil when the celebrant intones this sacred word after the Epistle, repeating it three times, as a jubilant herald of the Resurrection of Christ."*

## Church Prayers

Please keep the following in your prayers:

**Immanuel Members:** Rebecca Bonnin, Roy & Mary Ellen Fischer, Judy Manthei, Steve Olson, Al & Tammy Manthei, Bill Voelz, Bob Hoppe, Brice Huntington, & Glenn Schreiber

**Sunday School Students:** Logan, Merrik & Chris Brede, Caylee Caldwell, Karson Fletcher, Kaylee, Morgan & Hudson Kornaus, Letty Krueger, Jayden Manthei, Grady Rosenlund, Sawyer & Ella Schmidt, Cheyann & Deanna Smith, Nevaeh & Addison Stanek, MacKenzie & Aaron Stanke, Amelia Tauchen

**St. Paul Members:** David Korth, Dan Schutt, Judy Specht, & Lois Weisnicht

**Expectant Mothers:** Megan Steinke

**Friends:** Ernie Pelky, Pam Beilfuss, Lucille Tess, Marvin & Judy Kostka, Parker Koeppin, Bo Halla, Carissa Baker, Ginger Heller, Bryan Poirier, & Terri Kowalczyk

## Church Announcements

We remember in our prayers Pastor Hyvonen and his family as they mourn the death of Diane. A free will offering will be collected in the narthex for the family, as well as a card available to sign if you wish.

Tuesday, March 4 is called "**Shrove Tuesday**," the day before Ash Wednesday when you are to prepare yourself for the coming season of Lent. While the world spends it in revelry and debauchery (think New Orleans & Mardi Gras), the Church does it in prayer (and maybe pancakes 🥞). We will hold a Vespers service at St Paul where we will be burning last year's palms to prepare the ashes for the next day. Service will be from 5:15-5:45 pm.

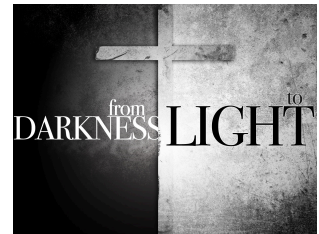
With Lent upon us, Pastor will be offering time for **Private Confession & Absolution** as a means of pastoral care, on Sunday's from 3-3:45 pm at IM, or by appointment.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to sign-up for Easter flowers.

On Saturday, March 15, everyone is invited to join us for the new movie, "**The Last Supper**" at the GB theatre. We will go to the 1 pm showing, with a supper to follow if people wish. If you would like to carpool, we'll leave IM by noon.

The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, March 5, where we will pick up our Lenten services at St Paul (11 am) & Immanuel (7 pm). This year we are participating in a round-robin with Circuit 13. Pastor will lead services on Ash Wed and one other Wednesday, with another pastor leading the worship the other weeks. The theme is "Faith in the Midst of Darkness." We will be holding a lunch/snack after worship at SP and dinner at IM. Please sign up at each congregation.

Ash Wed: March 5-Pastor Craig  
March 12-Pastor Fehrmann, St Paul, Bonduel *"Walking in Darkness"*  
March 19-Pastor Craig *"Birth of Darkness"*  
March 26-Pastor Kleinschmidt, St. Jakobi *"Falling into Darkness"*  
April 2-Pastor Zobel/Kaiser, St. James *"Hiding in Darkness"*  
April 9-Pastor Conradt, Hermansfort & Stony Hill *"Living in Darkness"*



**2025 Self Denial** envelopes are in your mailboxes. This year self denial is designated for the roof. Also in your mailbox you will find a **Lent & Holy Week Postcard** you can keep for yourself or mail to a friend or family member. More are available in the narthex.

There will be a **soup dinner** held before our 7 PM Ash Wednesday service so we can leave the service in quiet reflection.

At the special voters meeting last week, the following items were discussed:

- Air Conditioning was tabled until the October meeting
- We will sponsor a 15 minute radio broadcast weekly on WTCH at 7:30 Sunday mornings beginning next Sunday, March 9. A sign-up sheet & sponsor envelopes are in the narthex if you wish to sponsor a Sunday (\$60).
- There will be **NO** Spring Potato Pancake Dinner this year.

Immanuel will be serving at **Charlie's Red Barn** August 21, 22, 23. Sign ups will be out soon. We are also on the reserved list for another spot if it opens. Thanks to Lynn Wickesberg for heading this up.

Please have bulletin information turned in by Noon on Thursday. You can email the information to [IMWCLsec@gmail.com](mailto:IMWCLsec@gmail.com) or [tashatreptow@gmail.com](mailto:tashatreptow@gmail.com), or they can be left on my desk or in my mailbox. Thanks!

**FREE RESOURCES:** Check out the **Weekly Devotions** for the week for you to use at home in the narthex, produced from Around the Word Journal. There is a **monthly calendar** produced by CPH that is great for all ages.

**The Lutheran Hour** for March 9 "Unless a Grain of Wheat Dies" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Do you want a life that amounts to more than a hill o' beans? Hear how Christ's death and resurrection gives us life with God that can't be measured. (John 12:24) The Lutheran Hour can be heard on Sundays at 10 AM on 102.7 FM WRVM.

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