

CLC Weekly Update - February 27th, 2022

Transfiguration of Our Lord

"This is my Son, my Chosen;
listen to him!"

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

this Sunday, February 27 at 9:30AM

Pastor Erin Evans preaching

please visit us at: <https://www.clcmillvale.com>

WORSHIP WITH US

Transfiguration of Our Lord

First Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

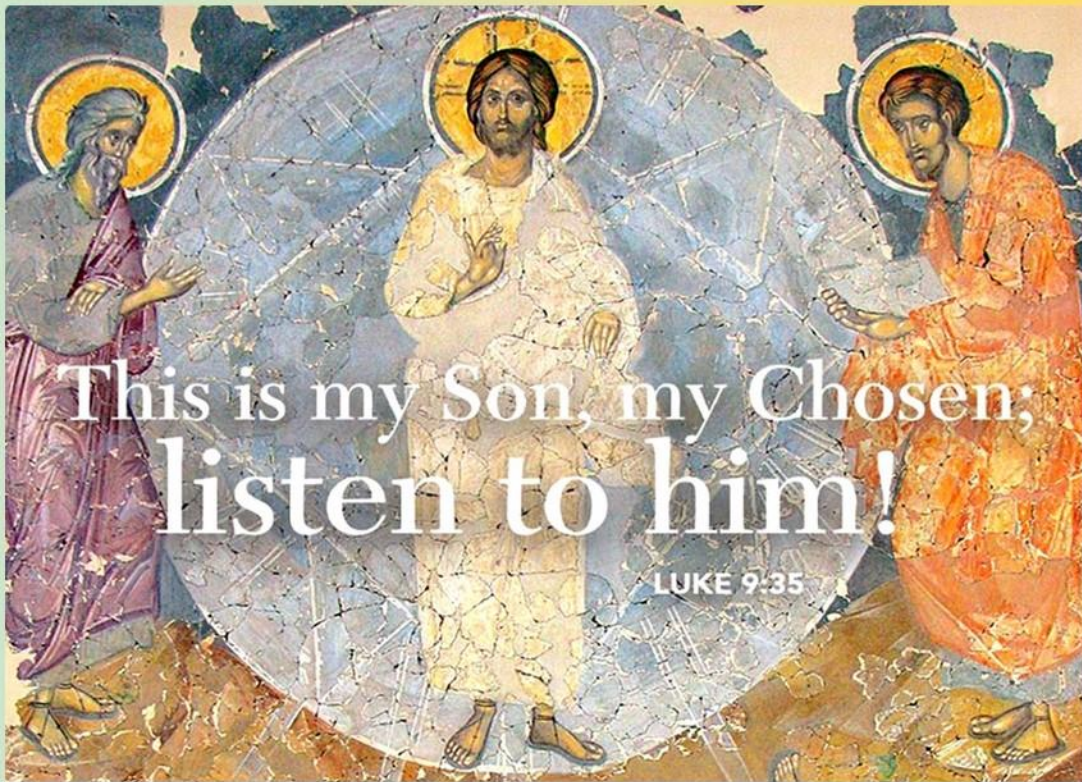
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Second Reading:

2 Corinthians 3:12--4:2

Looking for a
Church that
serves the
Community?

In the neighborhood...
For good.



Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.



March 2nd 7:00pm

Worship with Holy Communion & Imposition of Ashes



Now is the time for members and friends of CLC to step up their support of our Food Pantry!

The outpouring of generous donations is evident, but can you spare a few hours of your time each month to work at the Pantry?

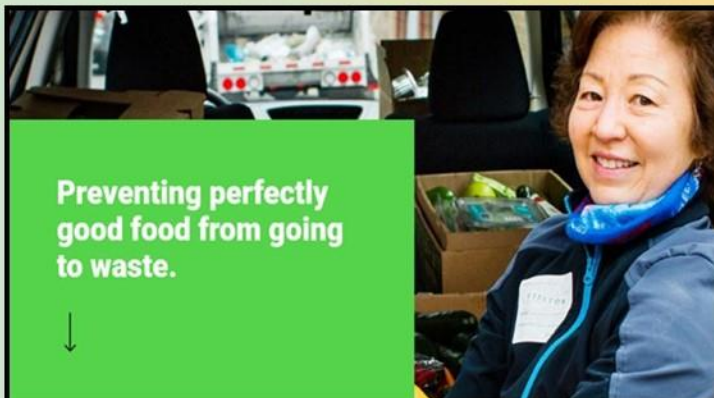
The Food Pantry is currently open from 9:30am-11:30am on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. We would like to keep this same schedule through March, while thinking about ways we can make changes and involve more volunteers (and feed more clients) who typically work weekdays. The council is committed to this work, and we'll be putting together a group of supporters soon to brainstorm next steps.

Right now we need volunteers to pack groceries for clients on weekday mornings. Sign-up with this link, and see for yourself the great ministry happening here on a daily basis. See your Weekly Update for online sign in or go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eaea722a4ff2-food>

MEETING AFTER CHURCH on SUNDAY, MARCH 13th

For all interested volunteers and supporters of the food pantry! Let's brainstorm, collaborate, and review the work that needs to happen!

The CLC Food Pantry is open 9:30-11:30am on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.



Preventing perfectly good food from going to waste.



Special Volunteers Needed to receive donations at CLC

Because of our Food Pantry's partnership with **412 Food Rescue**, donations of fresh food can come at any

time during the week

Black History Month



Did you know that the ELCA has an African Descent Ministry?

"Engaging, involving and investing in the gifts, interests and capacity of people of African descent in every aspect of the life of this church"

Check the link for the amazing and inspiring videos they created this month!!



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ELCA African Descent Ministry "Talks at the Desk" Videos

(Black Girl Magic, Black Boy Joy, Our Black Church, and Black Lives Matter)

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/100064629226454/309022031015922/>

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Do Black Churches Matter in the ELCA?:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtD41cytL9Q>

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The Mother of Black Lutheranism in America: <https://www.livinglutheran.org/2021/02/the-mother-of-black-lutheranism-in-america/>

The First African American Woman Lutheran Pastor:

<https://www.pressreader.com/usa/chicago-sun-times/20141217/282102045018096>

The First Deaconess of African Descent - Sister Emma Francis:

<https://www.facebook.com/LSSVI/posts/today-is-the-birthday-of-sister-emma->



A Transfiguration Transition

Joseph Imhoff

The third season of the Church year is closing, Advent, Christmas, Epiphany; Epiphany as you remember is the 'aha moment' when something is revealed, over the past seven Sundays it has been the revelations of who Jesus is, the acknowledgement by the Magi, his baptism by John, the wedding at Cana, there are so many more.

This Sunday is one of the greatest of those moments, witnessed by only a few, Peter, James and John; Jesus goes up a mountain and becomes 'radiant in the glory'. Not only does he shine with bright rays of light, he enters into conversation with Moses representing the Law and Elijah the Prophets. Moses had died and was buried never entering the Promised Land because he and Aaron had not trusted God at Meribah. Elijah had been 'taken up into heaven' in front of Elisha, his successor. Both were now alive in the presence of the Son of God indicating this is possible for all who have faith.

This is the time and place that human nature meets God, the temporal and the eternal, Jesus himself being the bridge between heaven and earth.

St. Maximus concluded that the senses of the apostles were transfigured to enable them to perceive the true glory of Christ. In spite of the voice from the cloud, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him," the three came away with

CLC Council News:

- Council recently filled two vacancies for this year. Thanks to Jean Thens and Joe Imhoff for agreeing to take those spots on council!
- Pastor Evans' interim contract will be up for renewal in April, and this discussion will be a part of our council agenda for March. If you have any input or questions regarding this process please don't hesitate to reach out to Council President, Lennie Jansen.

March 2nd
7PM

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Thank You From Dorie and Fran Budzick:

Dear Members and Friends of CLC,

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you! As you heard in church on Sunday, Fran and I are resigning from the food pantry as of February 28. We wanted to take a moment to say one

Glimpses of Glory



Sometimes transformation happens before our very eyes without us even noticing it.

God's glory was on full display for the disciples that day on the mountaintop, and as people of faith, we profess that God's transforming power is still at work among us today. But if we are waiting for a dazzling mountaintop moment, we just might miss God's glorious work happening in and around us in

real time. These are the pivotal moments that change our perspective, invite us to embark on a new adventure in discipleship, and expand our capacity for love of God and neighbor. These are the moments when Christ is revealed to us. With generations before us, we too are invited to enter the mysteries of faith.

Perhaps Christ is revealed in the chaos of a children's choir, in kneading bread that will nourish bodies, in the careful stitches of quilters that will bring warmth to a cold night. Perhaps you have glimpsed God's glory in the casseroles lovingly prepared for funerals, in a baby shower for teenage parents, in a meal shared among unlikely table mates. Maybe you have been surprised to find Jesus' love in the eyes of a stranger. Maybe you have experienced God's transformative power in the hard work of justice, in the learning and

Upcoming Commemorations

George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

John Wesley, died 1791; Charles Wesley, died 1788; renewers of the church

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

These brothers led a revival originally intended to remain within the Church of England, one that involved frequent communion and advocacy for the poor. Except for a brief time in America, they worked in England. Charles was also a prolific hymn writer. After their deaths, their work led to the formation of the Methodist Church.

Prayer of the Day

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



The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. ✝

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