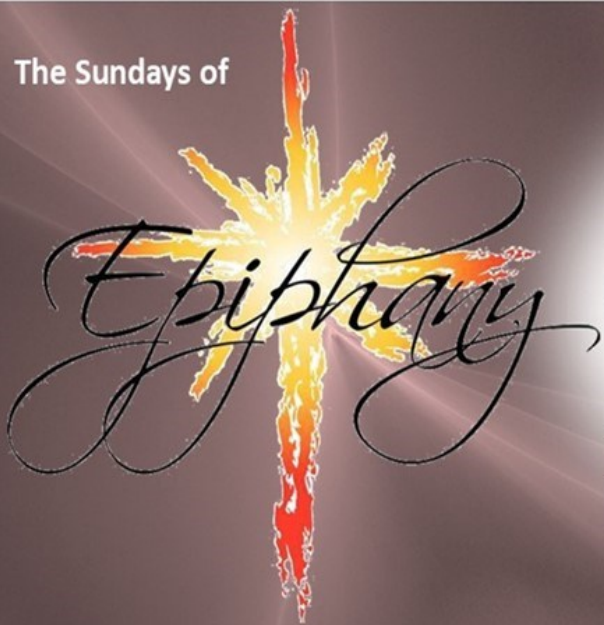




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# Ash Wednesday Service



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 AT 7:00PM  
HOLY COMMUNION WITH  
IMPOSITION OF ASHES

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February 11 at 9:30AM, In-Person Worship

## WORSHIP WITH US

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Last Sunday after Epiphany

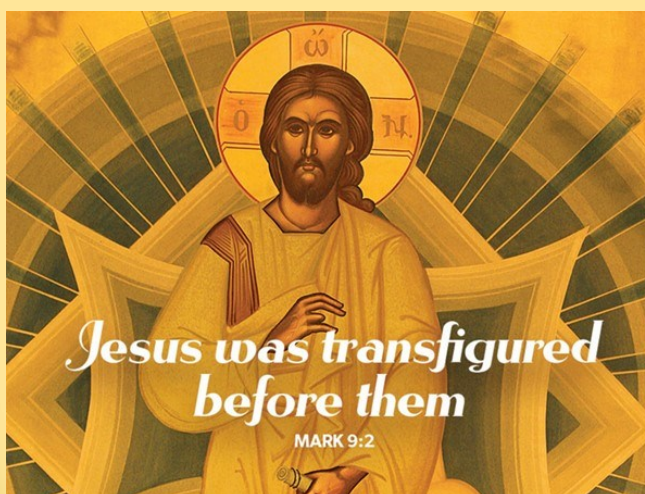
First Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalms 50:1-6

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Gospel: Mark 9:2-9

Pastor Erin Evans preaching



The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's Beloved. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see. ~

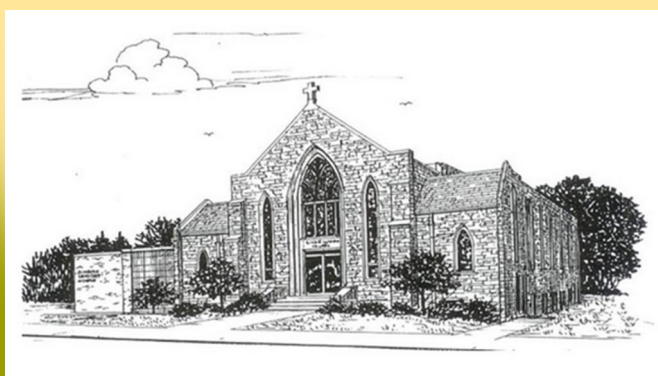
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## ASHES TO GO

I will be present in the community on Ash Wednesday, Feb 14th from 12-1pm, near the corner of Grant and Sherman, for **"Ashes To Go"**. I'll have a table and two chairs, ashes, prayers, and info for people who ask about our church programs. I can pray with people, hear confession, hear laments, answer questions, and make a connection. Here's what others have said about **Ashes to Go**...

- **Ashes to Go provides a connection point for those who are unable to attend a regularly scheduled Ash Wednesday service.** Maybe they have small kids with bedtimes, or don't drive after dark, or have scheduling conflicts. **Ashes to Go** provides a meaningful rite that fits with the schedule people have, rather than the one we wish they had.
- **Ashes to Go provides an approachable option** for those who are unwilling to attend a regular Ash Wednesday service. People who have experienced trauma in church settings or who feel unwelcome in their home congregation may be hungering for an option like this.
- **Ashes to Go offers a meaningful interaction that some might even prefer.** Even when the encounter moves very quickly, there's more time for individual prayer, ministry, and connection than there is during the imposition of ashes that happens in a regular Ash Wednesday service.



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## **SPIRITUAL DRUMMING**

**After the popularity of our Lenten Wednesday Evenings last year, we've decided to do it again!** Pastor Erin and Pat Bauer will again lead **Spiritual Drumming on Wednesdays in Lent at 7pm.** This 45 minute experience will combine open-ended questions and prayers, with short readings and blessings, as we drum together.

Drumming has been used in nearly every faith for the purpose of experiencing the sacredness of God. The earliest music one experiences is the heartbeat of their mother. The simple heartbeat is the sound of the universe – the sound of life. Drumming is a time-honored method of uniting people, and the power of drumming multiplies on many levels in a group of drummers. Share in the prayers and rhythmic energy of the drum as we lift our prayers up to God. No previous music experience is necessary, and drums will be provided.

***February 21 and 28 and March 6 and 13. ~***

### **In case of emergency....**



**Did you know** we have an emergency defibrillator? It's on the wall, near the office and food pantry check-in table.

**Did you know** we have Narcan available? With the first aid kits in the narthex and in the office too!

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**SOUPER  
BOWL!**

**ARE YOU  
TEAM TOMATO  
OR TEAM CHICKEN  
NOODLE??**

**TWO FAVORITES FACE-OFF!**

**BRING YOUR SOUP TO CHURCH ON  
FEBRUARY 11TH AND THE TEAM WITH  
THE MOST CANS COLLECTED WINS!**



**CLC FOOD PANTRY**  
Donations are requested for

**SOUP**

The Food Pantry is Open Mondays and Fridays from 9:30am to 11:30am, and on Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm.

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## TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

### Just Listen

There are transfiguration moments in everyday life that can absolutely stop us in our tracks with the glory of Christ's presence: The smell of a new baby. Flowering trees blooming in the spring. The embrace of a friend when we need them most. Voices raised in cries for justice. The bravery of difficult conversations. The sacred minutes just before death. It may not be Jesus in dazzling clothes or a visit from the ancestors on a mountaintop, but by God's grace, we perceive the love of Christ shining brightly in these ordinary, yet holy, moments.

When they happen to us, what are we to do? It can be difficult, when in the presence of the divine, to know quite what to say. Peter, grasping at straws, offered to make three dwellings. You can't blame him—we all make weird choices when we are terrified! But a voice came from heaven: "Listen." It is not necessary to do or say anything. This moment is simply a gift. Our job is only to listen to Jesus. Have you ever spent time just listening? Maybe outdoors, on a hike or in a park—listening to the sounds of creation. Or during a quiet moment in worship—the sound of cars driving by outside, or your neighbor breathing, or your own heart beating. Perhaps you have listened compassionately to a loved one who didn't need advice but just needed to be heard.

As people accustomed to doing, we can find it challenging to just listen. We may have learned that it is important for us to have something to say, something to offer, something to provide. But the good news of grace is that Christ's love has come to us even before we could do anything. That's why we baptize even helpless infants. That's why, when we come to communion, we do so with hands outstretched and empty, ready to receive: "This is the body of Christ." All we can do is listen . . . and say, "Amen." ~

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## **This Week at CLC:**



### **Sunday**

#### **Transfiguration of Our Lord**

**February 11 - 8:30am Sunday School**

**CLC Sunday Worship Service at 9:30am**

### **Monday**

**February 12 - 9:30-11:30am Food Pantry**

5-6 TOPS Club, 6-7 Yoga, 6:30-8pm ESL.

**6pm Council Meeting**

### **Tuesday**

**February 13 - 9am to 3pm 412 Food Rescue**

### **Wednesday**

**February 14 - 12pm Ashes to Go**

**7pm Service Ash Wednesday**

4-8pm Anchorpoint Community Counseling,

**5-7pm FOOD PANTRY**

6:30-8pm ESL Tutoring,

**6-7pm Choir Practice**

### **Thursday**

**February 15 - 6pm ESL Tutoring ,**

6:30-7:30pm Boy Scouts Pack 162

### **Friday**

**February 16 - 9:30 to 11:30am FOOD PANTRY**

6-8pm- Girl Scouts , 7pm NA meets-Library

### **Saturday**

**February 17 - 9am AA meets in the Library**

7pm NA meets in the Library

**Gathering Place Booked**

### **Sunday**

**February 18 - 8:30am Sunday School**

**CLC Sunday Worship Service at 9:30am**

| February |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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### Upcoming Commemorations

**Cyril, monk, died 869;  
Methodius, bishop, died 885;  
missionaries to the Slavs  
Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

These two brothers from Thessalonika, Greece, were monks and were sent to bring Christianity to the Slavic people. In the course of their work they created a written language, inventing the Cyrillic alphabet for it, and translated the Bible and the liturgy.

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