***The Transfiguration of Our Lord* February 2, 2020  
(The Purification of Mary & The Presentation of Our Lord)**

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)

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**WELCOME**! It’s our privilege to have you join us in being in the Presence of our Lord and Savior! At St. John, we follow the historic Liturgy of the Christian Church, which highlights the Biblical understanding of the True worship of God: *first and foremost*, that He Comes into our presence to give us His Saving Gifts (“Divine Service”) in His Word and Sacraments; and then in *response* we thank and praise Him in word and song, and pray for His continued Blessings.

**Who should receive Holy Communion at St. John?:** *All Confirmed members* are invited to Commune, who are sorry for their sins and wish to be Forgiven and Strengthened. Also, *visitors from other L.C.-M.S. and A.E.L.C. churches*, who fit the same description, are welcome. So that no one else might eat and drink in Judgment of their sins (1 Cor. 11:29), *all others are asked to refrain* from Communing. If you are in doubt, please see Pastor or an Elder.

Prelude

**Opening Hymn of the Day (Transfiguration) *LSB* #413** ~ “O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair” **(memory**)

**Hymn: *LSB* #414** ~ “‘Tis Good, Lord, to be Here”

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** “Divine Service, *Setting 4”* ***LSB* pp.203ff.**

*Introit* (see 1st white insert**;** read responsively by half Verse)

“Growing as One” (see 2nd white insert)

Readings (see back of 1st white insert)

Gradual (see front of same insert; read responsively by half Verse).

**Hymn of the Day (Presentation): *LSB* #519** ~ “In His Temple Now Behold Him”

**Sermon:** “The Light of the *Beginning* of the Tunnel” Matthew 17:1-9

**Distribution Hymns:**

***LSB #*415** *~* “Jesus on the Mountain Peak”

***LSB* #416** ~ “Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory”

***LSB* #412** ~“The People That in Darkness Sat”

***LSB* #937** ~ “Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace”

**Closing Hymn: *LSB* #417** ~ “Alleluia, Song of Gladness”

Postlude

**STEWARDSHIP OF PARTICIPATION**

**DATE: SERVICE             ATTENDANCE   COMMUNION**

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| 1-26-20: 8:00 | 65 | 45 |
| 1-26-20: 9:30 | 57 | 35 |
| 1-26-20: Total | 122 | 80 |
| 1-26-20: Sunday School /B.C. | ? | N/A |
| 1-29-20: Bible Study | 10 |  |

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**TODAY**

**Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Terry Emerick, Alan McTaggart, Don Finkel / Albert Bender, Scott Iseler, Max Iseler

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30): Greg Woodke / Gary Eggert

**Acolyte** (8/9:30): Jordan Schave / Hunter Iseler

**Altar Guild**: TBD

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**Organist**: Kristen Weiss

**Ushers** (8/9:30): Terry Emerick, Alan McTaggart, Don Finkel / Albert Bender, Scott Iseler, Max Iseler

**Elder(s)** (8/9:30): Greg Schave / Larry Reinke

**Acolyte** (8/9:30): Wyatt Hoody / Olivia Woodke

**Altar Guild**: TBD

**ALTERNATE O.T.** Exodus 3:1-14 (“The Burning Bush”)

**READINGS FOR THE PURIFICATION/PRESENTATION**

**READINGS**

Psalm: 84 (“My Soul Longs for the Courts of the LORD”) O.T.: 1 Samuel 1:21-28 (“Samuel Given to the LORD”’)

Epistle: Hebrews 2:14-18 (“The Founder of Salvation”)   
Gospel: Luke 2:22-32[33-40] (“Jesus Presented at the Temple”)

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY**

**READINGS** **HYMNS**

Psalm: 95:1-9 555 O.T.: Exodus 17:1-7

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:24 –10:5 566,826; 853; 523  
Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16 827

Jan. – March ***Portals of Prayer*** are available on the entryway magazine table.

The February ***Lutheran Witness*** (with ***Michigan In Touch***) is available on the entryway table.

**Barnabas Fund:**  This fund is for the purpose of providing financial help for those in emergency need. Please consider donating toward this endeavor.

**A friendly reminder…**newsletter submissions are due to the church office by the 15th of the month preceding the month to publish. Bulletin announcements are due to the church office by Wednesday (9:00 am) before the Sunday to be published.

**THIS WEEK at ST. JOHN**

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| Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 203 |
|  | **9:00** | Sunday School |
|  | **9:30** | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 203 |
| Mon: | 4:00 | 6th Grade Confirmation Class |
|  | 5:30 | 7th Grade Confirmation Class |
| Wed: | 10:30 | Bible Study |
|  | 1:00 | Quilting at the School |
| Next Sun: | 8:00 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 167 |
|  | 9:00 | Sunday School |
|  | 9:30 | Divine Service with Holy Communion Page 167  (Zion School choir & hand chimes) |

**Office Hours:** Monday (*Pastor*): **9am – 1pm; 2-3pm**Tuesday (*Kathy*): **9am – 11:30am; 12:30-2pm**Thursday (*Pastor & Kathy*): **9am – 12pm; 1-2pm**Friday (Pastor & *Kathy*): **9am – 12pm** Please call ahead to make sure that someone is in.

**Stained Glass Window Fund**

**Total Needed: $124,000.00**

**Received so far $ 77,925.00 Finance Board (1-27-20) $ 190.00**

**Amount Still Needed: $ 46,075.00**

**BUDGETED FINANCE REPORT - *Not Including Special Accounts***

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| **2019-2020 Fiscal Year** | |
| **Needed per count**  **Received (1-27-20)**  **Needed year to date**  **Received year to date** | **$ 8,060.00**  **$ 5,735.00**  **$112,480.00**  **$107,520.00** |

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***Jesus Is Transfigured and Manifests His Glory***

The Lord Appeared to Moses in the Light of the burning bush (Ex. 3:1–14). Later Moses’ face would shine with the Light of God’s Glory when he came down from Mount Sinai (Ex. 34:29–35). At the “Transfiguration,” Moses and Elijah appeared with the One who is the Light of Light Himself (Matt. 17:1–9). Jesus’ Glory as God Shines with Brilliant Splendor in and through His human nature. By this Epiphany, our Lord Confirmed the Prophetic Word (2 Pet. 1:16–21), Revealing that He is the Fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets. He Manifested His Majesty as the eternal Son of the Father, and He Wonderfully Foreshowed our adoption as sons (Collect). We who have been Baptized into Christ’s Body are given a glimpse of the Glory that we will share with Him in the Resurrection on the Last Day.

**PRAYER LISTS** The following members and friends areknown to be in the

hospital, ailing or recovering and are in need of our prayers, cards, and visits.

**MEMBER PRAYERS**

Charlie Koglin; Elaine Eggert; Bev Hartz; Ramona Reinke; Linda Johnson; Mike Brown; Anne Schubring; Pastor Dodge

**SHUT-INS**

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| Ivan/Betty Adkins | Yvonne Fuhrman | Willard Reinke |
| Arnold Brown | Patricia Griffore | Jeffrey Schave |
| Wade Cohoon (Colorado) | Beverly Hartz | Gloria Schmalz |
| Nelson Erbisch | Nathan Kaufman | Helen Schultz |
| Howard/Della Finkel | Elmer/Ruth Leese | Arlene Zelz |
| Mary Forbing |  |  |

**FRIENDS**

Roman Jock (toddler cousin of Harold Collings)

Brendan Durkee (16 yr. old grandson of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

Riley Durkee (8 yr. old granddaughter of Merle & Patsy Eggert)

Carol Wessels (friend of Joyce)

Ruby Maschke (Meadow Lane Assisted Living)

Isabel Mix (toddler old great-granddaughter of Elmer & Ruth Leese)

Jean Eggert (sister-in-law of Gary and Elain Eggert)

Staff Sergeant Ricky Holtz (recently deployed to South America; son-in-law of Garth and Shannon Popour; grandson-in-law of Emerson & Irene Pilaske), wife Kayla, and two sons.

The Halula family (Karen Iseler’s niece), being evacuated from the Concordia International School, Shanghai, China.

**2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are now available for pick up in the entryway. Please sign up on the numbered clip-board sheet on the bulletin table and take the corresponding numbered envelope box.

**NEEDED** – someone to do **Altar Guild Duties** for the month of February. Duties include washing Communion ware and changing paraments when needed. Call Carol Woodke at 989-428-4440 if interested.

**2020 Flower Chart** is now up on the wall in the entryway. Please sign up on your special occasion dates to provide flowers to beautify our Chancel.

The **Ladies Aid** is seeking anyone who would like to run for the office of **President** and Secretary of the Ladies Aid. This is a two year term. If you would like to have your name put on the ballot, please contact Shannon Popour at 989-670-7780. Voting will take place at our upcoming meeting on Tuesday, February 11th @ 7:00pm.

Anyone interested in running for a **Church office: Vice-Chairman, Elder, Secretary, or Trustee**, please let an Elder know so we can get your name on the ballot for the April voters meeting.

St. John Lutheran Church-Port Hope Application for **Tuition and Bussing to Zion Lutheran Schoo**l-Harbor Beach applications due by **February 10th.** Applications are available at our church office and at Zion’s.

**Memorials for Robert Witherspoon, a monetary gift have been given to St. John Lutheran Church General Fund:** from William Eick, Ray & Kathleen Young.

**Memorials for Robert Witherspoon, a monetary gift have been given to St. John Lutheran Church Trustees Fund:** from Norm & Shirley Pawlitz, Kevin & Sally Arndt, Dave & Irene Schelke

**Memorials for Robert Witherspoon, a monetary gift have been given to St. John Lutheran Church Stained Glass Fund:** from the Ladies Aid, Joyce Koglin, Teresa Muter, Elaine Eggert, Gary Eggert, Glenda Jowett & family, Wally Schave, Evan & Dessalee Steinbis, Herb & Betty Leese, Charles Koglin, Harold & Carol Collings, Kay McTaggart, Jerry & Debbie Lackowski, Alan & Judy McTaggart, Bob & Eileen Johnson, Don & Lois Liedke, Marvin & Vicki Koglin, Dan & Angie Koglin, Karen Iseler, Larry Finkel, Cliff Hartz, Al & Donna Wolschlayer, Erwin Schave, Joann Schave, Larry Schave, Fred & Pat Hasen, Susan Reinke, Bill Hass, Geraldine Koth, Mark & Clara Gust, Rodney & Janet Weiss, Rosalin Witherspoon, William & Debra Bechler, Gil Tinsey, Orville & Jean Eggert, Becky Brandt, Cindy & Chris Townley, Albert & Janice Bender, Don & Linda Finkel, Larry & Kathy Reinke, Larry & Joyce Harwood, Darla Pankow, Steven & Kristen Weiss, Les & Linda Weiss family, Lyle & Kathy Schave, Hugh Harwood, Corinne Abraham family, Sharon Fuhrman, Anita Schave, Carol Witherspoon, Anne & Steve Savage, Dennis & Connie Wilkowski, Dan & Cindy Brown family, Karen and Richard Whitehead family, Jean Weiss, Dale & Diane Reinke family, Duane & Cindy Witherspoon family, Gregg & Gretchin & Madilyn Witherspoon, Loving Grandchildren of Robert Witherspoon, Susan Witherspoon, Dennis & Kim Witherspoon, Terry Witherspoon, Ed & Peggy Maschke

**Memorial for Donna Landenberg, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church Stained Glass Fund:** from Alan & Judy McTaggart

**Memorial for Ted Pochert whom went to be with the Lord Jan 10,2000, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church Trustee Fund:** from Ray & Sue Emerick

**Memorial for Walter Bender & Birthday Dec 28th, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church Mission Fund:** from Kathy (Bender) Rocha.

**Memorial for Lucille Maschke & Birthday, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church Ladies Aid Fund:** from Kathy (Bender) Rocha.

**Memorial for Andrea Piotter & Birthday Jan 8th, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church General Fund:** from Kathy (Bender) Rocha.

**Memorial for Merle Gust & Birthday Jan 19th, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church General Fund:** from Kathy (Bender) Rocha.

**Memorials for Mildred Steciak, Margaret Fealko & Randolph Forster, a monetary gift have been given to St. John Lutheran Church Stained Glass Fund:** from Harold & Carolyn Collings.

**Memorial for Albert Leese, a monetary gift has been given to St. John Lutheran Church Stained Glass Fund:** from Elmer & Ruth Leese Family, Susan Reinke