

# St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin

February 8/11, 2024

## *The Transfiguration of Our Lord*



**Preservice Song**      **10:15am**      *Lamb of God*

**Opening Hymn**      **583**      *God Has Spoken by His Prophets*

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### **Psalmody — Psalm 50:1–6**

The Mighty One, God the LORD,

**speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,

**God shines forth.**

Our God comes; he does not keep silence;

**before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest.**

He calls to the heavens above

**and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

“Gather to me my faithful ones,

**who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”**

The heavens declare his righteousness,

**for God himself is judge!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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## Salutation and Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Amen.*

## Old Testament Reading 2 Kings 2:1–12

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>And Elijah said to Elisha, “Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup>And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?” And he said, “Yes, I know it; keep quiet.”

<sup>4</sup>Elijah said to him, “Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup>The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know it; keep quiet.”

<sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, “Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

<sup>9</sup>When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you.” And Elisha said, “Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me.” <sup>10</sup>And he said, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so.” <sup>11</sup>And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the

two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup>And Elisha saw it and he cried, “My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” And he saw him no more.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle Reading — 2 Corinthians 3:12–18; 4:1–6**

Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup>Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. <sup>16</sup>But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God’s word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone’s conscience in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake. <sup>6</sup>For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Alleluia and Verse**

**Alleluia.**

**Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

## The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

*Glory to You, O Lord.*

After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them,<sup>3</sup> and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup>For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” <sup>8</sup>And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. <sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to You, O Christ.*

## Nicene Creed

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## Hymn

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*O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair*

## Sermon

“WHO?”

## Offering

## Prayer of the Church

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*For our guests desiring the Lord's Supper...*

Holy Communion is the eating and drinking of Christ's crucified and risen body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, for strength for this life, and for the assurance of everlasting life with Him. It is a miraculous gift full of grace.

The Bible also teaches that anyone who receives the Lord's Supper who does not believe or has not been taught our Lord's teaching, or who is unrepentant, receives Christ's body and blood to his or her harm. Out of love for you, we kindly ask you to speak to one of our pastors before communing if you are not a member of an LCMS congregation.

**Song**      **10:15am**      *You Are My All in All*

**Distribution Hymns**      **609 (1-4)**      **537**      **680**      **620**

**Post-Communion Canticle ~ Thank the Lord**      **page 164**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Closing Hymn**      **414**      *'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here*



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## *Serving the Lord in Worship*

**Pastors**      Rev. Timothy J. Shoup      Rev. Mark R. Palmer

**Organist**      Mrs. Debbie Welch

**Music**      10:15am Wolf River Lutheran High School Choir

## *Prayers*

**In Need of Healing . . .** *Jon Baker, Amber Brunner, Bruce Heling, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Tom Kriehn, Mary Luepke, Sue Nohr, Johnathan Parr (infant), Dana Rudzinski, Theresa Runge, Marlene Schmidt, Leon Stuewer, Tracy Sundstrom, Marilyn Tessmann, Dick Wegner, Mark Welch, Jill Wentworth (sister of Joel Delzer), and Jacob Worthington.*



## Announcements

**Preparing for next week's worship . . .** Genesis 22:1–18; Psalm 25:1–10; James 1:12–18; Mark 1:9–15

**Virtual Sunday School . . .** Another resource for families may be found on the home page of the [stpaulbonduel.com](http://stpaulbonduel.com) website under the Online section. The Sunday School videos are produced by the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders of St. Paul school.

### *Attended/Communed— February 1/4, 2024*

<b>Thursday</b>	2/1	7:00pm	90/ 78
<b>Sunday</b>	2/4	8:00am	159/129
		10:15am	<u>246/149</u>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>495/356</b>

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**Ladies Aid Annual Ash Wednesday Chili Dinner . . .** will take place on Wednesday, February 14, 11:00am–4:00pm. The menu will be chili, toasted cheese sandwiches, bars, and beverages. Prices: Adults-\$10; Children (6–10)-\$5; children ages 5 and younger-free. Advanced orders for take-out will be taken until February 12, and the cost will be \$8/quart. Please contact Donna Stuewer at 715–758–8619 to place a takeout order or if you have any questions.

**Yoga Fundraiser . . .** The 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be hosting one final Yoga Fundraiser on Saturday, February 17 at 9:00 am, instructed by St. Paul member, Jill Olson. Jill is a 200 YTT yoga instructor. The class is open to everyone, ages 10 and up and is designed for all levels of yoga. She will focus on gentle stretching, building strength and balance. This is a great introductory session if you're new to yoga. Come try it out! Money raised will help fund the 8<sup>th</sup> graders trip to Washington D.C. in April!

**Thrivent Choice . . .** Thrivent members contributed \$9,377 to St. Paul Lutheran Church and \$6,263 to St. Paul Lutheran School in 2023. This is truly a gift we appreciate. If you are eligible, please go online to [www.thrivent.com/choice](http://www.thrivent.com/choice) to designate your dollars. If you wish, call Thrivent at 800–847–4836. They are open Monday through Friday, 7:00am – 6:00pm. The deadline to designate 2023 funds is March 31.

## **Palm Sunday Breakfast!** **Sunday, March 24, 2024**

SPYRT (St. Paul Youth Rejoicing Together) is planning to serve a Palm Sunday breakfast on Sunday, March 24! To help defray costs, the following items are needed. Call the school office at 715-758-8532 to let us know what items you are willing to donate. Thank you in advance for your contribution of supplies or cash donations. Profits will be used to benefit our SPYRT youth towards their next youth gathering in New Orleans in July 2025.

### Items needed:

- 48 dozen eggs
- 12 loaves of bread
- 18 12 oz. frozen cans of orange juice
- 5 gallons of 2% white milk
- 5 gallons of 2% chocolate milk
- 300 paper juice cups
- 300 Styrofoam coffee cups
- 300 napkins
- 1 jar grape jelly
- 2 or 3# shredded cheese
- 1 jar salsa
- 2 boxes Nesco liners

Cash donations will be used for sausage, fresh fruit, sweet rolls/donuts, and French toast sticks

**Transfer the Blessings . . .** What a great feeling! Imagine the peace of mind of getting your will or living trust, power of attorney, and other documents all in order. Plus, you'll experience the joy of including a gift for ministry in your estate plan. Our Gift Planning Counselor Gary Vought with the LCMS Foundation can help you get started. There's no cost for his services. Sign up for the free presentation on Thursday, February 15, 5:30pm or Sunday, March 10, 9:00am; or contact him at [gary.vought@lfnd.org](mailto:gary.vought@lfnd.org) or 715-891-1447.

### **The Lutheran Hour . . . "Redeeming DIY" *Mark 1:12-13***

Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler talks about spiritual growth in the season of Lent and dying to self in a "do-it-yourself" world. Tune in next Sunday at 7:30am to WTCH/960 AM, or WRVM/102.7 FM at 10:00am, or go to [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org).

### *A Note from Pastor Shoup*

Over a dozen members or couples are already meeting individually with Gary Vought! He is the Lutheran Foundation representative working with us this year. Couples are reporting things like, "We are grateful for the help. Gary listens and guides. We are formulating a plan for when the time comes to "transfer the blessings" that the Lord has given to us, to our family, and church.

We have extended a call to Jim Meyer to serve as our part-time Director of Church Ministry. Coordinating our missions efforts and special events are among his primary responsibilities. We are already talking about our second church picnic with outdoor worship for next fall, and a community Christmas at St. Paul music event for early December. His installation will be during the 8:00am service February 18.

We are moving forward in ministry through our facility upkeep. Current projects include replacing the two church basement furnaces. They feed the sanctuary, church entry, fellowship hall, kitchen, offices, and four newest classrooms. The two gym furnaces need replacing. Our sanctuary lighting control module also needs replacing. We will post total costs and trust the Lord's provision and our faithful giving to meet these needs.

We are beginning to discuss our growing ministry space needs/desires. One example is a "makeover" of our outdoor worship area, the grove. People have been talking about it since last fall's outdoor service. "What would this area look like all cleaned up, maybe redesigned a bit?" God has given to us a natural wooded canopy area. "Why shouldn't we make it accessible, provide lighting, a good sound system, seating, and really begin to enjoy it?" Also on the list of possible improvements are a vestibule for the fellowship hall entrance, office space, storage, teaching space. We will form a planning committee.

If I do not see you Sunday morning, I am still with my dad in IL who was scheduled for a surgical procedure Friday. Sunday is Transfiguration Day. *And Jesus took with Him Peter, James, and John up on a mountain... and there they saw Moses and Elijah.* Here is where Jesus' assignment to save the world shifts into high gear. God speaks! "This is my Son!" As if to say, "Watch what He is about to do!" He comes down from the mountain and immediately is met by Satan in the wilderness, is tempted, tormented, and tried for forty days. Transfiguration is followed by Ash Wednesday, and our season of Lent, a time for us to put off some pleasures of food, comfort, and entertainment, and ask the Lord to fill our hearts with His Word and thereby increase our self-discipline and desire to serve, as we thank Him for having gone up against and defeating the devil for us.

*The Lord be with you,  
Pastor Shoup*



## WRLHS News

**Time to Enroll . . .** Wolf River Lutheran High School will host a registration fair on Tuesday, February 13 from 3:30pm–6:00pm. There will be fair food and games to create a fun environment while current and new students register for next year. Chromebooks will be available to apply for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program, so bring a utility bill when you come. After the fair you are invited to attend the boys’ basketball game. Online registration will also be available for students and families.

**Sheepshead Card Party . . .** Sunday, February 18, 1:00pm–3:30pm. Cost \$2 per person. Food and drink included. Prizes awarded. Everyone is welcome.

**2024 Lock-In . . .** 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us at our Lock-In on March 8–9, 8:00pm – 8:00am. \$5 per student. Come join the fun!

**Interested in a distinctively . . .** Lutheran retreat that provides the space to rest in God’s Word, time to spend in prayer and the opportunity to learn from some of the brightest theologians in the church? Concordia Seminary, St. Louis invites you to attend Vocatio: Retreat — a three-day retreat geared toward college students and second-career men and women who are considering serving as a pastor, deaconess, missionary or chaplain on April 14–16, 2024. Registration is free and includes lodging and meals. To register, scan the QR code, visit [csl.edu/vocatio-retreat](https://csl.edu/vocatio-retreat) or Google “Vocatio: Retreat Concordia Seminary.” Hurry! Registration closes March 29.



**Christian Truth Event . . .** “Caring for a Transgender Child” is the topic that will take place Sunday, February 18, 3:00pm, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 701 S. Home Street, Wittenberg. A free meal will be provided afterward. More information may be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

**Meadow View Open House . . .** Thursday, February 22, ribbon cutting 12:30pm – 1:30pm, open house 1:30pm – 3:30pm. RSVP by February 16 by texting 914–589–2206 or go to their Facebook page. More information may be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

## SCRIP Schedule Next Week

**February 15** Patti Herrmann

**February 18** Maureen Zernicke Peggy Buchholz

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sunday 2/11** 8:00am Worship — Holy Communion  
9:00am Fellowship (Board of Parish Fellowship #1)  
Bible Study – Revelation  
Bible Bowl Practice  
10:15am Worship — Holy Communion
- Monday 2/12**
- Tuesday 2/13** *Amico's Pizza Fundraiser (Mention St. Paul SPYRT)*  
7:00am Bible Class  
8:00am Quilting  
6:00pm Bell Choir
- Wednesday 2/14** **ASH WEDNESDAY**  
10:00am Worship — Holy Communion  
11:00am-4:00pm Ladies Aid Chili Dinner  
4:00pm – 5:00pm Food Pantry  
5:30pm Public School Confirmation  
6:00pm Choir  
7:00pm Worship — Holy Communion
- Thursday 2/15** 1:00pm Mission Circle  
5:30pm Transfer the Blessings Presentation  
7:00pm Worship — Holy Communion
- Friday 2/16**
- Saturday 2/17** 9:00am Yoga Fundraiser
- Sunday 2/18** 8:00am Worship — Holy Communion  
9:00am Fellowship (Mission Circle)  
Bible Study – Revelation  
Bible Bowl Practice  
10:15am Worship — Holy Communion (Gr. 3 & 4 sing)



## **A Lenten Midweek Series**

**Mark 14—15**

# Cross Points

Mark's account of the Lord's Passion is full of cross-points, verses which proclaim what Christ accomplished, what Christ endured, who was in charge of what happened, and verses which fortify God's people to live each day in faith.

We look forward to different pastors from our circuit take turns leading us in worship and preaching each Wednesday during Lent.

**Week 1 – “She Has Done What She Could”** *Mark 14:8*

**Week 2 – “What's in the Cup?”** *Mark 14:23*

**Week 3 – “Who Struck the Shepherd?”** *Mark 14:27*

**Week 4 – “What's a Safe Distance?”** *Mark 14:54*

**Week 5 – “The Worst Substitution”** *Mark 15:15*

**Maundy Thursday – “Simon's Points”** *Mark 15:21*

**Good Friday – “Exclamation Points”** *Mark 15:33–41*



**All Things St. Paul**



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