



OUR DAILY BREAD



"A place where you can be who you are"

Christ Lutheran Church

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A "Reconciling in Christ" Congregation

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Please know
that the
congregational
meeting on
January 27 was a
time of decision
for the
congregation to
begin the process
of Holy Closure.

**See Calendar on page 7 for complete
Sunday worship, meetings & other
events**

TRANSFIGURATION

For the most part our Lord's ministry in the Galilean area was finished. People rejected him as the Messiah. They wanted a king, a messiah, who would overthrow the Roman occupation and any others who opposed them in controlling the world. Few people choose to follow Jesus and at least one of them expected to be part of some type of an earthly triumph.

Jesus climbed the mountain to have solitude while he sought guidance in planning. Either he should give up his mission as hopeless, or he should persist by taking his message to the capital city where stood the Temple, the center of Jewish devotion to God as they understood the nature of God. This risked a much worse experience than what Jesus had so far experienced.

Accompanying him to the mountain top were Peter, James and John to be witnesses to what would be decided. The decision came in a revelation of Divine Power like that given to Moses in our First Lesson (Exodus 34:29f) on March 3, but quite different. Jesus did not have to cover his face for the sake of the disciples. He could bathe in the glow that emanated from the Divine Presence. I think that glow is similar to what I have seen in the faces of people deeply in love as they embrace. Probably the disciples were not blinded by the glory of God surrounding Jesus due to their devotion to Jesus. May we also grow in the actions that express our love of God, so we do not turn away from the heavenly light when we exchange our physical bodies for spiritual ones.

Peter wanted to erect three tent tabernacles to keep present to them: Moses, Elijah and Jesus--a type of possession of idols.

This was not to be. The heritage of what needs to be preserved from Hebrew teachings is embodied through our Christ and several given new understandings. These teaching are intended to be present to us, gradually changing our thinking and behavior in this life and in the life to come.

In our tradition, a symbol of being embraced by divine love is when we offer our lives at the altar through participation in Holy Communion. Adequately explaining this common union with the Holy involves a sense of mystery, something beyond human comprehension. How is it that this experience binds us in union with those all over the world who share in what is called a Holy Mystery? As with understanding how the disciples could recognize Moses and Elijah, there are mysteries that are just easier to accept, yet to be open to something happening that might lead us to understanding.

In searching on the internet for a contemporary understanding of the word "transfigured" inadvertently I found an important statement that was made by the late Albert Einstein.

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“The most beautiful experience we can have is the mysterious. It is the fundamental emotion which stands at the cradle of true art and true science. Whoever does not know it and can no longer wonder, no longer marvel, is as good as dead, and his eyes are dimmed.”

Your future as members of a congregation is mysterious.

When I first learned that Christ Lutheran Church was struggling to continue, then the child care facility was eliminated, I had a slight panic feeling somewhat like that of the disciples in March 3’s lesson: What is happening? What can I do? No, I will not buy a chance on a lottery ticket—my history of addictions blocked that idea. My prayers had not saved the lives of beloved humans, but it seemed the best I could do. I knew that you also were doing what you could but then came last Sunday when the vision of a wonderful Pastor disappeared from pulpit and altar. Last Wednesday, I saw Dan Prickett showing the building to realtors. Sad, sad experiences.

If I have these emotions, you who have spent years here worshipping, socializing, helping with tasks, having this be an alternate home, must feel like a fire will be set to the building forcing you to go to a new home that will just not be the same even if you are in a church building that embraces some other former members of Christ Church.

Depression is unhealthy emotionally and spiritually. Try to think of your future experiences in a new setting as being a mystery to be enjoyed and not as something to be feared; as coming down from a mountain top experience that can’t be repeated but is inspiring as to what to do and not to do in your future. Think of these next months as a time symbolized by saying goodbye to the alleluia experience, moving through the demands of a long Lent knowing that with the guidance of the Holy Spirit you will again experience an uplifting experience to which you can say: “Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord!” Amen! So be it!

Father Tim Solon



If you choose not to find joy in the snow, you will have less joy in your life but still the same amount of snow.
Author unknown

OUR LOIS

Since 2012, Lois Hansen has faithfully served Christ Lutheran as the Thursday office secretary. Sadly, she has announced her resignation and will spend her last day in the office on March 14. Thank you for your time, skill and friendship. We will miss you!

LENT

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43.16-21

That is from the first reading we will hear on April 7. In Isaiah's time, it was a promise from God to the people of Israel. They had been in exile in the foreign land of Babylon, and God was telling they would be heading back to their homeland. It happened when Persian King Cyrus issued an edict that permitted them to do just that. The year was 538 BC.

For the season of Lent, we will again be joining with Ascension and St. Paul's for worship, including at Christ on April 3. We've done that before, and have appreciated the opportunity to worship with our fellow Lutherans.

The service we will be using is another version of "Evening Prayer." The basic format of this service is much like the familiar Holden Evening Prayer: remembering God's light even as we gather in the darkening evening, a Psalm, readings, the same Gospel Canticle that is Mary's song from Luke, prayers, and blessing. What will be new will be the musical setting, but we'll become familiar with that quickly. So we have some of the old – and the new.

God is also about something new with us as a congregation, even as we go through this process of "Holy Closure." It's easier to see and no doubt grieve the loss of the old. I hope we can share our thoughts and feelings with one another. At the same time let's remember that God is always about doing new things, and on the journey with us in the changes of our lives.

Pastor Paul Everett

FOOD COLLECTION DURING LENT

Again this year, we will be collecting food for the needy during Lent. It may be left in the foyer.

DEAR CHRIST LUTHERAN FRIENDS

The farewell party on Feb 24 was a grand event. What a special day! Thank you! Many hands and hearts came together to make a difficult day beautiful.

In gratitude, Pastor Rebecca



CHOIR CONCERT

The Concert Choir from Grandview College in Des Moines, IA will be in concert at Ascension Lutheran, 712 Storey Blvd. on Friday, March 15, at 7 pm. A free-will offering will be received. If you are able to house choir members, please let Pastor Rebecca know. Grandview is one of 27 Colleges/Universities of the ELCA.

IF IN NEED OF CLERGY

In the event that the aid of clergy is requested, please contact Pastor Alison George at St. Paul's Lutheran. The office number is (307) 632-9212.

For questions for the Rocky Mountain Office of the Bishop, please contact Pastor Matt Barnhouse at his office (303) 777-6700 or email him at mbarnhouse@rmselca.org

For information about asset designation, as it relates to Holy Closure, please contact Tina Kvittek, Gift Planner with Region 2 for the ELCA Foundation.

Office: (773) 380-2795

Or email her at tina.kvittek@elca.org

**Schedule of Wednesday Lenten Soup Supper and Worship
Soup Supper at 6 pm with service at 7 pm**

March 13 – St. Paul's Lutheran hosting, 218 E. 19th St.

March 20 - Ascension Lutheran hosting, 712 Storey Blvd.

March 27 – Ascension Lutheran hosting, 712 Storey Blvd.

April 3 - Christ Lutheran hosting, 3260 Nationway

April 10 – St. Paul's Lutheran hosting, 218 E. 19th St.

Our theme is REST IN GOD - God as our hope, stronghold,
strength, rock, and salvation.

The Liturgy is Joyous Light Evening Prayer from Augsburg.



Cribbage Tournament at St. Paul's Lutheran
19th and House in the Fellowship Hall

Family and Friends Welcome – April 6, 2019, 12 noon.

Entry Fee: \$2.50 + an item for The Little Free Pantry Proceeds to The Little Free Pantry

Don't play? Learn on the Jumbo Board. No one is too old or young to learn!
RSVP and info: text or call Corry at 307.630.2973 or Colleen at 307.320.5686

March Worship Assistants, Altar Guild, Counters & Coffee

	March 3	March 10	March 17	March 24	March 31
Ushers	Bonnie B. Lisa Cahoon	Lyle Keto Dan Prickett	Peg & Ray Edwards	Carol Pralle Dan Prickett	Lyle Keto
Lector	Lisa Cahoon	Bonnie B.	Lois Prickett	Lisa Cahoon	Bonnie B.
Communion Assistants	Dan Prickett	Aina Stoen	Carly Trudel	Aina Stoen	Aina Stoen
Acolyte	Lisa Cahoon	Josh Goerhing	Aiden Padilla	Lisa Cahoon	Carol Pralle
Altar Guild	Stacy Rea	Stacy Rea	Stacy Rea	Stacy Rea	Stacy Rea
Counters	Bonnie B. Lisa Cahoon	Lisa Cahoon Bonnie B.	Lisa Cahoon Dan Prickett	Lisa Cahoon Bonnie B.	Bonnie B. Dan Prickett
Goodies	POTLUCK	Carol Pralle	Carol Olson	Betty White	Betty White
Coffee Setup & Cleanup	POTLUCK	Stacy Rea Betty White	Stacy Rea Carol Pralle	Stacy Rea Carol Olson	Stacy Rea Betty White

Bonnie publishes the worship assistants' schedule. If you have definite preferences or conflicts, contact Bonnie at 303.543.2154. If you are on the schedule and cannot be at a service, it is your responsibility to arrange for someone else to take your place.

CHURCH DIRECTORY CHANGES

Please make the following changes to church directory:
 MITCHELL, Jim, Brenda and Matthew. 4053 Winterset
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DIVINE DOLLARS!

NOT JUST FOR GIFTS: Use them for everyday purchases. If you spent \$600 on groceries and gas at Safeway each month (4% discount), \$100 on clothing at Penneys (5% discount), \$50 for Applebee's (10% discount), and \$50 at Pizza Hut (8% discount) you would earn \$38 for the church for the month. If 25 people did the same, we would earn \$950 a month for Christ Lutheran.

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9 am-Adult Forum 10 am-Worship & open communion 11 am-Potluck	4	5	6 7 pm-Ash Wednesday Worship at Ascension or St. Paul's	7	8	9
10 9 am-Adult Forum 10 am-Worship & open communion 11 am-Council	11	12	13 6 pm-supper; 7 pm Lenten Worship at St. Paul's	14	15 7 pm-Grandview College Concert Choir at Ascension	16
17 9 am-Adult Forum 10 am-Worship & open communion	18	19	20 6 pm-supper; 7 pm Lenten Worship at Ascension	21	22	23
24 9 am-Adult Forum 10 am-Worship & open communion.	25	26	27 6 pm-supper; 7 pm Lenten Worship at Ascension	28	29	30
31 9 am-Adult Forum 10 am-Worship & open communion.						



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL & COMMITTEES

Church Council

Acting President: Sandi Arnold

Vice President: Lisa Cahoon

Treasurer: Bonnie Baumeister

Secretary:

Education & Youth: Lisa Cahoon, Erica McColl

Evangelism: Erica McColl, Sandi Arnold

Fellowship: Dave Adams

Property & Grounds: Dave Adams

Stewardship:

Women's Group: Lisa Cahoon

Worship & Music: Lisa Cahoon

Financial Matters

Financial Secretary: Dan Prickett

Contribution Recorder: Bonnie Baumeister

Women's Group/Fellowship

President: Lisa Cahoon

Treasurer: Lois Prickett

Secretary:

Other Leadership

Altar Guild: Stacy Rea

Communion Bread Baker: Betty White

Publicity: Carol Olson

Please note: All articles for the Newsletter are due
before the third Thursday of each month.

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