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Transfiguration of our Lord

March 2, 2025

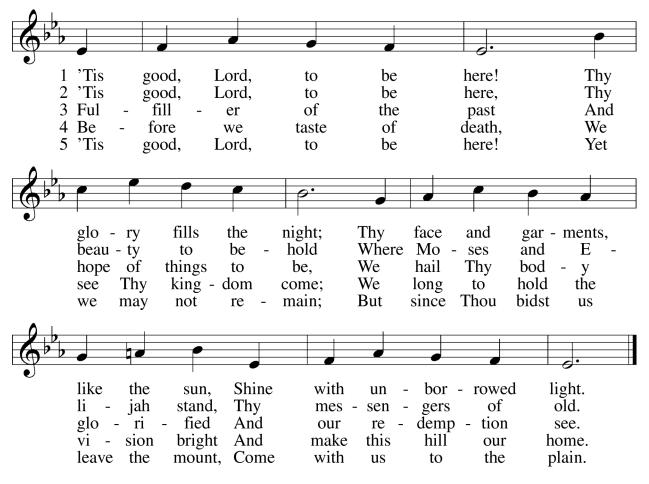
Divine Service Setting One

Prayer Before Worship

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

Processional Hymn

"Tis Good Lord, to Be Here" LSB 414



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Tune: Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750, adapt.

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Invocation

LSB 151

 \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

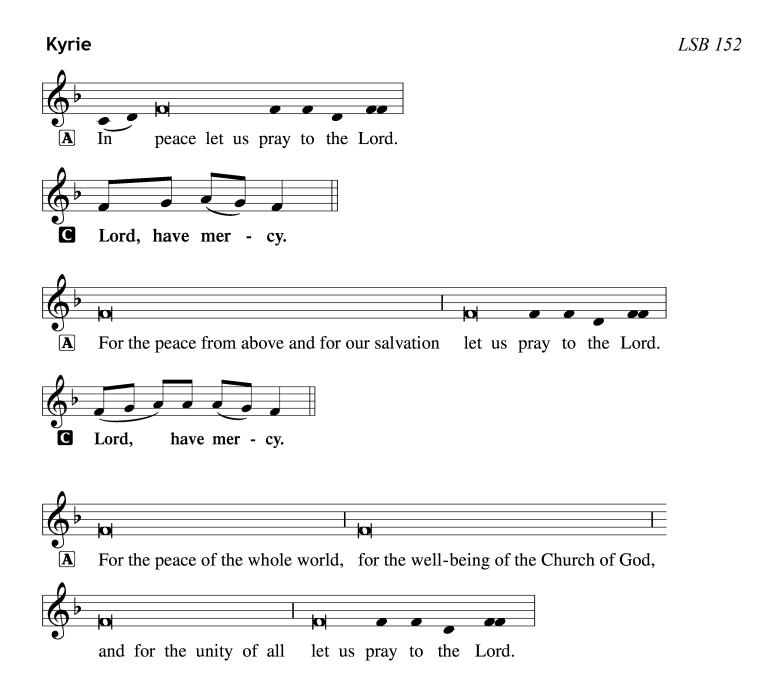
Confession and Absolution

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Psalm 99

¹The LORD reigns; let the peoples | tremble!* He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! ²The Lord is great in | Zion;* he is exalted over all the peoples. ³Let them praise your great and | awesome name!* Ho- | ly is he! ⁴The King in his might loves | justice.* You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in | Jacob. ⁵Exalt the LORD our God: worship at his | footstool!* Ho- | ly is he! ⁶Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called up- | on his name.* They called to the LORD, and he answered them. ⁷In the pillar of the cloud he | spoke to them;* they kept his testimonies and the statute that he | gave them.

⁸O LORD our God, you | answered them;* you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrong- | doings.
⁹Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;* for the LORD our God is | holy!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be-| ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.







This is the Feast



Salutation and Collect of the Day





Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

¹Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. ⁴And the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there." ⁵So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, ⁶and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. ⁷Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. ⁸And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

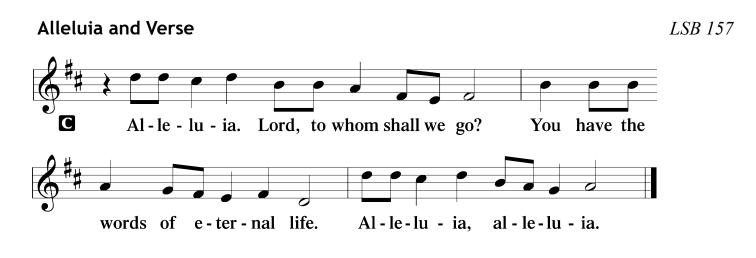
⁹And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. ¹⁰And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, ¹¹none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, ¹²and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

¹Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, ²who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. ³For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. ⁴(For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) ⁵Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, ⁶but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

A This is the Word of the Lord.



Holy Gospel

Luke 9:28-36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.



²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. ³⁰And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, ³¹who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"-not knowing what he said. ³⁴As he was

C Thanks be to God.

saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" ³⁶And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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Sermon Hymn
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"Alleluia, Song of Gladness" LSB 417

 1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, Voice of joy that 2 Al - le - lu - ia, thou re - sound - est, True Je - ru - sa - 3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways Be our song while 4 There - fore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, bless - ed
can - not die; lem and free; here be - low; Trin - i - ty,Al - le - lu - ia lem - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, and - le - lu - ia, our trans - gres - sions At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter
Ev - er raised by choirs on high; In the house of All thy chil - dren sing with thee, But by Bab - y - Make us for a while for - go; For the sol - emn With Thy faith - ful saints on high; There to Thee for -
Cad a hid ing Thus they sing a top wal by
God a - bid - ing Thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly. lon's sad wa - ters Mourn - ing ex - iles now are we. time is com - ing When our tears for sin must flow. ev - er sing - ing Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

Text: Latin, c. 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.

Tune: John Goss, 1800-80

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Nicene Creed **C** I believe in one God. the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life. who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified. who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

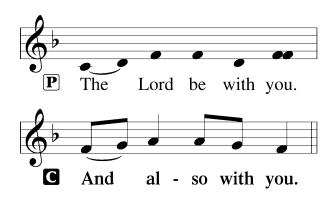
- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy

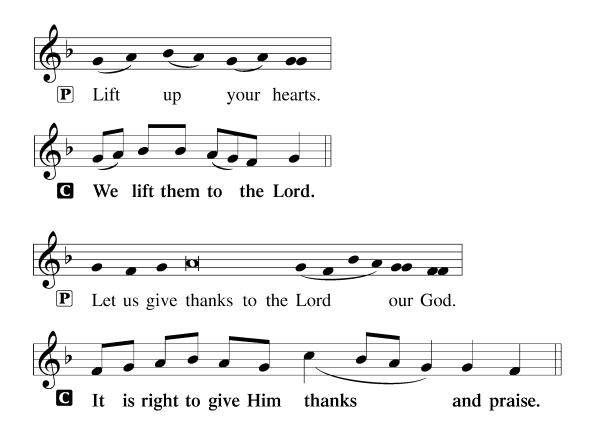
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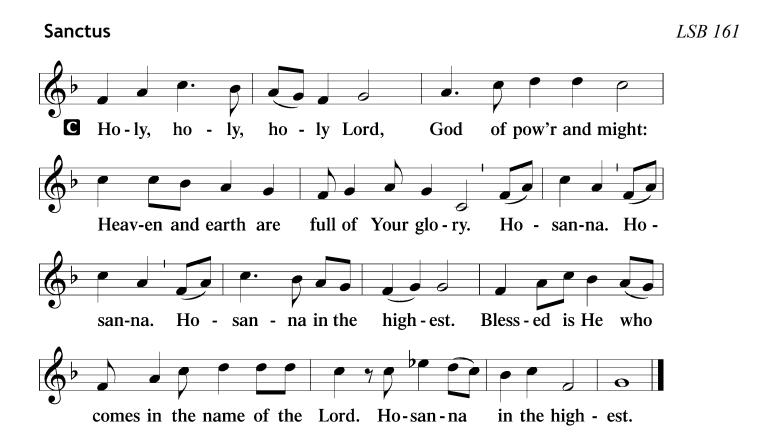
Preface

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P It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, . . . one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

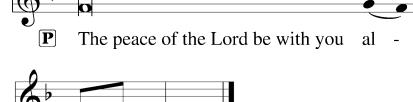
G Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

 P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

 C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

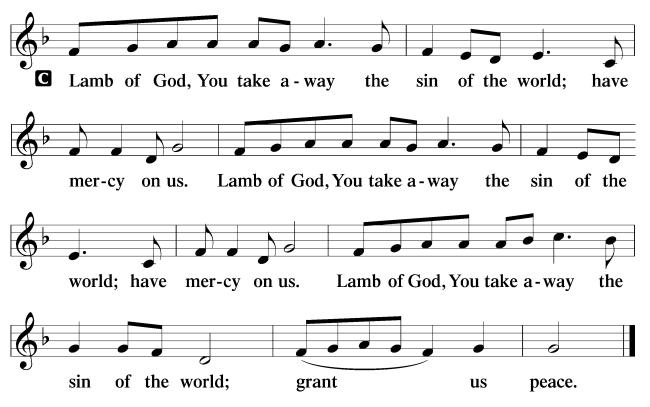








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Prayer Before Communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive his holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

"O Worship the King"

LSB 804



5 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend!

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6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
While angels delight to hymn Thee above,
Thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall sing to Thy praise.

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"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" LSB 633 O 1 At the Lamb's high feast Praise sing we to 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His blood poured, Death's 3 Where the pas - chal is dread 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood Pas chal was shed, _ vic - to rious King, Who has washed us the tide our in Gives His sa - cred blood for wine. bod for the feast— V tri - um-phant go an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love $\overline{\mathbf{0}}$ Flow ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le lu ia! _ Christ vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le the lu ia! foe. Through the wave that drowns the Al - le lu ia! Al - le Eat man - na from a - bove. _ lu ia! we

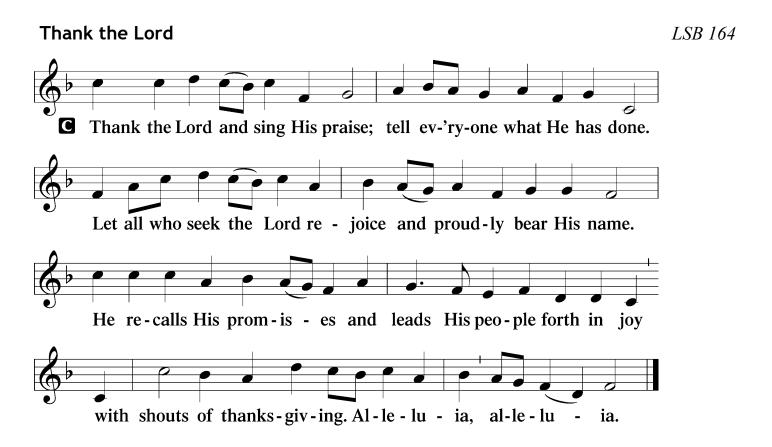
- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!

- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy; From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!
- △8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

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Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

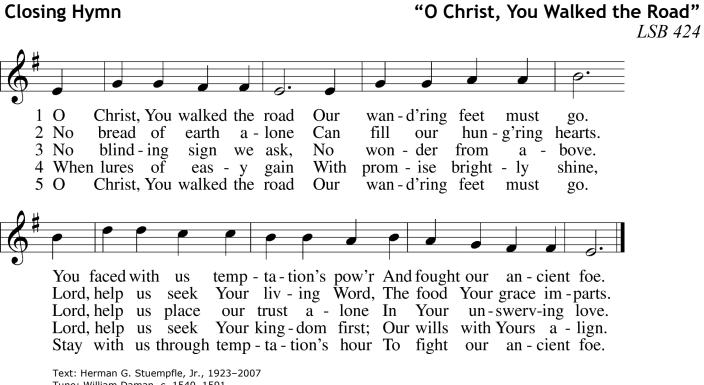
C Amen.

Benediction

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P 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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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today:	Worship at OSLC, 9am
Today:	Worship at Good Shepherd, 11:30am
Wednesday:	Bulletin Deadline, 10am
Wednesday:	Confirmation, 4:30pm
Wednesday:	Ash Wednesday Divine Service, 7pm
Saturday:	Men's Bible Breakfast, 8am
Saturday:	Worship at Immanuel, 6pm

Those Serving at OSLC

	3/2/25	3/5/25	3/9/25
Elder	Neil Rieches	Neil Rieches	Jim Winder
Organist	Linda Kellerhals	Linda Kellerhals	Linda Kellerhals
Radio Monitors	Rich and Charlene Rieches		Darren and Jamie Bakken
Sound Board	Patrick Teig	Patrick Teig	Dean Lingley
Greeters	Pastor and Renee Minton		Doug and Jennifer Morgeson
Acolyte	Ruth Harms	Ruth Harms	Jackson Lavicka
Head Usher	Marvin Wright	Marvin Wright	Marvin Wright
Altar Guild	Sheila Selk Patty Bruens	Sheila Selk Patty Bruens	Sheila Selk Patty Bruens

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST is Saturday, March 8 at 8am. We will begin a study of the *Intersection of Church and State* from Lutheran Hour Ministries Norm P. will be our host. What did Thomas Jefferson mean by the "wall of separation" between Church and State? What does Jesus say about being a citizen of both Church and State? All men of the congregation are encouraged to join us.

ASH WEDNESDAY service is Wednesday at 7pm with the Imposition of Ashes and communion. Join us as we begin our *The Salutary Gift* series with Life Giving Fruit.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS will continue in the study of the Minor Prophets. Today we will be studying Micah. We have plenty of room and the coffee and treats are free! This is also a great opportunity to get to know your pastor as bible class is the place to chat and laugh.

IT IS THAT TIME OF THE YEAR!! Please let Linda Kellerhals know by March 16 if you want to be a member of LWML of Our Savior Lutheran Church. We do not have meetings but still collect mites for the benefit of fund raisers. The dues will be \$15, part of which goes to receiving the Quarterly booklet.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES SUNDAY will be March 9th at St. John's in Buckley, IL. Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler will be the guest speaker. The service will begin at 11am. Lunch will be served after the service in the school gym. The free will offering will be given to LHM. Please let Pastor know by March 2 if you plan to attend the lunch. Come and learn more about the mission of Lutheran Hour Ministries – Together. One family. Connected in Christ.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH in Buckley is hosting a special Lutheran Hour Ministries service on Sunday, March 9 at 11 a.m. with Pastor Ziegler preaching. There will be a special joint/combined choir for this service. We will be singing an SAB arrangement of "Lamb of God." Music will be provided for anyone interested. Practices will be held at St. John's in Buckley at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 9. If you are interested or if you have any questions, please contact Rebekah Sanders via call or text at 217-840-0660.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE "God sent His Son to save us, not because we asked, but because He loves us. God wants you to call on Him, not because He needs the information, and not just because He wants to rescue you from distress. He wants to rescue you for a new life, for a life of trusting that He wants to hear from you, of living with His Word inside you, a life responding with God's love to others in their distress, even before they call." *Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, The Lutheran Hour – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • *lutheransforlife.org*

PRAYER LIST

Those celebrating a birthday:

Paula JusticeMondayJennifer MorgesonTuesdayErica AndersonThursdaySandra StuckwischThursday

Those celebrating an anniversary:

Kevin and Kasey Moore To

Today (34 years)

Those suffering from cancer:

Linda Buhrmester John Lee Nancy Tobeck Connie Bruns, organist at Calvary Janet Doyle, friend of Patty Bruens Kim Cann, friend of Becky Bridge Dale Colvin, cousin of Jim Winder Tim Evans, brother in law of Bob Storm Hugo Hasz, brother of Dorothy Knake Lisa High, friend of Becky Hiles Kendra Howard, niece of Doug Benner Pamela Howard, sister of Doug Benner Becky Lehmann, cousin of Bob Storm Fred Wright, brother of Marvin Wright

Those requesting your prayers:

Phil Raddatz, recovering from heart surgery Mary Schroeder, Sara Janssen's mother, recovering from fall Those recovering from Hurricanes Helene and Milton Those recovering from the wildfires in California

Homebound Members

Dianne Estes Delmer Henrichs Arlene Hines Dorothy Knake Joann Sloan Brenda St. Peter

Those serving in our Armed Forces and our local Law Enforcement, especially those connected to the OSLC family:

Armed Forces

Karl Gibbs - serving as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy Justin McGahan - Milford community member, serving in the U.S. Army Corey Moore - OSLC Member and son of Kevin and Kasey Moore, serving in the U.S. Marine Reserves Timothy Raddatz - nephew of Phil and Cindy Raddatz, serving in the U.S. Coast Guard Kaleb Waldbeser - friend of Bob and Donna Flesher, serving in the U.S. Marine Corp.

Law Enforcement

Wyatt Alt - Iroquois County Sheriff Department

Central Illinois District Congregations: Trinity in Pekin and Mark Drews her pastor.

Iroquois Circuit Congregations: St. John in Buckley and Kevin Wyckoff her pastor.

Those studying at the Seminary:

Vicar Simon Niemtschk, St. Paul in Carroll, IA Seminarian Jacob Bergstedt, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft Wayne, IN.

Those serving in the Mission Field:

Rev. Samuel Bobby, his wife Erica, and sons Judah, August, Benjamin, Simon, and Pax, our adopted international missionary, currently serving in Latvia. Rev. Bobby teaches at The Luther Academy, the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia.



Moments with Mahlah

For the Week of February 23, 2025

Mahlah's week began with a visit to her friends at Trinity Church in Ashkum. Kami Kimmel was handler, and there was lots of attention and love for Mahlah.



On Monday Mahlah made her regular visits to the Iroquois Resident Home and the ARC in Watseka. Her handler was Susan Yergler and her ministry partner was Rod Yergler.



Tuesday brought visits to the Caldwell Home and Earl Park Benton County Retirement Village in the morning, and to Autumn Trace Senior Communities in Kentland in the afternoon. Diane Costello was the handler for the day.



At this writing Mahlah was scheduled to visit the South Newton Elementary School on Thursday with Diane Costello as her handler, and then to travel to Prairieview on Friday, with Susan and Rod Yergler serving as handler and ministry partner.

Remember to email Mahlah at Mahlah@K9Comfort.org if you know of an individual or organization that would benefit from a visit. Thanks for your continued support as we seek to bring the compassion, mercy, presence, and proclamation of Jesus to all.