

# *Transfiguration of our Lord*

*February 11, 2018*



*Area Churches Together  
ACT Parish*

**DeGraff/Murdock Area**

Bethesda Lutheran  
Buffalo Lake Lutheran

**Pennock Area**

Mamrelund Lutheran  
St. John's Lutheran

**Sunburg Area**

Hope Lutheran  
Monson Lake Lutheran

## *Confession and Forgiveness*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Loving God,

**we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.**

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of † Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## *Gathering Hymn*

*LBW 526 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

## *Greeting*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## *Prayer of the Day*

**Almighty God, the magnificent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## *First Reading*

*Psalms 50:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken; calling the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

<sup>2</sup>Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God shines forth in glory. <sup>3</sup>Our God will come and will not keep silence; with a consuming flame before, and round about a raging storm. <sup>4</sup>God calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgment of the people. <sup>5</sup>“Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.” <sup>6</sup>The heavens declare the rightness of God's cause, for it is God who is judge.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## *Gospel*

*Mark 9:2-9*

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you O Christ.**

## *Sermon*

## *Hymn of the Day*

*LBW 315 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

## *Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## *Prayers of Intercession*

## *Offering*

## *Offertory*

**Let the vineyards be fruitful Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

## *Words of Institution*

*In the night in which he was betrayed...*

## *Lord's Prayer*

**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.**

## *Communion*

## *Blessing*

## *Benediction*

## *Announcements*

## *Sending Hymn*

*LBW 518 Beautiful Savior*

## *Dismissal*

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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## **Remember in Prayer**

Janice Lindgren, Mary Rood, Max Graves, Shirley Rand, Trent Olson,  
Emalea Edberg, Marilyn Freese and Elaine Sjelstad

### **Today, Sunday, February 11**

8:45am - Bethesda's library benefit before the 9:30am worship  
12:30pm – ACT Parish Council Meeting at Bethesda

### **Tuesday, February 13**

8:30-10:30am – Community Coffee at Hope Lutheran in Sunburg  
9:30am – Coffee & Conversation at Bethesda  
1pm - Coffee & Conversation at Hope  
5-7pm – Mamrelund's Fat Tuesday Meal. Free will donations will be given towards Mamrelunds Youth Fund. All are WELCOME!



### **Wednesday, February 14 - Ash Wednesday**

1:30pm – Mamrelund Dorcas Circle  
7pm – Mamrelund and Hope Ash Wednesday services

### **Sunday, February 18**

No Sunday School at Bethesda  
12:30pm - Following ACT worship services, Bethesda is sponsoring an "ACT Parish Smorgasbord" for ACT Parish members at Bethesda. *Menu: Swedish meatballs, potato sausage, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, beans, ostkaka, baked rice, fruit soup, fellowship fruit salad, deviled eggs, herring, beet pickles, Swedish limpa bread, lefse, Swedish Rice Mold with raspberry sauce, T-ring, krumkaka, rosettes.* Cost is \$10/person with a limit of 50 people. In order to keep track of the numbers, please sign up with Jan Bjornkjeld only. Call her at 875-3921; leave a message if there is no answer. If you sign up and then discover you are not able to attend, please let her know that, too. Proceeds from this event will be given to the "Bethesda Playground Fund".

### **Tuesday, February 20**

8:30-10:30am – Community Coffee at Hope Lutheran in Sunburg  
9:30am – Coffee & Conversation at Bethesda  
1pm - Coffee & Conversation at Hope  
6:30pm – Pastor Michelle Internship meeting at Mamrelund

### **Wednesday, February 21**

6pm – Lenten supper at St. John's & Hope  
7pm – Lenten worship at St. John's & Hope

**Sunday, February 25** - 2pm - Lakeland Conference Spring Assembly at Immanuel Lutheran in Clara City.

### **Tuesday, February 27**

8:30-10:30am – Community Coffee at Hope Lutheran in Sunburg  
9:30am – Coffee & Conversation at Bethesda  
1pm - Coffee & Conversation at Hope

### **Wednesday, February 28**

6pm – Lenten supper at Mamrelund & Hope  
7pm – Lenten worship at Mamrelund & Hope