



**Salem Lutheran Church
401 S. Lake St. Lake Mills IA 50450**

Welcome to the House of the Lord

**Transfiguration of Our Lord
Last Sunday after Epiphany**

February 23, 2020 - 10:30 a.m.



Salem's Mission and Vision

We are God forgiven and mission driven.

As God's people...we desire to be that Lake Mills place where belonging, healing, growing, serving and believing are open to all, regardless of background, experience or aptitude. Central to this is that we are a- forgiving, mission-driven community, which means we all want to have an impact, shaped by the love of Christ to serve all others.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters. **Amen.**

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God who searches us and knows us,

you have shown us what is good,

but we have looked to other lights to find our way.

We have not been just in our dealings with others.

We have chosen revenge over mercy.

We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you.

With what shall we come before you?

Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation

in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Beloved of God,

you have not received the spirit of the world,

but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus

Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; ☩ your sins are

forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven. **Amen.**

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

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME**SCRIPTURE SONG****THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE**

1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain.

¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

SERMON SONG

Be Thou My Vision

Volume 5

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response to the petitions: **your mercy is great.**

Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine.

We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made.

Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit.

We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
Come to the table of mercy and joy.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Faithful God,
you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God,
and the source of our life together,
keep you united in mind and purpose.
And the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Beautiful One

Volume 1

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let your light shine.
Thanks be to God.

SENDING MUSIC

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Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson Assisting: Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey Ushers/Acolytes: Elijah Menke, Carter Helgeson and families	Altar Guild for February: Shelley Hagenson, Sharon Johnson
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The radio broadcast this morning is given in loving memory of Mary Nelson from Doc and family.

Rescheduled...

Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Come join us for Family Game Day...BINGO edition.

We will provide a meal and BINGO fun for the whole family.



Upcoming Faith Formation Events...

FEBRUARY

23 Family BINGO Event 11:30 a.m.

MARCH

1 Ski Trip Mt Kato

8 Play & Pray 9:35 a.m.

5th Grade First Communion Class Begins

4 year old-2nd grade sing at 10:30 service

15 5th Grade First Communion Class

22 5th Grade First Communion Class

29 5th Grade First Communion Class

APRIL

5 Play and Pray 9:35 a.m.

5th Grade First Communion Class

4 year old-2nd grade sing at 10:30

9 Maundy Thursday – 5th Grade 1st
Communion Class

12 EASTER – Egg Hung at 9:45 a.m.

MAY

3 Confirmation Sunday

10 Last Day of Faith Formation
Play & Pray 9:35 a.m.

4 year old-2nd grade sing at 10:30

17 Graduation Sunday

Lutheran World Relief...Health Kits

Kit items will be collected during Lent. You may place them in the basket in the narthex. Kits include: 1 light-weight bath sized towel; dark color, 2 or three bath-sizes bars of soap equaling 8-9 ounces, in original wrapping; 1 adult-size toothbrush in original packaging; 1 sturdy comb, removing packaging; 1 metal nail clipper, remove packaging.

Reserve your special date to sponsor a 2020 8:30 a.m. radio broadcast.

The 8:30 a.m. worship service is heard on KIOW (107.3 FM) radio in Forest City and on cable channel 2. Cost for 2020 is \$83. CALL THE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR DATE - 641.592.1771.

2020 BROADCAST DATES AVAILABLE:

March 29, May 3, 10, 24, June 21, July 12, 19, 26, Aug. 2, 9, 30, Sept. 6, 20,
Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, Dec. 6, 13, 27

Lent/Holy Week Schedule:

February 26 - 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service (No Confirmation)

March 4, 22, 18, 25, April 1 – 7:00 p.m. Lent Services (Confirmation Class as Scheduled)

April 9 – 5th Grade Family Meal – 6:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday & 5th Grade First Communion Service – 7:00 p.m.

April 10 – Good Friday Service – 7:00 p.m.

April 12 – Traditional Easter Worship – 8:30 a.m.

Easter Breakfast - 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt - 9:45 a.m.

Contemporary Easter Worship - 10:30 a.m.

The Transfiguration

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" Matthew 17:5 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 17:1-9



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**Save Local Lives
Lake Mills Community Blood Drive**

Tuesday, March 10, 2020
1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Salem Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
401 South Lake Street, Lake Mills IA

To make an appointment,
contact LifeServe Blood Center
at 800. 287.4903 or visit
www.liveservebloodcenter.org



Salem's Clothes Closet is open Mondays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Donations of new socks & underwear are always needed.

Please consider donating any new or gently used children's coats to the Clothes Closet.

Hats and mittens are also needed to keep our youngsters warm.

These items can be brought to the church office, or contact Rita Anderson.

'Thank You' from the Good Samaritan Committee.

The Good Samaritan Ministry Team meets the last Wednesday of the month at 6:15 pm.

CHURCH DASHBOARD FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

LAST SUNDAY, 02/16/20: \$5,584

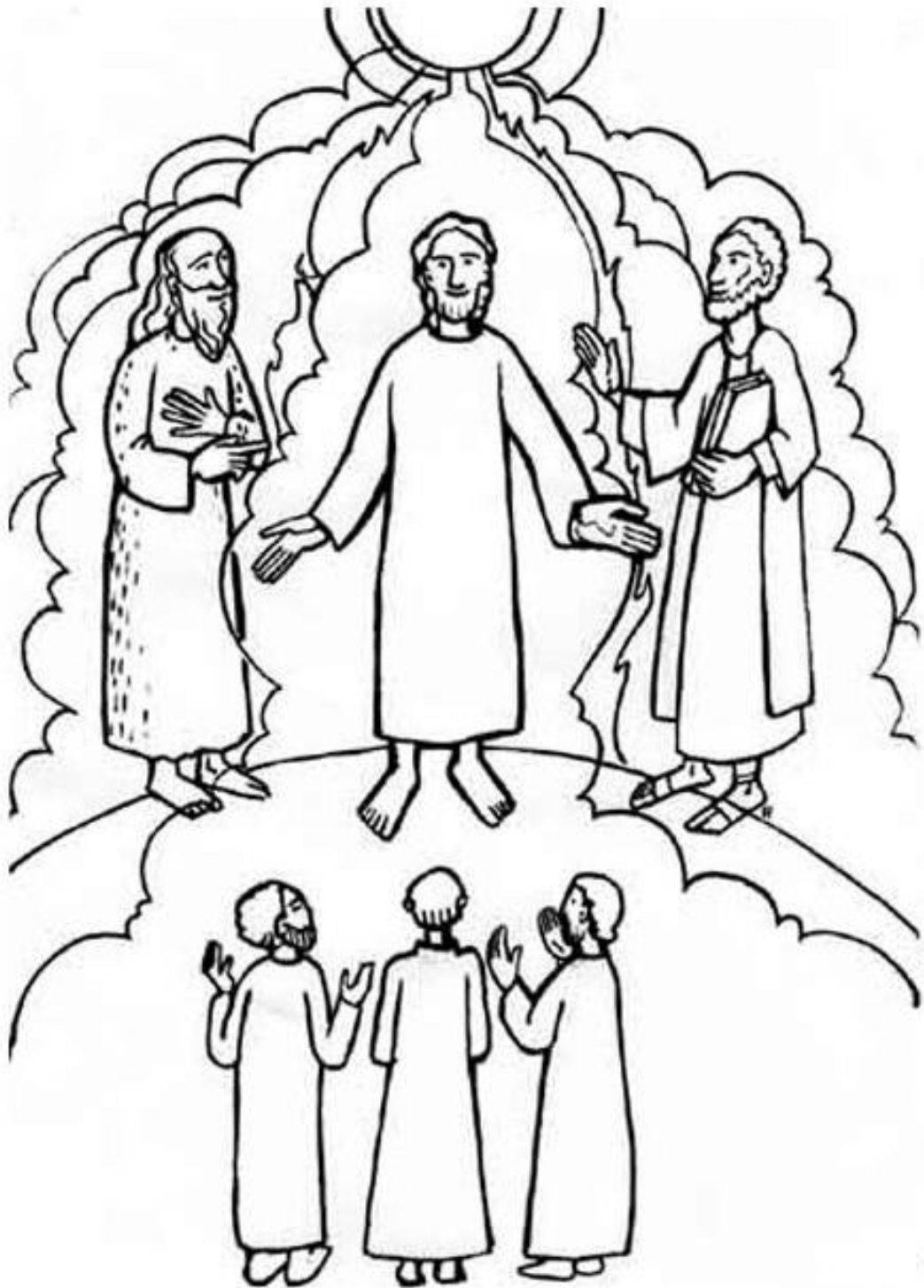
Year-to-date as of 02/17/20: \$31,528

Last year as of 02/17/19: \$29,658

DIFFERENCE YEAR-TO-DATE: \$1,870

Attendance: Those worshipping February 15/16: 115

SIX	PETER	CLOTHES	VOICE	JOHN
LOVE	MOSES	GOOD	WHITE	ELIJAH
JAMES	DAYS	APPEARED	MOUNTAIN	HIGH



THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Faith Formation; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service – Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. VBS Planning Meeting – Winnebago Lutheran Church

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet Open – Room #7; Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall

2:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

1:00 p.m. Staff

3:15 p.m. Daisy Scouts – Room #2

7:00 p.m. Stephens Ministry – Lounge

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

1:45 p.m. Mills Harbour Communion

2:30 p.m. LMCC Communion

No Confirmation Class

6:15 p.m. Good Samaritan - Library

7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service - Sanctuary

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

5:45 p.m. Worship & Music - Library

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

3:15 p.m. Brownie Scouts – Room #2

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

5:30 p.m. Casual Communion Service– Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Service - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Faith Formation; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service – Sanctuary – 4 year olds-2nd Grade Sing

12:30 p.m. Ski Trip to Mt. Kato

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