



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

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Transfiguration of Our Lord

March 3, 2019 - 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus will be unable to avoid reflecting that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see the glory of the Lord in the word and in the supper and who are being “transformed into the same image” by the Spirit of God.

PRELUDE

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Hymntune: “Mit Freuden zart”

GATHERING MUSIC

GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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 fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

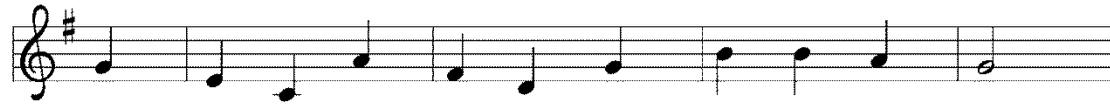
Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.
Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

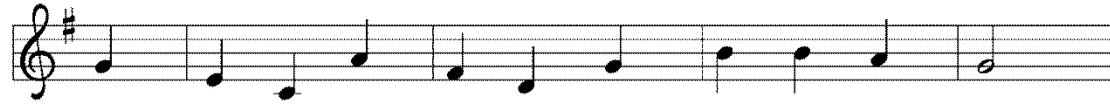
We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE 8:30 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ELW #834



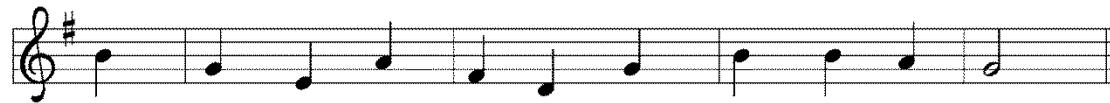
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

10:30 *Spirit of the Living God*

WP #129 (see insert)

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

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

A reading from Exodus.

²⁹Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 99 *The Psalm is read responsively beginning with the pulpit side.*

¹The LORD is king; let the people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

²**The LORD, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.**

³Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;

God is the Holy One.

⁴**O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

⁵Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool;
God is the Holy One.

⁶**Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call
upon your name, O LORD, they called upon you, and you answered them,**

⁷you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

⁸**O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

⁹Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill;
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

A reading from 2 Corinthians.

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 8:30

Alleluia

ELW page 151



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

10:30

Faith Formation

Gospel: Luke 9:28-43a

The holy gospel according to Luke.

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 while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" —not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was

saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ^{43a}And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY	8:30	<i>How Good, Lord, to be Here</i>	ELW #315
	10:30	<i>Shine, Jesus Shine</i>	WP #123 (see insert)

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

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence. Response to the prayers: **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

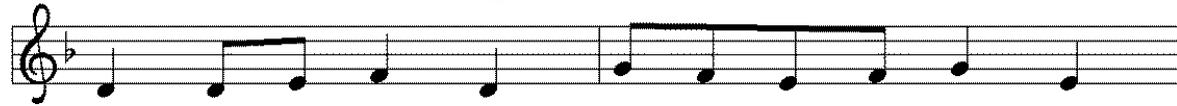
MEAL

OFFERING MUSIC	8:30	<i>We Sing the Mighty Power of God</i>	Senior Choir
	10:30	<i>Friends of the Father</i>	Creature Praise Choir

OFFERTORY 8:30, 10:30

Light Shone in Darkness

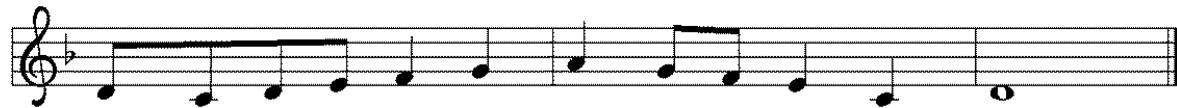
ELW #307



1 Light shone in dark - ness at the world's cre - a - tion,
2 Light shone in dark - ness at the new cre - a - tion;
3 Light shines in dark - ness till the full cre - a - tion;



bath - ing in beau - ty na - ture's rev - e - la - tion. All that has be - ing,
Christ rose in glo - ry, won for us sal - va - tion. Sing, earth and heav - en,
Christ's bod - y, groan - ing, suf - fers trib - u - la - tion, longs for God's jus - tice,



cry in ad - o - ra - tion, "Praise for the light. A - men!"
hymns of ju - bi - la - tion, praise for the light. A - men!
glob - al trans - for - ma - tion, prays for the light. A - men!

OFFERING PRAYER

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

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.

Eucharistic Prayer

*This eucharistic prayer is based on the 1599 Epiphany hymn "Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern." Honored as the Queen of Chorales and translated as "O Morning Star, how fair and bright!" (ELW 308), it was written and composed by Philipp Nicolai. The presider may chant the words printed in bold typeface to the suggested pitches, which echo the chorale. The remaining text can be spoken, intoned freely, or chanted using other phrases from the hymn tune. The suggested pitches are helpful in a version for the presiding minister's book but may be omitted in a version printed for the congregation. The assembly may echo the presiding minister's **Alleluia!** and **Amens**.*

Al-might-y Lord [*do-sol-mi-do*],
we praise your shining light, your glowing grace.
From before the earth's foundation,
you loved us and promised us life forever.
Within the earth's deep sadness,
we laud your great and glorious might.
Despite our tears and sinning,
we sing of the gladness of your mercy.
We praise your Son, **our Morn-ing Star**. [*do-sol-mi-do*]
Christ is **our dia-mond bright**,
our trea-sure dear. [*do-sol-mi-do, sol-la-la-sol*]
He is our living Savior who has ransomed us in love.
He keeps us yours and fails us never—
today, tomorrow, and every day.

On the night before his great salvation, he 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.

With joy we tell our story:

Al-le-lu-ia! [sol-mi-sol-mi]

[Assembly echoes:] **Al-le-lu-ia!**

We call for your Spirit on us and this meal.

Refresh our souls with this heavenly food,

the body and blood of your Son.

Nourish us as branches of your tree,

and enlighten us with your undying flame.

We sing out to the Father, we ring out to the Son,

we exult in the Spirit.

Transport us in our yearning,

and be for us the end and the beginning,

our purest pleasure, our victorious crown,

our never-ending love.

And so we pray and praise:

A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men. [high do-sol-la-sol, fa-mi-re-do]

[Assembly echoes:] **A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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

Come to the table.

Feast on God's abundant life for you.

COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

10:30 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* Creature Praise Choir

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, O God,

that you have fed us at your banqueting table

with bread and wine beyond compare,

the very life of Christ for us.

Send your Spirit with us now,

that we may set the captive free,

use your gifts to build one another up,

and in everything reflect your glory

revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved,

and shine brightly on your path;

and the blessing of almighty God,

the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

SENDIND SONG	8:30	<i>Arise, Your Light has Come!</i>	ELW #314
	10:30	<i>Awesome God</i>	WP #13 (see insert)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

Thanks be to God.

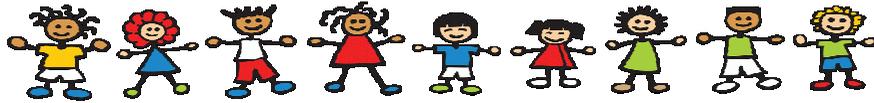
POSTLUDE

Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson	Acolytes: (8:30) Kelsey Kirschbaum, Elijah Menke
Assisting: Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey	(10:30) Sophia Nelson, Maddie Paton
Organist: (8:30) Ruth Sheldon	Reader: Tammi Alphs
Pianist: (10:30) Kathleen Nelson	Communion Servers: (8:30) Delane/Darlene Behr
Ushers: (8:30) Scott/Shelley Hagenson Family	Shannon Bruhns
(10:30) Dan/Allison Rice Family	Altar Guild for March: Gloria Kvale, Pat Thorson

The radio broadcast this morning is in loving memory of Bob Thompson's birthday, March 10, from Betty and family.

Flowers have been placed in loving memory of Eleanor Ness from her family.

Readings for next week: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18, Psalm 65:1-4, 8, Luke 18:1-8



Salem's Clothes Closet is open Mondays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Donations of new socks & underwear are always needed.
Thank you for your help.



Monday Mornings on Lake Street

There's a pot of coffee and goodies available on Monday mornings in the Lounge at Salem from 8 – 10:00 a.m.

Stop by and visit, have a cup of coffee, tea or hot chocolate and a goody, visit with friends. Bring a friend!
Call the office if you would like to provide goodies some Monday!
Free-will donation.

Reserve your special date to sponsor a 2019 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 2019 is \$83. CALL THE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR DATE - 641.592.1771.
2019 BROADCAST DATES AVAILABLE: March 24, April 21, May 5, 12, June 9, 16, 30, July 21, 28, Aug. 18, Oct. 13, 20, 27, Dec. 1, 22, 29

March-April Calendar

Sundays, March 10 – April 7: 5th Grade 1st Communion Classes will be held at 9:35 a.m. for kids and their parents during Faith Formation time. Room to be announced. Call the office asap (641.592.1711) to let us know if your child will be participating.

Wednesdays in Lent, March 13 – April 17:

Choir Practice at 5:30 p.m.

Soup Meal at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

At 7:00 p.m. we will be studying Michael Foss' book *Living the Six Marks of Discipleship: Real Faith for Real Life*. Study will be held in the fellowship hall. Books are on the table in the narthex. \$10 suggested donation. Some books are new; others are gently used with some notes and/or highlights.

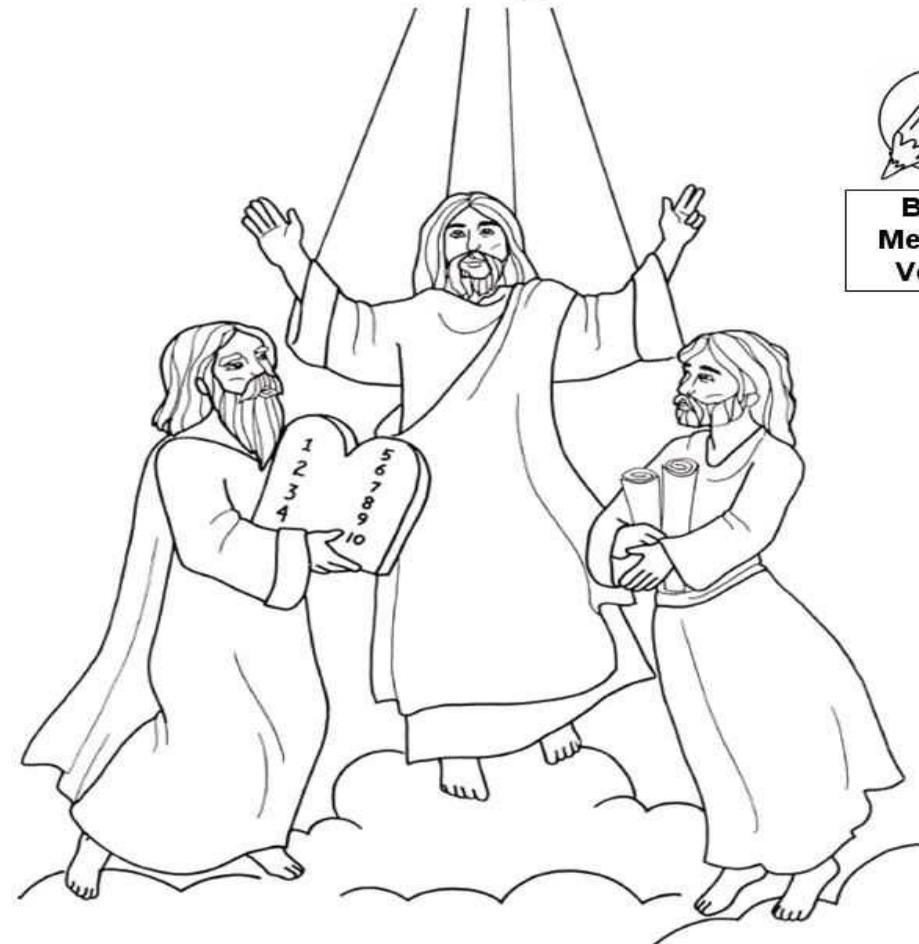


The Transfiguration of Jesus



While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white

Luke 9:29



Bible Memory Verse

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Service

9:35 a.m. Play & Pray – Lounge; Praise Creature Choir– Choir Room; Faith Formation – Chapel;
Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service – Sanctuary (4 years old – 2nd Grade Sing)

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

MONDAY, MARCH 4

8:00 a.m. Monday Coffee - Lounge

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet Open – Room #7

2:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open

3:15 p.m. Cadette Scouts – Room #2

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

9:30 a.m. Miriam Circle - Library

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

4:30 p.m. Life & Growth Real Faith Study - Lounge

5:30 p.m. Altar Guild – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

5:00 p.m. Confirmation – Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. Servant Trip Meeting - Library

6:30 p.m. Senior Choir – Choir Room

7:15 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service - Sanctuary

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

9:30 a.m. Grace Circle – Library; Ruth Circle – Lounge

5:00 p.m. Life & Growth Board - Lounge

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

3:15 p.m. Junior Scouts – Room #2

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

5:30 p.m. Casual Service - Chapel

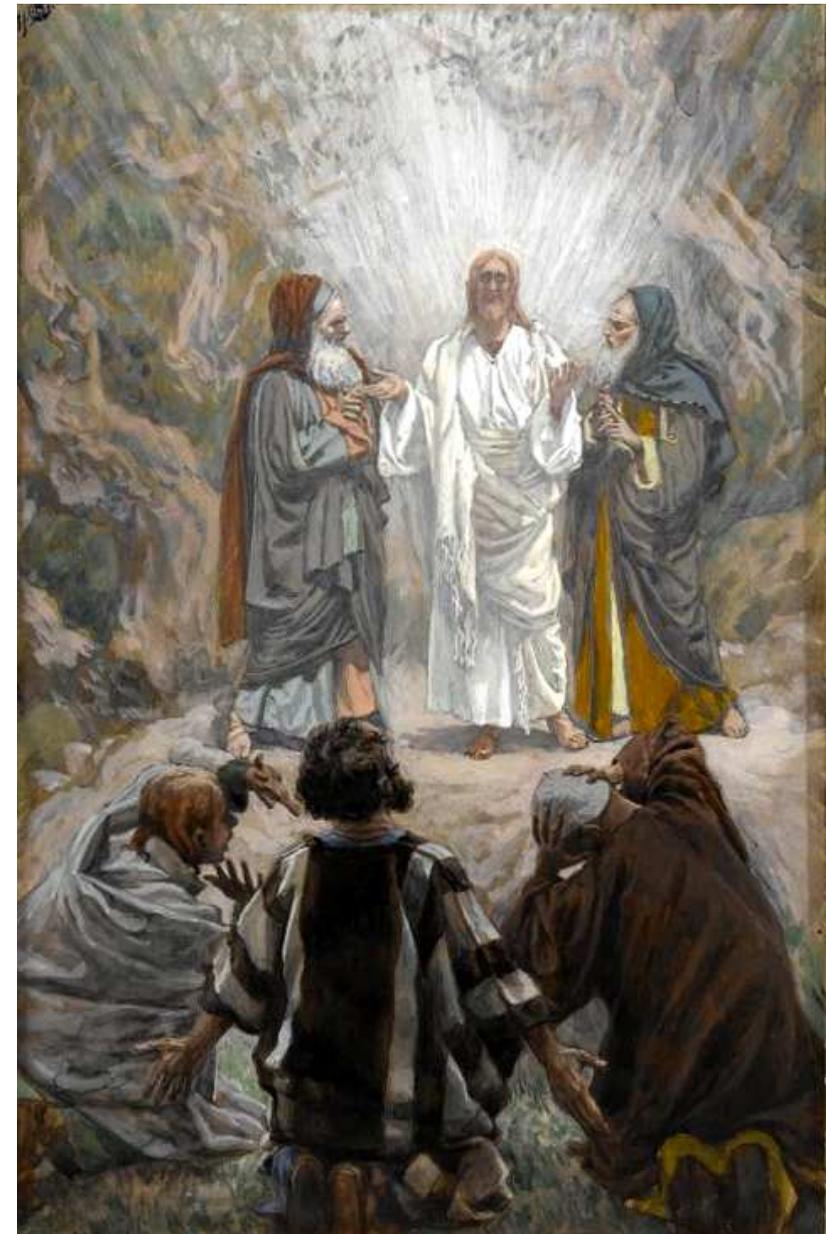
SUNDAY, MARCH 10

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service

9:35 a.m. Faith Formation - Chapel; 5th Grade 1st Communion Class;

Praise Creature Choir– Choir Room; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall

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



Church Dashboard for Contributions 02/26/2019

LAST SUNDAY, 02/24/18: \$0

Year-to-date as of 02/26/19: \$29,783 - Last year as of 02/26/18: \$43,108

DIFFERENCE YEAR-TO-DATE: -\$13,325

Attendance: Those worshipping February 23/24: All Services Cancelled

Ongoing Financial Needs: Remember whether you are at worship or on vacation, Salem still needs to keep working. **We need \$6,500-\$7,000 per week** to do the Lord's work.

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