



The Transfiguration of Our Lord

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6100 Westside Saginaw Road
Bay City, MI 48706
Sunday Worship: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Bible Classes & Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.

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WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US HERE AT ST. PAUL LUTHERAN THIS MORNING!

Visitors and guests, please sign the friendship pad (which is at the end of the row), and include your address and phone number.

Please take note of the communion information and guidelines on the inside upper panel of the friendship pad. If you are unable to come to the front for communion and desire to be communed, please sit on the end of the pew and notify the elder. Those receiving the individual cups are asked to please hold onto their cup until the elder passes by with the common cup so none will be missed.

Care cards, located in the pew rack ahead of you, can be used for prayer requests. Please hand the card to an usher or place it into the basket when the offering is received.

LITURGY

8:00 a.m. - Divine Service 3 with Communion

10:30 a.m. - Divine Service 3

HYMNS

8:00 a.m. - 413, 414, 435, 631, 802, 400

10:30 a.m. - 413, 414, 400

ANTHEM

8:00 a.m. - Youth Choir: "Be Thou My Vision"

READERS

8:00 a.m. - Ben Helmreich

10:30 a.m. - Howard McMullen

ACOLYTES

8:00 a.m. - Hayden Swartz

10:30 a.m. - Lexi Hutchinson

GREETERS

8:00 a.m. - Angela Buda, David & Stacey Hildebrant

10:30 a.m. - Vaughn & Margie Begick, Janet & Paulette Beckers

USHERS

8:00 a.m. - Group 3 – Herb Matthes, Bob Schlicker, Jason Schlicker, Art Zeilinger, Peter Auernhammer

10:30 a.m. - Group 6 – Brian Appold, Andy Weiss, Scott Weiss, Jeffrey Olson

PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING

HOMEBOUND

Dolores Appold

Dorine Auernhammer

Gwen Bakus

Erv Hoerauf

Jon Ittner

Lorna Ittner

Mike & Karen Kusch

Julie Roark

Eleanor Schlicker

Rose Anne Schmidt

Al Vogtmann

Ruth Behmlander	Irma McKenzie	Al Wegener
Armond Beiser	Margaret Meyer	Tim Wegener
Rick & Bonnie Emeott	Mary Pfund	Ferdinand Zeilinger

SPECIAL

Family of Kay Claus (Roger's mom)	Fred Morley (uncle of DJ Bourdow)
Wyatt Crouse (Dan Bourdow's grandson)	Herb Mueller (Jonathan's brother)
Cindy Eastman (surgery)	Mary Pfund (hospice)
Hedwig Gerold (cancer)	Mark Schmidt
Carl Hafer (Megean Zeilinger's dad)	Family of Ervin Schilke (Steve's dad)
Lynn (Leeta Theiss's sister-in-law; cancer)	Rita Tilley
Delmar Lutz (hospitalized)	Willard (Ken Van Cise's cousin; cancer)
	Florence Wagner
	Betty Wieland (Amanda Wills' mother; cancer)

THIS WEEK'S MEMBERS

Brian, Dylan, & Jake Appold	Ashley Kloha
Edward Beckers	Adam Mason
Billy, Karli, Chessa, & Hogan Bourdow	Carolyn & Robert Putt
Rick & Denise DuBay	Josiah Schultz
Stephanie & Marilo Guerrero	Melvin & Peggy Weiss

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>2/23</u>	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion; Gr. 5-8 Youth Choir Sings
		9:15 a.m.	Bible Classes & Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>2/25</u>	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir
		7:00 p.m.	Church Choir
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>2/26</u>	3:15 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service with Communion
		4:00 p.m.	Lenten Supper in the gym
		6:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service with Communion
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>2/27</u>	6:30 p.m.	4 th Thursday Visual Faith
<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>2/28</u>	11:30 a.m.	Early Dismissal at School
<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>	<u>3/1</u>	8:00 a.m.	Worship
		9:15 a.m.	Bible Classes & Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Celebration & Praise with Communion
		12:00 p.m.	Potluck

NOTES AND NEWS

ATTENDANCE Last Sunday – 310 (176, 134)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS Feb. 23 – Proverbs 5 Feb. 24 - Acts 17
Feb. 25 - Acts 18 Feb. 26 - Acts 19 Feb. 27 – Acts 20
Feb. 28 – Psalm 19 Feb. 29 – Psalm 20

LENTEN SEASON Lent begins Wednesday, February 26. We will have Wednesday midweek services during Lent at 3:15 and 6:30 p.m. Supper will also be served on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. at school. All are welcome! A free-will donation will be taken at each supper to support the different groups hosting. Below is the schedule:

February 26 – Alaska Mission (menu below)
March 4 – VBS
March 11 – France Mission
March 17 – Poland Mission
March 25 – 7/8th Grade
April 1 – Recreation Committee

ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP & SALAD SUPPER The Lenten meal on Wednesday, February 26 will be hosted by the Alaska Mission Group. Menu: Chicken Noodle Soup, Wild Rice Soup, or Beef Vegetable Soup, along with salad and dessert. If you would like to order any soups to go, please call or text Heidi (989-450-0975) or David (989-450-2516). Quart size with 4 rolls - \$7.00; pint size with 2 rolls - \$5.00.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS You are invited to pick up a Lenten devotion booklet, entitled "Deliver Us: Jesus Sets Us Free," in the back of church for your daily study of Scripture. Regular and large-print copies are available for you to begin reading Wednesday, February 26. Thank you to Lutheran Hour Ministries for making this resource available for us to share.

POTLUCK NEXT SUNDAY Get your recipes out and figure out what you will be making for our First Sunday Fellowship potluck on March 1st!! Enjoy a meal with your church family and hear an update on the ministry center!

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR Congregation members and current school families may now enroll for the 2020-2021 school year! Registration will open to the community on March 1, 2020. The preschool classroom is expected to fill quickly again this year. A \$75 preschool registration fee will reserve your child's spot for next year. Information and enrollment forms are available in the school office. If you desire your child to receive a Christ-centered education, please stop in the office to enroll your child. If you would like a tour and other information, please call the school office at 989.684.4450 to make arrangements.

COME AND SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE! — 4TH THURSDAY VISUAL FAITH

"Truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer." Ps 66:19. Join in praising God as we recount His steadfast love in our lives! Together we'll draw snapshots of answered prayers, the amazing people in our lives, and the "awesome deeds" He has done. "But I can't draw people..." Sure you can! You'll be able to by the end of the evening, promise. Come and learn, be encouraged, and praise God in prayer and creativity! Thursday, 2/27, in the school auditorium, 6:30-8:30. Bring your Bible, a notebook, and a friend! Questions call or text Katie, 989.225.3532.

LADIES AID Ladies Aid meeting is Monday March 2 at 7 PM with a shower for Missionaries James and Christel Neuendorf. They have indicated what they could use most are arts and craft 'kits' for use in their work. To best facilitate this, the Ladies Aid will be collecting monetary donations at the meeting, the committee will purchase bulk supplies and then we will assemble into kits at the May meeting. Donations are appreciated from anyone. Contact LA Program committee for more information or to donate; Dorothy Martin 914-489-0683, Heidi Eichinger 860-7267.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE The Tri-City Good Friday Worship Service will be held on April 10, 2020 at the Horizon's Conference Center at 6200 State Street in Saginaw Township at 1 pm. The Reverend Dr. Robert Kasper will be the guest speaker. He is the Assistant to the President of the Michigan District-Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and serves as the congregation Mission/Ministry Facilitator for the Metro Zone. In order to underwrite the cost of this service, we are seeking support from congregation members as we have done in the past. If you would like to donate, contact your congregation representative, Vaughn Begick, at 686-0578. Checks should be made out to "Good Friday Service". Thank you for any support you can give, and invite your relatives, friends and unchurched acquaintances to join us at the service.

ST PAUL LADIES! Here's how to brighten and warm a few hours on a wintery Saturday morning the end of February! Our LWML Bay Area Zone Prayer Day will be held February 29, 2020 at St. John, Amelith. Registration - 8:45 AM Breakfast - 9:00 AM and it's only a few delightful, inspirational hours, not a whole day! (\$5.00 donation requested for breakfast). RSVP by Friday, February 21, 2020 to Dorothy Helmreich (text-989-213-1515, hdhelmreich@gmail.com or email Cheri Fish (St John's host): crosslwml@gmail.com

SCRIP Did you know St Paul sells gift cards to many places in the Tri City area like Meijers, Walmart (which can be used at Sams), Dicks, Cabela's, Speedway, Kohls, JCPenneys, Joann Fabric, Cracker Barrel, Bob Evans, Red Lobster, and so much more?!? These gift cards DO NOT cost you any extra money. How it works is St Paul earns a

percentage from each card that we sell. It is an easy way to give money back to St Paul without costing you anything. Scrip cards are available at school all day Monday-Thursday and until 1pm on Fridays.

MANY THANKS! Thank you for all the thoughts and prayers before and after my surgery. Thank you also to Pastor for your visit. ~ Bill Snelenberger

LAY READERS The Elders are looking to update the Sunday lesson reader list. Any man interested in being a reader on a regular or substitute basis please contact Tom Appold at 989-686-1417.

CALL TO MANISTEE Trinity Lutheran School in Manistee, Michigan, has extended a call to Lisa Stanley to teach 3rd & 4th grade. Please keep Lisa in your prayers as she contemplates her two calls, here to St. Paul and there at Trinity.

SEE ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR TO FIND DATES TO PLACE FLOWERS The Altar Flowers Calendar for 2020 is hanging on the wall in the cry room in the back of church. If you would like to put flowers in church, you may mark it down on the calendar. You order the flowers, and the committee will make sure the information is published in the church bulletin.

SAGINAW SPIRIT TEACHER APPRECIATION NIGHT! Come join your St. Paul Church and School family for a fun night at the Dow Event Center! The Saginaw Spirit will be recognizing the importance of schools and educators at the home game 7:05 p.m. on Friday, February 28th, and they want to encourage families to come and be a part of supporting their school and teachers. Tickets are all \$9.00 for everyone 3 years old and up, and can be gotten directly from the Saginaw Spirit. Here's how it works:

1. Go to <https://www.saginawspirit.net/groupsales>
2. Enter the username: teacher and the password: spirit
3. Purchase your tickets which will be held at the Will Call window under your name.
4. Make sure you put in the "Notes" section that you are from "St. Paul Lutheran - Frankenlust" so that they put all of our people in the same section together!

Easy Peasy. Get your tickets soon as the site is active right now until the 27th. Enjoy the game!

CLASSES FOR NEW MEMBERS Pastor's "Lutheranism 101" class will meet Sundays at 4 p.m. in the school auditorium starting March 1. Anyone interested in becoming a member or anyone else who would like to learn is invited to attend.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE Sign up today! Sunday, March 15 at 2 p.m. St. Paul will participate in Bay City's St. Patrick's Day Parade. Join the fun! Very few spots remain for children riding on the float. Older children

may walk with their parent. Participating families are encouraged to either donate a few dollars or a few bags of candy to distribute at the parade. A waiver must be signed prior to the event. Contact Kristen Glasser at 989-529-2962 to participate.

AUCTION FUNDRAISER Get ready for our auction fundraiser for the Ministry Center! Sunday, March 22, 4-6pm supper (free will donation) and silent auction, 6:00 Live Auction. Auction will be held in the school gym. 65" smart tv, cabin rentals, quilts, Epson printer, a Traverse City wine tour and tasting, cornhole games, and many, many more items up for bid. Come for supper-stay for the fun!

SHOE COLLECTION Valley Lutheran's student-led organization, Key Club, is holding a shoe drive. They are partnering with Funds2orgs. This organization gives the shoes you donate to micro-entrepreneurs in third world countries. This provides jobs and the means for working age adults to provide for their families. In return for collecting shoes, Funds2orgs gives \$1000 to the organization that collects these shoes. Key Club can then take this money and invest in other community projects. Bring in your gently used or new shoes Feb. 23-March 15 to help Key Club achieve their goal of collecting 2,500 pairs of shoes. A collection box will be here at St. Paul. (No single shoes, no holey shoes, no ice skates, no rollerblades). If you have more questions, contact Barry Wittig- bwittig@vlhs.com or go to <https://funds2orgs.com/faq/> for answers to commonly asked questions.

VALLEY LUTHERAN AUCTION & BENEFIT DINNER There are still tickets available for Valley's annual auction and benefit dinner - and you are invited! While this year's theme is CLUE, there is really no mystery here: it's sure to be an evening of fun and fellowship, all in support of the ministry of Valley Lutheran High School. Hope you can attend. Visit vlhsauction.com for more information and to purchase your tickets today.

SAVE THE DATE Valley Lutheran High School invites you to join for a celebration of the ministry of Dr. John Brandt. Kindly mark your calendars for Saturday, May 16, 2020, and plan to join us at Horizons Conference Center as we thank and honor Dr. Brandt for his 40 years of service to the school. Tickets on sale March 1, 2020. Visit www.vlhs.com/brandtretirement for more information and to purchase tickets.

COACH NEEDED AT VALLEY LUTHERAN FOR THIS SPRING Valley Lutheran High School is looking for a JV baseball coach for this coming spring season (2020). If interested and you'd like more information, please contact Athletic Director Eric Smith (esmith@vlhs.com) or Head Coach Kurt Hofmeister (khofmeister@vlhs.com) or call 989-225-7385).

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 24:8–18 (ESV)

⁸ And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." ⁹ Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰ and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹ And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

¹² The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³ So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them."

¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now 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. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

EPISTLE READING

2 Peter 1:16–21 (ESV)

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," ¹⁸ we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹ And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰ knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1–9 (ESV)

¹ After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. ³ And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁵ He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." ⁸ And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. ⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

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