

#### Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church 20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350

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## TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD MARCH 2, 2025

#### HYMN – 624 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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CONFESSION
LORD, HAVE MERCY
GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

#### The Word

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of your only-begotten Son, you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah; and in the voice that came from the bright cloud, you foreshadowed our adoption as your sons. In your mercy, make us co-heirs of glory with Jesus our King, and bring us at last to heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### FIRST READING - Exodus 34:29-35

<sup>29</sup> When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. <sup>30</sup> When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. <sup>32</sup> Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the Lord had given him on Mount Sinai.

<sup>33</sup> When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. <sup>34</sup> But whenever he entered the Lord's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup> they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord.

#### PSALM 2

#### SECOND READING - 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

<sup>7</sup>Now if the ministry that brought death, which was engraved in letters on stone, came with glory, so that the Israelites could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of its glory, transitory though it was, <sup>8</sup> will not the ministry of the Spirit be even more glorious? <sup>9</sup>If the ministry that brought condemnation was glorious, how much more glorious is the ministry that brings righteousness! <sup>10</sup>For what was glorious has no glory now in comparison with the surpassing glory. <sup>11</sup>And if what was transitory came with glory, how much greater is the glory of that which lasts!

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. <sup>13</sup> We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. <sup>14</sup> But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup> Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. <sup>16</sup> But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 194**



**All:** A cloud covered them, and a voice came / from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Lis- / ten to him.

Refrain

#### **GOSPEL – Luke 9:28-36**

<sup>28</sup> About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. <sup>30</sup> Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. <sup>31</sup> They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. <sup>33</sup> As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

<sup>34</sup> While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." <sup>36</sup> When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

HYMN – 388 "Down from the Mount of Glory"

**SERMON – Luke 9:28-36** 

"His Glory For Our Good"

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**OFFERING** 

HYMN – 391 "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"

**PRAYER** 

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN - 522 "Beautiful Savior"

#### Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek Elder: Jason Horrmann Video Taping: Mark DeVries Power Point: Alex/Lily

Altar Guild: Wendy Hellwig and Sharon Smith

Ushers: Kori Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Steve Wendorff, Craig Kohls,

Carl Horrmann, Tom Schlueter, Lucas Plamann, Mike Yerks

#### ~~Calendar of Events & Announcements~~

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Living in God's Grace this Week			
Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service - Celebration
		<b></b>	Sunday for Building Hearts for
		Viesus	Jesus
Monday:	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study at ILC
Wednesday:	2:00	p.m.	Worship at Zion
	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
	5:30	p.m.	Supper Served
	7:00	p.m.	Worship at Immanuel
Thursday:	6:00	p.m.	Ladies Aid at Crow River Winery
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service

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Monthly Calendar (under Church/calendar)
Weekly Bulletins (under Church/service)

Church Services Broadcasted Mondays at 10:00 am & Sundays at 9 pm on Nuvera channel 10 or Mediacom channel 107.3



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Services are streamed live on Sundays at 10 a.m.



#### **Immanuel Grace Lutheran School**

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## Day Light Savings – Turn Clocks AHEAD one hour Sunday, March 9

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In March, we will be collecting for the **McLeod County Food Shelf**. March is the MN Food
Share Campaign. All donations, including
monetary, during the campaign are multiplied by
the Food Fund. Collection boxes will be in the
entryway. *Thank you for your help*.



## Ash Wednesday Wednesday, March 5

2p Worship at Zion 5:30 to 6:30p Supper Served at ILC 7p Worship at Immanuel

#### Ladies Aid is serving Soup and Sandwiches

To be served before church starting at 5:30p to 6:30p Free will offering



Ladies Aid is hosting a tour at the **Crow River Winery** on Thursday, March 6 at 6:00 PM.
Everyone over 21 years of age is welcome. Feel free to invite your friends. The tour is \$10.00 per person. To participate in the tasting is an

additional \$10.00. Please see the sign up sheet in the entry way. We ask each person to sign up on their own line.

Please note: The March 4, 2025 Ladies Aid meeting has been <u>cancelled</u>.

The next meeting is Tuesday, April 1. The Ladies Aid meeting will include massage therapist Sherronda Moore. She will speak on the benefits of massage. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM in the meeting room. Everyone is welcome.



#### **School Calendar**

March 2 IGLS sing at St. Paul's March 3 to 7 – Christian Ed Week



March 10 to 11 – No School/Spring Break

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## Just some updates:

First and foremost: **Thank you!** To all who have attended the Group and/or Leadership meetings. We appreciate you taking the time to hear about the *Building Hearts for Jesus* campaign.

And to those for your generous support. The generosity of several families, have given us a strong start! These devoted believers have already committed \$394,000 toward our goal of \$700,000.

# From the initial start, to now, we are now at \$556,350 towards our goal!

If you haven't returned your **Promise Sheet** yet, please return them to:

- The box on the school table in the entry way
- The Offering Plate
- To Eileen Prieve, Mailbox #48
  - o If they could be returned by March 17, as this will help us evaluate where we are at in reaching our goal of raising \$700,000.
  - Extra copies are on the school table in the entry way.
     (Blue sheet)
  - O When making your contribution, you can write out your check to the church, <u>but make a notation that it is for the</u> <u>school.</u> Or you can write out to the school and still place in the offering plate as the checks will be given to the school.

Thank you! Thank you!

## Give Eagerly



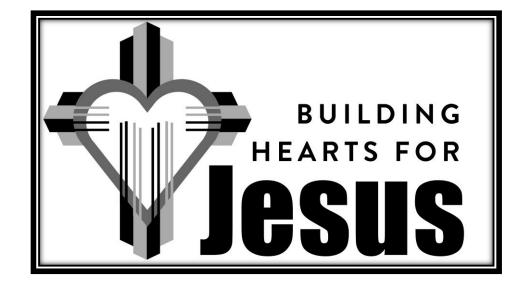
Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. (2 Corinthians 9:6, NIV 1984)

Ithough many of the Bible's teachings are not practiced in the business world today, one principle is adopted regularly. Many business investors use the motto: Invest a little, make a little ...invest a lot, make a lot. Perhaps you have followed this motto for monetary gain. The principle has worked for some people, but it has been a catastrophe for others who invested in the wrong thing.

Investing can be risky if you don't understand what you are investing in. The attraction of giving to God's kingdom work is that you're investing in an unchanging God who freely gives eternal life for those who seek Him. God promises a special "return on investment" for those whose giving goes toward his Kingdom. He encourages us to give generously with the promise the return of that investment will be generous.

We can give eagerly knowing full well that God will bless our giving. Those who practice generous giving have seen many blessings come into their lives. Through our giving we eagerly anticipate that God will generously bless us.

Ing Solomon expressed this same principle of generosity in Proverbs 11:25, "A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others, will be refreshed". God does not want us to give with a selfish intent. It is easy to focus on ourselves (needs and desires) rather than others. Eager investing channels gifts toward ministries that focus on sharing Jesus with others. May our combined efforts at Good Shepherd always focus on Jesus!



## Celebration Sunday March 2, 2025