



Transfiguration of Our Lord

Sunday, February 11, 2018

8:00 & 10:45 a.m. Worship

* PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

LBW - GREEN BOOK

WOV - BLUE BOOK

God Gathers Us

Prelude

Lord, I Want to Be A Christian in My Heart

American Spiritual
arr. Tanya Walker
Tanya Walker, piano

He Whose Light Shines O'er Us

arr. Gilbert M. Martin

Words of Welcome/Greeting Our Guests

***Invocation and Salutation**

***Opening Hymn**

How Good, Lord, to Be Here!

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***Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness**

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***Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

***Kyrie**

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***Hymn of Praise**

"Glory to God"

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***Prayer of the Day**

The Children's Sermon

(PRAYER CARDS PICKED UP BY USHERS AT THIS TIME)

Holy Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-12

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ² Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; the Lord has sent me to Bethel." But Elisha said, "As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went down

to Bethel. ³ The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, "Do you know that the Lord is going to take your master from you today?" "Yes, I know," Elisha replied, "so be quiet." ⁴ Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, Elisha; the Lord has sent me to Jericho." And he replied, "As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went to Jericho. ⁵ The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, "Do you know that the Lord is going to take your master from you today?" "Yes, I know," he replied, "so be quiet." ⁶ Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." And he replied, "As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So the two of them walked on. ⁷ Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. ⁸ Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. ⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied. ¹⁰ "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours - otherwise, it will not." ¹¹ As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. ¹² Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

Holy Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:1-7

Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. ² Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ. ⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.

***Holy Gospel:** Mark 9:2-9

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. ³ His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters - one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶ (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) ⁷ Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" ⁸ Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. ⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Sermon

Unveiled Faces

Pastor Tom Brodbeck

***The Apostles' Creed**

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***The Prayer of the Church**

We Respond to God's Grace
Our Response in Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering

High Upon a Mountain

Trilby Jordan
Lloyd Larson
Sanctuary Choir

**Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

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*Prayer of Dedication

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God Feeds Us
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*The Great Thanksgiving

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord*

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*The Words of Institution

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*The Lord's Prayer

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Lamb of God

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Distribution of the Meal and Blessing of the Children

Musical Offering

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus

arr. Tanya Walker
Tanya Walker, piano

*Post-Communion Blessing

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**Canticle*

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*Post-Communion Prayer

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***Closing Hymn**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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***Benediction**

***Dismissal**

P Gathered by God

C Receiving the Lord

P Sent by the Spirit

C Revealing His Love

The Postlude

We Are Marching in the Light of God

arr. Vicki Collinsworth



PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Intercessory Prayers

1/21/18

Terri Lininger

Josephine (friend of Matt Cline)

1/28/18

Ani Asadourian (granddaughter of Mark and Elaine Terrell)

Debi Correll (sister of Donna Stelzer)

Bill Blatchley (relative of Kristi Leeth)

Steve Archbold

2/4/18

Al Evans

Mike Duffy (friend of J.D. Smith)

Tiffany Wright

David Swyers

Prayers of Sympathy

For the friends and family of Joyce Kelly (sister-in-law of Andy Schumacher)

Prayers of Support

For Russians Reaching Russians ministry

For first responders

For marriages and families in crisis

For all seeking employment

For 2018 Grace council and staff

For those suffering from addiction

For Christian faith-based ministries

For our community, country, and our world

For family and friends living in care facilities

For Bishop John Bradosky, the North American Lutheran Church,

and the Southwest Ohio Mission District of the NALC

Our most precious Lord Jesus,

We stand here quietly in this church where we choose to worship you and are in awe of the privilege. You are real and You are here accepting our worship. You are our God and we adore You. You are the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. You existed before time and created everything that exists. We acknowledge that You are the only living God. There are no other gods. Your compassion, mercy, and grace surrounds us always. Thank you for your unfailing love and gift of hope! AMEN

Prayerfully submitted by the Prayer Support Team at Grace

THIS WEEK

Sun., Feb. 11	8:00 a.m.	Worship (S)
TRANSFIGURATION	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
OF OUR LORD	9:15 a.m.	Triad (CR, L)
	10:15 a.m.	Fellowship (FH)
	10:45 a.m.	Worship (S)
	2:30 p.m.	<i>Worship at Springfield Manor</i>
	6:00 p.m.	Women of Grace Valentine event (CC)
	8:00 p.m.	Community group (P)
Mon., Feb. 12	5:30 p.m.	Community ministry (P)
	6:00 p.m.	Dance Lessons (CC)
	7:00 p.m.	Community group (N108)
Tue., Feb. 13	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (P)
	9:30 a.m.	Faith Guild (P)
11:30 a.m. -	1:00 p.m.	Staff meeting - office closed
	2:00 p.m.	Joy Guild (CW102)
	3:00 p.m.	Ring For Fun (S)
	5:15 p.m.	<i>5 - 8 grade Get Air outing</i> (meet in Grace parking lot)
	6:00 p.m.	Executive Committee (CR)
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts (CW102,105?YW102-104)
	7:00 p.m.	Agape Guild (P)
Wed., Feb. 14	12:00 p.m.	Worship (S)
ASH WEDNESDAY	1:30 p.m.	Charity Guild (CW102)
	6:15 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal (MR/S)
	6:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry (L)
	7:00 p.m.	Worship (S)
Thu., Feb. 15	10:00 a.m.	Fuschino small group (NY)
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study (P)
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Support Team (L)
	6:30 p.m.	Endowment Team (CR)
Fri., Feb. 16	1:00 p.m.	Community group (P)
	6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts (CW102/105)
	8:00 p.m.	Community group (CR)
Sat., Feb. 17	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible study (P)
	2:00 p.m.	<i>9 - 12 grade Wittenberg Retreat</i>
	7:00 p.m.	Sweetheart Dessert Dance (CC)
Sun., Feb. 18	8:00 a.m.	Worship (S)
1 LENT	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	9:15 a.m.	Triads (CR, L)
	10:15 a.m.	Fellowship (FH)
	10:45 a.m.	Worship (S)
	8:00 p.m.	Community group (P)

C	Café
CC	Community Center
CR	Conference Room
CW	Children's Wing
FH	Fellowship Hall
K	Kitchen
L	Library
MR	Music Room
N	Narthex
NY	Nursery
P	Parlor
S	Sanctuary
YW	Youth Wing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Email announcements to bulletin@grace-nalc.org by NOON on Tuesdays.)

Today: Join us for these Adult Sunday School classes:

- Life of Christ, facilitated by Pastor Powell (sanctuary)
- Shepherding a Child's Heart, facilitated by Eric and Kristi Leeth (N108).

Adult Sunday School offerings today

will support "Russians Reaching Russians," a ministry focused on evangelizing the nation of Russia. Learn more at www.russiansreachingrussians.com.

This Morning we welcome Tanya Walker as she provides pre-service and communion music for our worship.

This Afternoon Join us for an evening of Crafting, Conversation and Caring today at 6:00 p.m. in our community center. We will be crafting cards and learning to make oils. Our creations will be sent to Clark Memorial Home to brighten their Valentine's Day.

Tomorrow Feb. 12 the Grace book group will meet at noon at Tea Berries on Leffel Lane.

Tomorrow Feb. 12 dance lessons will be held in our Community Center from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday Feb. 14 is Ash Wednesday. Please join us for worship at either 12:00 noon or 7:00 p.m.

Lenten Soup Suppers begin on Thursday, February 22 at 6 p.m. A variety of different soups will be provided each week during the Lenten season. Join us for fellowship and then for the evening's worship service.

St. John's Food Pantry: Grace serves at the food pantry each Wednesday during February. Let's further support that ministry by filling the grocery cart in the fellowship hall with non-perishable items this month.

Ring For Fun on Tuesdays, February 13, 20, 27, 3:00 - 4:00 in the Sanctuary. Experience the opportunity to pick up handbells and handchimes of different sizes with instruction and help. No musical trainings required. Try your hands and Ring For Fun. Please contact Barbara Blackburn or Sign-Up Central.

The Oromo Congregation: Our Ohio Mission Region, along with the NALC (North American Lutheran Church), is partnering with a central Ohio Ethiopian (Oromo) congregation to help secure their first facility. With over two hundred members, this NALC congregation is growing at 20% a year and have outgrown their rented space! Your gift can be one time or a pledge over the coming year. If you make a pledge, please pick up a Pledge Card from Darla Kalifoot in our Grace office. Our council has set our Grace-Goal at \$10,000. This goal can be achieved, or exceeded, by a \$10 contribution from every member of Grace. Checks may be made out to "Grace".



Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Email announcements to bulletin@grace-nalc.org by NOON on Tuesdays.)

How have you served the Lord this week?

As a part of our efforts to provide 10,000 hours of service to area outreach ministries, share how you have served by completing the statement found on Sign-Up Central.

The following Ministries are in need of additional volunteers:

- **Welcome Center** 8:00 a.m. service
- **Parking Assistance** 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services
- **Safety Stewards** 10:15 a.m.
- **Ushers** 8:00 and 10:45 am services
- **Fellowship Hosts**
- **Nursery Attendants** 8:00 and 10:45 a.m. services

If you are interested in helping with any of these Ministries, please use Sign-Up Central to let us know and we will gladly put you in touch with the Team Coordinator.

Service Quilters' Guild is in need of volunteers to cut and sew squares (they will teach). If interested in working with this Guild please sign up in Sign-Up Central.

All Guilds welcome more members, if you are interested in joining a guild and want more information, please contact Donna Stelzer 937-629-0382.

Grace will be serving at the Springfield Soup Kitchen on Mon., Feb. 26. Use Sign-Up Central to indicate your plans to serve, and be sure to indicate if you wish to carpool from the Grace parking lot.

Grace 5th – 8th graders! Please let Matt know if you are IN for the **Get Air** trampoline park, Tuesday night, Feb. 13...meeting at 5:15 in Grace parking lot, and back by 8:30. Friends are welcome!

19 Grace high schoolers have signed up for the "Tiger Retreat", a 24 hour getaway to Wittenberg campus, Feb. 17-18, an event that will include group sessions on the theme Decisions, worship at Weaver Chapel, food, fellowship, & fun.

Thanks to Wittenberg University's Student Ministry Department for hosting us for free!

PreK - 4th grade Grace Families! Our family event at the Vandalia Rec Center (swimming, climbing, playing) is set for Saturday, Feb. 24, from 2-4 p.m.. Keep those commitments coming to Matt!

Scripture Readings Next week - February 18th First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 9:8-17
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

Last Sunday - February 4th

Attendance Records

8:00 a.m. Worship.....	85
Adult Sunday School.....	71
Youth Sunday School.....	37
10:45 am Worship.....	115

Tithes and Offerings

\$19,439.60

SERVING THIS MORNING

Pastor	Daniel M. Powell
Pastor	Tom Brodbeck
Acolytes	Meghan Leeth (8:00), Leah Fraker (10:45)
Lectors	Melanie Huffstettler (8:00), Roger Reed (10:45)
Communion Assts.	Carol Carpenter, Gene Rousculp, JoAnn Stapleton (8:00) Jim Leonard, Mary Veskauf, Chuck Weller (10:45)
Ushers	*Reed Welsh, Steve & Andy Schumacher, Leslie McKinney, Michelle & Tristan Kouse (8:00) *Mike Stelzer, Amy Noyes, Tom & Noah Veskauf, Shawn Nestor (10:45)
Altar Care	Agnes Smoot, Rebecca Stuchell
Sight & Sound	Steve Garrett (8:00), Craig Witker (10:45)
Offering Tellers	Jack & Mary Sommers (8:00), Cathy Noyes, Dan Farrow (10:45)
Church Prep.	Ron Coss
Greeters	Jane Eancheff (8:00), Michael & MaryBeth Stelzer (10:45)
Welcome Center	Jane Eancheff (8:00), Deb O'Neal (10:45)
Safety Stewards	*Jerry Kalifoot, Harry Zernechel (7:30 - 10:00) *John Smoot, John Maxwell (10:00 - 12:30)
Fellowship Hosts	Connie Everhart, Kathy Whited
Parking Attendants	Josh Hanford, Harry Zernechel (7:30 - 9:30) Stan Wilkins, John Maxwell (10:15 - 12:15)
Nursery Attendants	Ginger & Abbie Hennig, Carol Drown (7:45) Carol Drown (9:00) Ann Clayton, Rachel Toney, Carol Drown (10:30)

*designates team leader



GRACE STAFF

Daniel M. Powell, Senior Pastor
Tom Brodbeck, Associate Pastor
John Andrews, Ministry Assistant for Communications
Barbara Blackburn, Director - Sanctuary, Handbell, and Handchime Choirs
Carol Drown, Nursery Attendant
Bev Kaech, Coordinator of Worship Music & Arts, Principal Organist
Darla Kalifoot, Church Administrator
Janet Rice, Director of Lay Ministry
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