

Email Blast for March 2



Transfiguration Sunday

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor

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Hearing God's Call & Responding in Love,
We Share Jesus With All!

FROM PASTOR ED

On the side of the mountain the disciples saw Jesus transfigured before them, catching a glimpse of his heavenly glory. They could not stay on top of the mountain though. Jesus' ministry and his true glory lay down in the valley with the people of God. The disciples would also be transformed. Jesus' words, his death and resurrection, his grace would change them. The disciples would become servants of God and of their neighbors. They would become messengers of the Gospel. Through Jesus' glory they would begin to become the people they were created to be. If we follow Jesus we too will be changed, we will be transformed.

Have a grace-filled week.

God bless you all,
Pastor Ed

OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM:

To join a worship service, please contact the church at 573-374-5267 for assistance.

Welcome to Worship

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect 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 God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.

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Prelude

He Knows My Name

Vanessa Hebrank

Call To Worship

P: Trusting in the Word of life given in Baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God is light

C: In him there is no darkness at all.

P: If we walk in the light as God himself is in the light,

C: we have fellowship with one another.

P: And the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son,

C: cleanses us from all sin.

P: Today we see our Lord Jesus Christ in unveiled glory.

C: A foretaste of the glory of our own resurrection.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: God does not want us to perish, but to come to his life-giving light. Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. Our eyes are clouded and our understanding veiled. Our lives are full of shameful things; we stand in need of light. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and let your light shine upon us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ who died for us and rose again, is God's beloved Son. Listen to him and behold his glory. I declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Sharing of the Peace (We share a sign of peace with one another.)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

ELW # 858, v. 1, 2 & 4

Liturgy *Setting 4*

ELW p. 147

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

Canticle of Praise: This is the feast

ELW p. 149

Prayer of the Day

All: 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.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Ed

Anthem

Deep, Deep Love

Kent Choir

First Reading

Exodus 34:29-35

Old Testament

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99 (congregation reads responsively)

¹ The 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.**

³ Let 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.**

⁵ Proclaim 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,**

⁷ you 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.**

⁹ Proclaim 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

New Testament

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Announcement

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Luke 9:28-43a

New Testament

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day

How Good, Lord, to Be Here!

ELW # 315, v. 1, 2 & 5

Profession 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.

The Prayers

P: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Reception of Offerings *Please fill out the red friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor.*

Offertory

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Kent Handbells

Offering Prayer

P: God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,

C: and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. Amen.

Holy Communion

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Words of Institution

The 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.

Distribution

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our Savior. Wine and grape juice are available. Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing.

Lamb of God

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Communion Hymns

*Let Us Break Bread Together
Beautiful Savior
As the Grains of Wheat*

ELW # 471
ELW # 838
ELW # 465

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Hymn

Jesus Shall Reign

ELW # 434, v. 1, 2 & 5

The Dismissal

P: Hearing God’s call and responding in love,

C: we share **Jesus with all!**

Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Vanessa Hebrank

Fellowship Time

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

WORSHIP LEADERS

- Pastor.....Ed Foster
- Organist/Pianist..... Vanessa Hebrank
- Choir Director Tracy Garrett
- Choir Accompanist..... Tracey Atzeni
- Handbells Director Toni Wagner

- Altar Guild Melba Bangert
- Greeters/Ushers Ruth & Randy Osterbur
- Liturgist..... Tracey Atzeni
- Lector Sally Burke
- Sound & Zoom Technician Sam Foster
- Coffee Fellowship Karole Karls, Jane Kornfeind

COMING THIS WEEK

March 2-9

Today	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15 a.m.	Handbells Rehearsal
	9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	9:15 a.m.	Children's Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (live-streamed)
Monday	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
	9:30 a.m.	Evangelism Committee
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Altar Guild
	10:00 a.m.	WELCA – Crafts/stuffing animals
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	WELCA Meeting
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Evening Bible Study
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Lake Jazz Band Rehearsal
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✠ *Prayer Concerns* ✠

OUR MEMBERS

Karen Thompson
Joe Poretta
Donald Brumm

Marsha Gust
Geri Riley
Stan Field

Jim Gilbert
Gene Page

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Daria
Dave Newton
Tara Boos
Jennifer Blomberg
Elenor Garrison (7 yr. old)
Michelle Becker
Cooper Cupp (6 yr. old)
William Niemann
Kyle Pedersen
John Welsh

Tom Williams
Inge Robbins
Maria Garrick & family
Art McCray
Mary Ann Carter
Brandon Rodewald
Doug Jones
Patrick Parkhurst
Cindy Holm
Stacy Carey

Ryan Dilhman
Trudy Hamilton
Wayne Jackson
Gil Wilde
Tamara McClain
Mike Holmes
Steve Hughes
Marcille Bohling

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Julie (Ziehl) Anderson
Evan Beaupre
Michelle Becker
Jessica Birdsong
Cindy Campbell
Shirley Clark
Evelyn Clements

Chuck Cuthbertson
Ron Ferguson
Stacey Fleck
Al Gann
Ken Gerardy
Carla Glusing
Ruth Goddard & family

Jeanne Hines
Teresa Joslin
Linda Kimberling
Ed Krueger
Blanch Lacroix
Jodi (Ziehl) Redmond
Ron Roberts

Marcia Robbins
Michele Schafer
Dave Shaver

Dianne Steingrubey
Esther Strothmann
Karen Tischnor

Theresa White
Bernie Wiegel
Jerry Williams

REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock
Eric Blomberg
Ben Brammeier
Salathiel (Sal) Caudill
Dylan Craig
Aaron Davis

Tanner Glodt
Kristine Hubbard
Jason Ites
Jason Judge
Adam Kralina
Matt Lee

Jordan Lindeman
Glenn Maddock
Tristan Morgan
Adam Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 2

WELCOME TO KENT MEMORIAL Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our Savior. We invite you to stay for coffee and fellowship (and donuts!) after the service. If you are visiting for the first time or searching for a church home, please include your address and phone number on the Red Friendship Pad and let us know. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor Ed at the end of the service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Don & Joan Wilken in loving memory of their parents.

CARE CORE for March is Kathy Fair, 319-350-2901.

BIBLES FOR CADV CLIENTS CADV would like to provide Bibles to clients who would like them. Pastor Ed and the Social Ministry Committee think that is a great idea, so we are planning to order a case of Bibles for them. We can get an entire case of Bibles for \$70. On Sunday March 9th we will have an offering plate on the table out in the Welcome Area for donations. A dollar or two might make a huge difference in a family's life.

THIS WEEK ~ VOLUNTEER AT COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST Time to volunteer at Community for Christ on Tue. Mar. 4th, Thur. Mar. 6 and Sat. Mar. 8th. Signup sheet is on the infamous sign-up sheet board. This is truly neighbors helping neighbors. Won't you please consider volunteering? Thank you! Questions? Talk to Jim Mellody or Chuck Wanamaker.

THRIVENT DESIGNATION Through Thrivent Choice[®], Thrivent members can contribute to organizations and causes they care about—and influence how Thrivent distributes some of its charitable grant funding through Choice Dollars[®]. Please consider going into your Thrivent account online and designating Kent as that organization. In the last year, these distributions allowed Kent to contribute \$2,500 to Kent Social Ministry, \$2,000 to the SE US Flood/Hurricane victims, and \$2,000 to the CA Wildfire victims. If you have questions about this, please contact Joyce Wanamaker or Kathy Fair.

COUNTY PROPERTY TAX FREEZE If you are 62 years of age or over, are the owner of a homestead in Missouri, and are liable for the payment of real property taxes on such homestead, you may qualify for the freeze. The amount of the taxes will freeze, and not increase, when the taxpayer becomes age 62. Only taxes will be frozen, not assessments or levees. For example, remodeling which expands square footage and results in a 50 percent increase in the assessment will trigger a reassessment of the property taxes. Individuals need to apply annually (prior to June 30) at your County Assessor/Collector office to have their taxes frozen by bringing your ID and proof of property tax payment. If you have questions about this, please contact Al Mohling at (319) 493-8796.

EASTER PAGEANT Easter is April 20 this year and it will be the 55th performance of "He Is Risen!" Cast members of all ages are needed to make this beloved annual event a success. If you want to be in on the fun of sharing the Easter story, see Gail Kruse. NOTE: The sign-up list will go up soon.

ASH WEDNESDAY is March 5. For those who would like imposition of ashes before you go to work, Pastor Ed will be offering “drive-by” ashes from 8am-10am that morning. Worship will be at 6pm.

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP & POTLUCKS Beginning March 12 for 5 Wednesday, we will meet at 6:00 p.m. for worship and begin our exploration of “Jesus: Savior, Servant, Friend.” Join us after the service for one of Kent’s famous potlucks. Please bring a dish or dessert to share.

Wednesday, March 12 —

Potluck host committees: Worship & Music, Budget & Finance

Wednesday, March 19 —

Potluck host committees: Altar Guild, Christian Education

Wednesday, March 26 —

Potluck host committees: Property, Mutual Ministry

Wednesday, April 2 —

Potluck host committees: Evangelism, Audit, Stewardship

Wednesday, April 9 —

Potluck host committee: Long Range Planning, Social Ministry