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The Transfiguration

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Prayer: “Holy Jesus, ev’ry day, Keep us in the narrow way; And, when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last, Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Your glory hide.” Amen. (Hymn #83, v. 4)

The Service of the Word

(The Hymnal, page 38.)

The Hymns: 95 – 97 – 87, v. 3 – 96 – 771.

Organist: Linda Nottling

The Old Testament Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-12 – If the final words of life were “and he saw him no more” (v. 12) this would be depressing. But look what we see here and in the gospel! Although Elijah didn’t die, we know that when we do, we like him will be taken home to heaven. In the meantime – like Elisha – we have work to do – sharing God’s Word of life with dying people.

Psalm 148, page 121.

The Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (sermon text).

The Gospel Reading: Mark 9:2-9 – Before we begin our Lenten journey to Calvary we have one last “epiphany” – our Lord’s transfiguration. “It is good for us” to be here and see this sight, for our Lord’s transfiguration reveals just who He is and why He came.

The Sermon: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 –

The Transfiguration – Take Another Good Look!

I. Thank God for your faith to see!

II. Thank God for what your faith sees!

This Week at St. John’s

Today		Valentine’s Day School store open
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Kindergarten Round-up/Olympics
Tuesday	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation class
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	SonBEAMS
	5:45 p.m.	Ladies’ Choir practice

	3:15 & 7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday (Holy Communion; Jr. Choir sings early; Ladies’ Choir sings late)
	4:15-6:30 p.m.	Soup Supper/ Valentines store open
Thursday	7:45-8:30 a.m.	Scrip sales
Friday		NO School
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30 a.m.	Worship (Gr. 1-2 sing early, host fellowship)
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Fellowship

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Last Week: 144 (73+51+20 – the weather took its toll!) gathered around God’s Word to grow in their faith and praise their Savior. 42 came to Bible class and 18 came to Sunday School. Offerings received:

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget year to date</u>
Needed:	\$7,802	\$249,664
Received:	\$11,472	\$250,695

This includes \$500 for school tuition. We also received \$17 for Winnebago Lutheran Academy.

Please be sure to pick up a Christian Worship – Supplement on your way into church. Our last hymn, #771, is in the Supplement.

Did you notice that this Wednesday is Ash Wednesday? We will begin our Lenten journey to the cross with special Communion services at **3:15** and **7:00** p.m. The theme for this year’s special Wednesday Lenten Vespers is Jesus’ seven words from the cross. May we ALL use these special opportunities to grow closer to Him who gave His life on the cross so that we might live forever with Him in heaven! We will also have a “soup supper” this Wednesday (serving from approximately 4:15-6:30 p.m.). Our Ladies of St. John’s has a menu of chili, etc. Food donations for the chili supper should be at the church by **1:00 p.m.** on Wednesday. The free-will offering will go towards the new sound system for the church.

Our 6-8th Grade Valentine’s Day Store will be open after both services today in the fellowship hall and after the early service on Wednesday.

A regular voter’s meeting will be held next Monday, February 19, at 7:00 p.m. The regular Church Council meeting will be held before that at 6:30 p.m.

Kindergarten Round-up/Open house for the 4 and 5 year old kindergarten will be held tomorrow night (Monday) at 6:00 p.m. We will have a great time enjoying the Nursery Rhyme Olympics! This year’s class is invited, along with anyone interested in learning more about our kindergarten programs. After the Olympics, we’ll have some light refreshments and you’ll have time to ask questions and get more information about St. John’s kindergarten programs. Please enter through the school doors. Children need to be 4 by September 1 to eligible for the 4K program. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Donna Schmitz or Mr. John Schlavensky at 928-3296.

WELS Grade School Honors Band: Five of our WELS area Lutheran high school band programs are hosting the first ever WELS Grade School Honors Band Festival. The festival is being held at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School in Jackson on Saturday, February 24. A closing concert is at 6:30 p.m. and is open to the public. There is no cost for the festival, however, a free will offering will be collected. Thirteen of our over 80 WLA Grade School Band students will be attending this first-time festival. Zach Pausma was selected as one of the students to represent WLA.

Chair Fund: We have now reached \$12,986 of the total cost of \$13,100 for the new tables and chairs in the fellowship hall. If you would like to make a special gift/memorial to help cover the remaining balance, please mark an envelope “chairs” and include your name or envelope number.

WLA News: To keep up on the news at WLA and to access the “WLA Anchor” newsletter, you can go to their website (www.wlavikings.org), click on the “news” tab and then the “publications” tab. There are also a few paper copies of the “Anchor” on the table in the fellowship hall across from the mailboxes if you would like one.

Easter Breakfast: Sisters in Faith will be coordinating the Easter (April 1) breakfast this year. We would like to form a committee of volunteers from the congregation (*not just* Sisters in Faith members) to help plan the breakfast. Right now on the counter in the fellowship hall is a sign-up sheet for volunteers who would like to help organize. Later we’ll be looking for volunteers to help with donations or preparations. We look forward to working with you!

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Luther Preparatory School will present the musical “Beauty and the Beast” on Friday-Sunday, March 9, 10 and 11, at 7:00 p.m. All reserved tickets are \$10.00; bleachers (not reserved), grade school students and seniors (65+) are \$7.00. Tickets are on sale now. For more information please call (920) 261-4352 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or visit www.ticketsource.us/lutherprep.

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