

Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 27, 2022



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Celebrating God's Love

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GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

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.

Prelude

Welcome

***Confession**

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

A: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

L: Most merciful God,

A: we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

***Absolution (Receive God's Forgiveness)**

L: Rejoice in this good news: In Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven... Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

A: Amen.

***Greeting**

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

A: And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us pray, Holy God, mighty and immortal...who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A: Amen.

WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

A Reading from Exodus

34:29-25

Moses' face shone with the reflected glory of God after he received the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.

R: The word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the 2nd letter to the Corinthians

3:12- 4:2

In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.

R: The word of the Lord.

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***Gospel**

Luke 9:28-36

L: The holy gospel according to Luke the 9th chapter.

A: Glory to you, O Lord.

The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

A: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Special Music

*Offering

L: Let us pray... Blessed are you, O God,

A: **Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.**

*Prayers of the People

The response to "God of grace," is "**Hear our prayer.**"

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

A: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

L: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

Sharing the Supper

Each row will be dismissed by an usher, to maintain proper social distancing. Communicants will walk down the center aisle to the rear of the sanctuary where communion will be received. Please remain near the center of the aisle to avoid crowding the ends of pews. Masks must be kept on until standing in front of communion assistant where you will receive bread and wine. Juice and gluten free options are available upon your request. There will be a small trash can to dispose of your cup. Masks are to be returned to proper wearing, covering nose and mouth, prior to returning to your seat via the side aisle. If you need communion brought to you in your pew, please notify an usher. All baptized believers are welcome at God's table.

***Prayer after Communion**

L: We give you thanks, gracious God...strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

A: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***Blessing**

L: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

A: Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

We Are Marching in the Light

ELW 866

Announcements

***Dismissal**

L: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

A: We will! Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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SPECIAL NOTES ABOUT CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Please read through the names of people who have requested prayer for one reason or another. God knows the reason, and we are called to care. We offer care by; praying, picking up the phone to offer a word of encouragement, sending a note or text, and offering help where a need arises. That is Christian Care. Let's show the world what it means to be God's Church!!!

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PRAYER MINISTRY

It's time for prayer! Pastor Kris and Walt are seeking a few people to join them at 8:40AM on Sunday's to pray. We will pray for; those who will attend worship, those who will lead, those who are unable to join us. Asking for God's blessing and presence to shine. If you would like to join us, please contact Pastor Kris for specific details! It's time to talk to God!!!!!!

PRAYER is how we communicate with the God of the universe. Those we hold in our fervent prayers include: Dona Harmon, Gary Harmon, Marge Harrold, Rich Harrold, Shirley Hasenmeier, Donna Morefield, Pat Tomazic, Mathew Ward, Ben Hasenmeier, Sandie Kvasnika, John Lyren, Michael Miller, John Neuman, Dick Schenk, Laura, Paul, Ridley, those at risk for illness, health care workers, first responders, "essential" workers, and the homeless.

All women of Zion and their friends are invited to join in the monthly Bible study. We will meet at the Christian Center on Thursday, March 10th, at 10:30 a.m. We are learning about the "Kingdom of God" in an exciting and encouraging study by Mark Powell from Trinity Seminary. If you would like a copy of the study, please contact Leslie Foxworth at lljean2@aol.com. If you would like to continue in fellowship, we go out to lunch following the meeting.

GENERAL INFORMATION WORSHIP is a time to connect with God and others, say thank you to God for everything we have been given, a time to learn and grow our faith and understanding and be challenged to follow the teachings of Jesus, a time to be in community. Please join us each Sunday at 9:00 am as we come together for worship.

CONGREGATIONAL CARING In an effort to keep our congregation and community safe and well, please be reminded that in this time of flu, colds, COVID and its variants, if you are not feeling well, please be kind to yourself and others and stay home!!! Sunday worship continues to be streamed weekly on Facebook. If you have a special need ie; groceries or prescriptions picked up or would like to be held in prayer please contact the church office. Let's do our best to stay well together!

PASTOR KRIS OFFICE HOURS Pastor Kris welcomes your visits and appointments. To better plan, please email or call her or the office directly to set up a time to meet: Zionhuron@gmail.com or pastorkrisschroeder@gmail.com or by phone at 419- 433-4711. During this time of staff transition, Pastor Kris's scheduled office hours will vary week to week.

OFFICE HOURS Normal office hours are Mon – Thurs from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm when voicemails (419-433-4711) and emails (zionhuron@gmail.com) are addressed. Please visit our website at zionhuron.org for "everything Zion" and our Facebook page for general updates and live streaming of Sunday services

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP will be held at 7:00 PM this Wednesday, February 23, 2022. Imposition of ashes and Holy Communion will be offered as we begin our Lenten journey.

Midweek Lenten Services will begin Wednesday, March 9th. Light meals and fellowship before each service. Sign-Up sheet to volunteer for providing meals is on the bulletin board

Ever consider a book club? We will be reading 'The Last Week' by Borg and Crossan during Lent. Discussion will be during fellowship before each service.

FAMILY CHIMES an intergenerational musical-fellowship led by Mr. Walt continues to practice and have lots of fun! All are welcome to join no matter age or ability. We practice most Sundays after the 9 am service. Any questions, please reach out to Walt: wbaughman53@gmail.com or Missy Gibboney: magibboney@hotmail.com. Our next practice will be after today's service. Dates in March will be as follows: March 6th, 13th, 17th after the 9:00 am service

AS WE VENTURE INTO WINTER, a reminder regarding cancellation of worship and other church events. If we are at Level 3 by the Sheriff's Office, all events, including worship, will be canceled. If we are at Level 2, please check the church voicemail and website for updates. Stay safe this winter!

2022 ENVELOPES ARE IN THE NARTHEX: Please be sure to take yours home, and we ask for your assistance in distributing them to your family and friends! Thank you.

END OF THE YEAR GIVING 2021 Statements can be requested by emailing the office at zionhuron.com or calling 419-433-4711.

CHURCH MASTER CALENDAR We ask that **NO** event, meeting, or announcement be written on the church master calendar without first notifying the office of the date and time. Also, if you host an event, it is your responsibility at all tables, chairs, flip charts, etc. be put away before you leave from your meeting. Thank you for your cooperation.

FLOWER CHART The 2022 Sign-up Flower Chart is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Cindy Carruthers (419-602-7269) will again coordinate this ministry for 2022. Flowers are purchased from Sweet Pea Flower Truck and are \$25.00 per side. Invoices are placed in the cubby marked "Sweet Pea Invoice" in the upper room and can be picked up there. Payments should be mailed directly to Sweet Pea. Cindy will contact you before the flowers are ordered. If the flowers are to celebrate a special occasion or in honor or memory of a loved one, please notify Cindy or the office at 419-433-4711 or zionhuron@gmail.com so it can be listed properly in the bulletin.

SUNDAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS have been given by Sean, Donna, Dillon, Garrett Resley to the glory of God, and in memory of Leslie.

CONTINUOUS COMMUNION We ask everyone to comply with mask-wearing before and after communion. An Usher will dismiss rows to maintain proper social distancing. Individuals will walk down the center aisle to the rear of the sanctuary, where you will receive communion. Remain near the center of the aisle to avoid crowding the ends of pews. Masks must be kept on until standing in front of the communion assistant, where you will receive bread and wine placed in your hand. Juice and gluten-free options are available upon your request. After receiving communion, place the small cup in the

trash can and don your mask, covering your nose and mouth. Mask must be on before returning to your seat via the side aisle. Please notify an usher if you need communion brought to you in your pew.

ADDITIONAL HYMNALS HAVE BEEN PLACED BACK IN THE PEWS Please keep in mind the hymnals were originally spaced out to encourage social distancing between social/family groups. This continues to be one of our mitigation strategies to keep us all safe from COVID-19. Thank you for your understanding

HAVE AN IDEA, but not sure what to do with it? It is encouraged for members of the congregation to help implement programs, missions, and fellowship opportunities. Printed guidelines are available on the back table in Narthex for your reference. Your Member at Large, Paul Nabors or Bev Moyer can help too!

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

HURON HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY is always looking for items to fill their shelves, to provide to those in need. Needed items include canned fruit, boxed cereal, canned ravioli, canned pasta, canned beef stew, Rice-a-Roni, baking mix, pancake mix, body wash, and shampoo. Egg cartons are also currently needed.

SONSHINE PROJECT Needed by March 2, 2022; Packs of toilet paper, hands soap, dish soap, and laundry soap. Place items in the South narthex. We continue to collect items for the residents of our Rye Beach neighborhood.

ACTIVITY BAGS are back for our younger members and visitors. The Activity Bags are located at the entrance of the Sanctuary. Please use a bag during the worship service. We ask that you put all items back into the bag and return to the proper place, so that others may also enjoy. We are looking for 1-2 individuals to assist with the upkeep of the Activity Bags. Minimal time commitment is required. Please reach out to Missy Gibboney at magibboney@hotmail.com or the church office if you are interested or would like more information.

POTATO BAKE TO BENEFIT PRAYER PATH March 12, 2022 from 11:00am-1:00pm Zion Fellowship Hall Luncheon with baked potato, toppings and hot dog \$5.00 donation per meal.

This is a Fund Raiser for the Prayer Path needs. Take out option and pre-sale tickets available Contact Laura Nabors 440-225-4520

Baby Shower for Jesus Finalized: We surpassed the challenge to increase the number of items donated last year. The tally of all the collected items for the Baby Shower for Jesus which will be delivered to Heartbeat of Sandusky are as follows:

1,564 diapers; 4,024 wipes; 15 cans of formula; \$355 monetary donations from the congregation; 7 large & 4 small baby bottles; 2 infant spoon sets; nursing pads/pump/book; 2 afghans & 2 quilts; 8 blankets; 1 crib sheet; 15 sleepers; 1 sleep sac; 13 onesies; 3 shirts; 1 hat; 5 pairs of socks; 3 pacifiers; 6 bottles of lotion; 5 bottles of baby wash; 15 books; 3 toys; 2 decoration sets; 2 umbrella strollers.

As part of the challenge from the Zion Lutheran Church Women, their treasury will match the monetary donations from the congregation up to \$200. Therefore, Heartbeat of Sandusky will receive a total of \$555 from our church. Thank you Zion congregation for your generosity.

Just look at how much this congregation has blessed these children and their mothers:



PRAYER & SPIRITUALITY

Ladies save the date of April 30, for our Spring Gathering to be held at Zion Lutheran, Sandusky from 9am- 1pm. The theme is "Praying with Body and Soul." Theme verse- Deuteronomy 6:5 "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all our might." Stay tuned as more specific information will be coming soon.

"You Are a Light On a Hill" let your light shine at Zion's Prayer gathering March 10th, 2022 at 3:00 P.M. in the sanctuary. There is a prayer box on the prayer table in the narthex by the outside entrance doors. Place any prayer requests/concerns in the box.

HURON COMMUNITY PRAYER PATH & LABYRINTH is open year-round from dawn to dusk. There are three separate prayer paths. The upper path is wooded and is one mile long. The lower path follows a brook, transformation bridge, and hilly wooded terrain provides a serene way to commune with nature. The third path traverses the meadow leading to the labyrinth.

The labyrinth is a meditative path that has one entry that leads you to the center. As you walk, find your own pace, let the world drop away, and turn inward to what you feel and think. In the center, pause, reflect, and be open to the whispers of your heart and God's message to you. Please take time and experience God on the path!

The Prayer Path - HOLY GROUND

The Prayer Path has published a book, ***Holy Ground***, that describes how the Prayer Path and Labyrinth got started, how it came together, the blessings people have received, and lives changed. The books are a fundraiser to help collect money for a replacement tractor and are available for \$15.00 in the narthex or see Shelia Preston. Please spread the word!

March 12, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon Prayer Path workday.

Come share the privilege and honor of serving God on His Holy ground. Lots of fun and fellowship. Come and go as you please. Call Tom Preston if you have any questions. 419-271-5271

Volunteers for the 2/27/2022 and 3/6/2022 9:00 AM services

	Greeter	Reader	Usher	Technology Assistant	Worship Monitor	Communion Bread Server	Communion Wine / Juice Server
Sunday, 2_27_2022 9:00 AM	Kathleen Davis/ Betty Weyer	Jean Lyren	Della Brown	Howard Carruthers	Cindy Carruthers	Forrest Airhart	Mike Amstutz

	Greeter	Reader	Usher	Technology Assistant	Worship Monitor	Communion Bread Server	Communion Wine / Juice Server
Sunday, 3_6_2022 9:00 AM	Leslie Foxworth	Sue Boldman	Betty Wyer/Howard Carruthers	Missy Gibboney	Forrest Airhart	Leo Kaufman	Wendy Kaufman

Weekly Offerings

	February 20, 2022
Contributions received	\$1,686
Budgeted amount needed	\$4,260.00
YTD Budget: \$34,080.00	YTD Actual: \$-13,372.56

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Join us for Sunday Worship at 9:00 am. Worship is also streamed on Zion's Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/zionlutheranchurchhuronohio/>
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 Jennifer Riley, Custodian
 Rick Broz, Maintenance