

# *The Lutheran Church of the Transfiguration*

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## *The Lutheran Church of the Transfiguration*

803-794-3312

Website: [www.TransfigurationLutheran.org](http://www.TransfigurationLutheran.org)

Office Hours: Monday– Thursday 8:00-1:00

The Reverend Alexander H. Twedt  
Rick Knight  
Crystal Poston

*Pastor*  
*Director of Music*  
*Administrative Assistant*

### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

*“Transfiguration is a group of people brought together by love to worship and glorify God through preaching, teaching and studying the Word. We will work for unity among our members by responding to the spiritual and physical needs of our church family, the community and the world. This can be accomplished through the loving grace of God.”*


### **Tithes & Offerings**

(as of February 25, 2024)

Offering Needed to date	\$48,736
Offering Received to date	\$48,033
Difference	(\$703)
<b>2024 Budget</b>	<b>\$338,726</b>
Long Range Fund needed to date	\$3,376
Long Range Fund received to date	\$3,200
<b>Total Long Range Budget</b>	<b>\$21,944</b>

***God will always love you! God will never leave you!***

# March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>3</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Kids Choir 4:45 Confirmation	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 6:00 Jesus Matters	<b>6</b> 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Lenten meal 6:30 Midweek Worship	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 
<b>10</b> 8:30 Exec Committee 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Kids Choir 4:45 Confirmation 6:00 Council	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 6:00 Jesus Matters 7:00 LMM	<b>13</b> 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Lenten meal 6:30 Midweek Worship	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Kids Choir 4:45 Confirmation	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 6:00 Jesus Matters	<b>20</b> 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Lenten meal 6:30 Midweek Worship	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24 Palm Sunday</b> 8:30 Exec Committee 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Egg Hunt 4:45 Confirmation 6:00 Youth	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> No Jesus Matters Service	<b>27</b> No Bible Study	<b>28</b> 6:30 Maundy Thursday	<b>29</b> 6:30 Good Friday	<b>30</b>
<b>31 Happy Easter!</b> 8:00 Easter Breakfast 9:30 Flowering of the Cross 10:00 Worship NO CONFIRMATION						

# Women <sup>of the</sup> ELCA

Thank you for allowing me to serve with this WELCA group! I am very excited about the opportunities throughout the year to fellowship with the ladies of TLC.

WELCA dates to remember:

March 17th, 2024: Saxa Gotha Conference Spring meeting at St. Stephens Lutheran Church, Lexington

May 5th, 2024: WELCA Sunday- The ladies of TLC will fill the choir and assist with worship this Sunday.

May 5th, 2024: Sisters in Christ Social at TLC- This event is a time for fun and fellowship! More details coming soon! Please mark your calendars with these fun events!

Peace, Marrett

## LUTHERAN MEN <sup>IN</sup> MISSION®

Date/Time: March 12, 2024 Tuesday 7:00PM

Devotions: Dave Bowers

Program/Event: Rev, David Coffman, Campus Pastor  
Newberry College - Wolves Pantry

Food Committee: Ken Cousson\*, Michael Lewter,  
Barry Alexander

*Join the kids during the Lenten season...*  
AS WE BUILD GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD

THE ANIMALS OF GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD ARE AMONG SOME OF THE MOST POPULAR GIFTS. YOUR GIFTS TO GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT MINISTRIES OF ELCA WORLD HUNGER, WHICH INCLUDE TRAINING, EDUCATION, RESOURCES (AND MUCH MORE) TO HELP THE COMMUNITY CARE FOR ANIMALS AND CREATE NEW MARKET OPPORTUNITIES LIKE STARTING A SMALL BUSINESS SELLING EGGS, MEAT OR DAIRY PRODUCTS.

FEBRUARY 14 - MARCH 31, THE TLC KIDS WILL BE COLLECTING DONATIONS OF ANY KIND TO BUILD OUR BARNYARD. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING IN YOUR LOOSE CHANGE, DOLLAR BILLS OR TO EVEN WRITE A CHECK. PLEASE TURN IN YOUR DONATIONS AT THE BARN IN THE NARTHEX.

ALL CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO TLC AND NOTED  
KIDS LENTEN PROJECT

*our goal is to raise: \$1,000  
to build our barnyard*

## SAVE THE DATE

TLC CHURCH CLEAN UP DAYS

9:00AM-11:00AM

March 16

May 18

August 10

November to 30

## MARCH YOUTH MEETING

All TLC Youth

(6th grade and up) are invited to join us in the fellowship hall on Sunday March 24th at 6:00pm  
Contact Rebekah Sturkie for more details.



If you are interested in being part of the Altar Guild Ministry at TLC, please contact Terri Alexander (803-315-5201) or Pastor for more information.



**First Communion Class**

**Sunday, March 17th 3:00-4:00**

For all 5th graders and above and for any younger child who has expressed an interest in communion and whose parent desires that their child partake in the Sacrament.

## TLC's Youth &



Easter Choir Practices will be held immediately following worship on March 3rd, 10th & 17th

## Adults Night Out

Social Ministry invites you to Adults Night Out at 6:00pm on Monday March 11th at Ocean View. No sign up required and we hope you can join us for a fun and relaxing evening

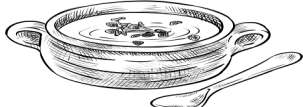
## Lenten Worship Opportunities



**EVERY WEDNESDAY DURING LENT FROM 6:30-7:00 JOIN US AS WE LEARN ABOUT LENT THROUGH THE EYES OF A KID!**

**FEBRUARY 21: WHAT ARE THE ASHES FOR?**  
**FEBRUARY 28: WHY ARE PALMS IMPORTANT?**  
**MARCH 6: WHAT HAPPENED TO JESUS DURING LENT?**  
**MARCH 13: WHAT HAPPENED DURING HOLY WEEK?**  
**MARCH 20: WHAT WAS THE LAST SUPPER?**

**PLEASE LET LAUREN MCCLURE OR HELEN SMITH KNOW IF YOUR CHILD IS ABLE TO JOIN US!**



*Lenten Meals*  
**WEDNESDAY FROM 5:30-6:15**

**FEBRUARY 21: BROCCOLI AND CHEESE SOUP**  
**FEBRUARY 28: POTATO SOUP**  
**MARCH 6: VEGETABLE**  
**MARCH 13: POTATO CORN CHOWDER**  
**MARCH 20: MINESTRONE SOUP**

JOIN US EACH WEEK FOR SOUP AND SANDWICHES.  
 ALL OFFERINGS WILL GO TOWARDS THE  
 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: BUILDING GOD'S  
 GLOBAL BARNYARD PROJECT.



**Easter Egg Hunt and Church Picnic**  
**Sunday March 24th immediately following worship**  
**All Are Invited!**

**2024 Mid-Week Lenten Sermon Series**  
 Wednesday Evening at 6:30 pm

Please join us for worship and a sermon series on lesser known men in the Old Testament. You are invited to read the below chapters associated with each man prior to each mid-week worship service.

March 6 <sup>th</sup>	Samson	Judges 13-16
March 13 <sup>th</sup>	Samuel	1 Samuel 3, 7-10, 16
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Saul	1 Samuel 9-15, 16, 24, 26, 28, 31

## Holy Week Worship Opportunities




**Holy Week**

Mar 24	Palm Sunday	10:00 am
Mar 28	Maundy Thursday Service	6:30 pm
Mar 29	Good Friday Service	6:30 pm



Mar 31	Breakfast	8:00 am
	Flowering of the Cross	9:30 am
	Easter Worship Service	10:00 am



***Easter Lilies***    **\$15.00 each**    **Order Deadline Sunday, March 10th**

Honor / Memory \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please Circle)  
 Given By \_\_\_\_\_

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 (Please Circle)  
 Given By \_\_\_\_\_

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 Given By \_\_\_\_\_

(A) Acolyte	(C) Crucifer	(L) Lay Assistant	(P) Projection	Flowers
<b>March 3</b>	<b>Third Sunday in Lent</b>			
Tyler Kyzer (A)	Charli Dawkins (C)	Andrew Peters (L)	Lauren Rawls (P)	C. Sturkie, T. Douglas
<b>March 10</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday in Lent</b>			
Sadie Bonnette (A)	Emma Sturkie (C)	Stephanie Sturkie (L)	Christy Peters (P)	D. Wiles, Available
<b>March 17</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Lent</b>			
Emmarie Cunningham (A)	Jack Cunningham (C)	Frances Skaggs (L)	Vicki Lewter (P)	P. Shuler, K. Cousson
<b>March 24</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>			
Blake Poston (A)	Bailey Poston (C)	Crystal Poston (L)	Scott Sturkie (P)	T. Douglas, B. Redmon
<b>March 28</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>			
Anderson Sturkie (A)	Jackson Wood (C)	Terri Alexander (L)	Lauren McClure (P)	
<b>March 29</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>			
Emma Sturkie (A)	Bradlynn Sturkie (A)		Susie Bonnette (P)	
<b>March 31</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>			
Blakely Bonnette (A)	Bradlynn Sturkie (C)	Scott Sturkie (L)	Micky Sturkie (P)	D. Gunter, S. Bonnette
<i>Acolytes and Crucifers are reminded to be robed at least 15 minutes before worship. If you cannot serve on the date you are scheduled, please help us to find a replacement from the list and then notify the church office: of- fice@TransfigurationLutheran.org or 803-794-3312</i>				<i>Altar Flower Vases are \$25 each and checks can be placed in the offering stands in the Sanctuary.</i>

**C E L E B R A T E !**

*prayer*

### March Birthdays

- 4 Daryl Johnson
- 5 Ginny Sweezy, Lauren Skeens
- 6 Kathy Burr, Margaret Coughlin, Amy Dillon, Audrey Stuck
- 7 Steve Chapman, Heath Summer
- 8 Lorrie DuBose, Donna Wiles
- 9 Ronnie Davis, Micky Sturkie
- 11 Mollie Taylor, Allison Brumfield
- 12 Tiffany Aull
- 13 Serenity McWhorter
- 14 David Norris
- 15 Melanie Burnett
- 16 Nicholas Stack, Craig Aull
- 17 Brittany Mishoe, Bobby Taylor, Jeanne Wigginton
- 19 Rick Coward, Patrick DeCarpio
- 21 Katherine Burgess, Buffie Burr, Bunny Gable
- 22 Andrea Erd, Shawn McWhorter, Jerry Douglas
- 23 Charles Bowden
- 25 Matt Shuler
- 26 Jenna DuBose, Alvin Williams
- 27 Norma Johnson

### March Anniversaries

- 6 Micky & Stephanie Sturkie
- 7 Randy & Lynn Summer
- 16 Stacy & Linda Shuler
- 17 Wayne & Carol Sturkie
- 27 Steve & Diane Bozard
- 30 Steve & Lorrie DuBose

### Members

- |                 |                |                  |
|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Barry Alexander | Cynthia Amick  | Marty Barwick    |
| Sheron Bowers   | Doris Davis    | Ronnie Davis     |
| Tammy Douglas   | Adrid Epting   | JoAnn Funderburk |
| Bunny Gable     | Terri Kyzer    | Doris Martin     |
| Sam Matthews    | Lib Monts      | Eddie Norris     |
| Judy Norris     | John Oswald    | Shirley Oswald   |
| Nancy Peters    | Ginger price   | Phil Price       |
| Janice Shealy   | Barbara Smith  | Richard Stewart  |
| Joye Tate       | Lavonia Walker | Wayne Sturkie    |

### TLC Family In Extended Care & Assist Living

- Mary Harmon (*Magnolia Manor, Rm 212*)
- Lib Monts (*Jenni-Lynn, Room 18*)
- Madalyn Dybvik (*Jenni-Lynn, Room 35*)

### Friends of TLC

- Lisa Holt (*friend of Lisa Harper*)
- Wesley & Nancy Harper (*friends of Lisa Harper*)
- Ken McClendon (*friend of Lisa Harper*)
- Stanley Goodwin (*cousin of Tammy Douglas*)
- Rebekah Tinman (*mother of Lisa Harper & Tammy Douglas*)
- Nancy Tinman (*aunt of Lisa Harper & Tammy Douglas*)
- Albert Pasquino, Jr. (*brother of Helen Smith*)
- Brenda Safrit (*friend of Frances Skaggs*)
- Barbara Twedt (*mother of Pastor Alex*)
- Sha'Derria Wilbourn (*friend of Arlene McWhorter*)
- Lise Maddox (*friend of Lisa Harper*)
- Mary Whitlock Johnson (*friend of Kathy Cousson*)
- Duane French (*friend of Ken Cousson*)
- Bellamy Clarke Skrocki (*great grand of Susie & Larry Bonnette*)
- Dan & Becky McGlohorn (*friend of Donna Wiles*)
- John Hoogstraten (*son in law of Bill & Sue Yates*)
- Charity Hooker (*friend of Arlene McWhorter*)
- Lucie and Lily Evans (*granddaughter and great-grand daughter of Donny and Lynne Dillon*)
- Katie Feaster (*friend of Marty Rawls*)
- Keller Harmon (*uncle of Ginger, Nannette, & Michelle*)
- Lee Sweem (*son in law of Terri & Barry Alexander*)
- Chip Stewart (*friend of Brenda & Rick Redmon*)
- Daniel Jacobs (*friend of Helen Smith*)
- Jack Gassaway (*son of Frankie and Dempsey Gassaway*)
- Lou Harris (*father of Sasha Frost*)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
Thank you all for reaching out to John and I during my recovery. All of the food, get well cards, text, calls, visits and especially your healing prayers have been a great part of my healing. A big thank you to Pastor Alex for the hospital visits, calls and blessing John and I with communion. All of your acts of concern and kindness is helping my recovery go very well. We are looking forward to being back to worshipping with everyone soon. Much love to you all!  
Sincerely, Doris & John Brumfield

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## Loving God is an Act of Faith, and Faith is an Act of God

<sup>16</sup>*So it (God's election) depends not on human will or exertion, but on God who shows mercy (Romans 9:16).*

<sup>3</sup>*For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned (Romans 12:3).*

<sup>1</sup>*Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.*

<sup>4</sup>*Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses (1 Corinthians 12:1-11).*

<sup>29</sup>*For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well (Philippians 1:29).*

Reason separates humans from all other creatures. God gives humanity the gift of reason, so people are able to understand the concept of God and then communicate this concept to others through complex means like the written word. However, reason alone is unable to understand and communicate the concept of God to others in faith.

To make the truth of God known and to have people believe in the reality of God's love for them in Jesus, God gives the spiritual gift of faith. The measure of faith we have is assigned by God through the work of the Spirit, so it is God who graciously grants us the privilege of believing in Christ where and when God chooses. Faith is therefore always God's work and never our work (See Matthew 11:27; John 5:21; 6:27-29; 6:44; 6:65; 15:16; 2 Corinthians 4:3-4; Ephesians 1:3-10). As a result, our free will never chooses Jesus. Instead, our faith confirms the saving power and effects of God's grace choosing us which humbles us and reminds us that we cannot save ourselves through our own free will or exertion.

Our Church teaches: "All men have a free will, for all have a natural, innate understanding and reason. However, this does not enable them to act in matters pertaining to God such as loving God" (The Augsburg Confession, Article XVIII). Loving God is an act of faith, and faith is an act of God. Reason is only able to comprehend and communicate the concept of God. Faith confesses love for God in gratitude for Jesus and communicates this love to others to make God known. This is the Lord's doing. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Your friend in Christ,

*Pastor*