The Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 25, 2024

Ps. 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Ps. 25:6 INTROIT

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your | steadfast love,*

for they have been | from of old.

You who fear the Lord, trust | in the Lord!*

He is their help | and their shield.

The Lord has remembered us; he will | bless us;*

he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of | Aaron;

he will bless those who | fear the Lord,*

both the small | and the great.

We will | bless the Lord*

from this time forth and forevermore. | Praise the Lord!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your | steadfast love,* for they have been | from of old.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

GRADUAL Heb. 12:2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,*

the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame.*

and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

DAILY READINGS

February 25: Gen. 16:1-9, 15-17:22; Mark 6:1-13; 26: Gen. 18:1-15; Mark 6:14–34; 27: Gen. 21:1–21; Mark 6:35–56; 28: Gen. 22:1–19; Mark 7:1–23; 29: Gen. 24:1 1–31; Mark 7:24–37; March 1: Gen. 24:32–52, 61–67; Mark 8:1–21; 2: Gen. 27:1–29; Mark 8:22–38.

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Old Testament Reading: Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, 4"Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. 5No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."...

¹⁵And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Epistle: Romans 5:1–11

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—8but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

| Holy Gospel: Mark 8:27–38

²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. ³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." ³⁴And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his life? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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Announcements

Calendar for the week of February 25

Welcome to New Hope Lutheran Church!

Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) While all are encouraged to attend any of our services, please understand that we cannot offer the Lord's Supper to all who come. We believe Christ's word in saying that the bread is His true body and the wine is His true blood. We also take scripture seriously in its warning against eating and drinking of these holy elements in an unworthy manner. Lastly, communing at the altar is a solemn expression of agreement with the faith as taught from that altar. For these reasons, we ask that if you are visiting and would like to commune, please consider our belief and speak personally with the pastor or an elder before the service. Those not receiving communion, including children, are encouraged to come to the altar, cross their arms over their chest, and receive the Lord's blessing.

Good morning, everyone, and welcome to worship at New Hope Lutheran Church today! A special welcome to our visitors! Please sign the guest book in the entrance to the church, and we hope you will join us for worship again soon. New Hope is a member congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. We have worship services at two sites, one in Granville (9:00 a.m.) and the other on Sharon Valley Road in Newark (10:45 a.m.).

Welcome to the Lord's house to hear his Word and worship him. It is important to show him our best respect through our words and actions. The organist/pianist's Prelude is a call to worship. At the beginning of the Prelude, please take your seat, quiet your heart, and take a moment for silent prayer. The children of the congregation should always be with their parents or in the care of Sunday School teachers. A cry room/nursery is available if your child needs to be taken out of the worship service. During communion, please note that the middle of the tray has non-alcoholic wine for people who wish to take communion, but do not want alcohol.

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Sunday	8 a.m. 9 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Bible Class (Granville) Worship Service w/ communion (Granville) Bible Class & Sunday School (Newark) Worship Service w/ communion (Newark)
Monday	1-4 p.m.	Hopes Door Hours
Tuesday	1-4 p.m.	Hopes Door Hours
Wednesday	1-4 p.m. 4 p.m. 7 p.m.	Hopes Door Hours Lenten Service (Granville) Lenten Service (Newark)
Thursday	9:30 a.m. 1-4 p.m. 4:30 p.m.	Thursday Bible Study Hopes Door Hours Women's Bible Study
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	8 a.m. 9 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Bible Class (Granville) Worship Service w/ communion (Granville) Bible Class & Sunday School (Newark) Worship Service w/ communion (Newark) Confirmation Class (Newark)

Building Usage This Week

Mon., Wed. & Fri. - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. - Granville Chapel Office (Granville) Sat. – 8:00 p.m. - AA (Newark)

Sun.—12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Covenant Community Church (Newark)

Prayer Corner

Please use this information for your personal devotions and prayers this coming week.

For those whom New Hope Lutheran Church is reaching out to, that Christ's love will be shared and proclaimed, and that his kingdom will grow.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Bradley Porter in recovery, Karen Downing.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Mark Larison, Alex Libertini, Annie Tracey, and Viki Hall, celebrating birthdays this week; Steve and Hillary Prestridge (30 years), celebrating their wedding anniversary.



New Hope Lutheran Church Serving Licking County

Granville Church

309 West Broadway Granville, OH 43023 Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Newark Church

1137 Sharon Valley Road Newark, OH 43055 Sunday 10:45 a.m.

Hopes Door

27 N. 4th Street Newark, Ohio 43055

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Preaching - Rev. Mark Hartsough Liturgy - Pastor Terry Worst Music – Mr. Kevin Gault