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FROM THE



PASTOR

“Only Jesus”

Sermon titles are dangerous things. I think the most appropriate way to give a sermon a title is to first finish the sermon and then give it a title. Doing so in reverse forces a theme and a message that may not be where one is being led by a passage of scripture.

I tell you that as one who is guilty of the latter – giving a sermon a title prior to the majority of the preparation being completed. For that reason, I find myself inclined to first look for a title within a passage itself. Perhaps not surprisingly, quite often that works. The words that are found in the Bible are frequently the best source of sermon titles.

That’s what we’ll do this Sunday. This is Transfiguration Sunday – one of the most unusual observances on the entire church calendar. It’s always observed on the Sunday prior to Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Until a few years ago, it was pretty safe to say that the only place one would ever hear the word “transfiguration” was in church. That was prior to Harry Potter, though, and the word as well as a fairly accurate understanding from a biblical standpoint is something we find in that make-believe world.

This Sunday, let’s use words that we find in Mark’s account of the Transfiguration for our sermon title. Read Mark 9:2-10 where the three disciples accompanying Jesus at this event are left, at the end, seeing “Only Jesus.”

Blessings,
Dennis

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

Assembly Night



Due to Valentine’s Day, Assembly Night has been moved to Wednesday, February 21st. Please be sure to reserve your spot on the reservation form located in the Narthex if you plan on attending and eating at 6 p.m.. Thank you!



CHURCH DIRECTORIES

2018 directories will be available on Sunday, February 18th. Be sure to see Mark Nicholson or Mel Ellsperman that day to get your copy.



EPC T-SHIRTS FOR SALE!

What a great way to support your church...wear one of these great t’s! If you would like a t-shirt the cost is \$15 each. T’s are located in the Narthex, see Donna or Trey to get yours. All proceeds benefit the Community & World Missions Committee.

Thank you for your support!



Prayers & Concerns

Please pray for the following: Roland Small & family, Janet, Bob Gudgel, Austin Smith, Marian Bruggenschmidt, Tracey Manis, Connie Nichols, Pam, Marilois Barker, Donna Davis, Chris Hoefling’s friends & family, Carol Palmer & Marilyn Ellsperman. If you have a prayer request, please contact Leslie Webb at epcprayers@gmail.com or contact the Church Office.



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M - Th: 8:30 –4:00 P.M.
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Sunday, February 11, 2018

8:00 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST
Donna Cooke

USHER
Chris Kuhs

10:30 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST
Donna Cooke

HEAD USHER
Mel Ellsperman

USHERS & GREETERS
TBA

Pat, Jayne & Tracey Manis

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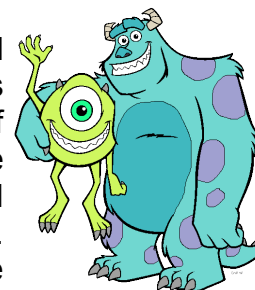


A BIG THANK YOU !
A huge thank you goes out to all of the people who came to the youth's movie night fundraiser to help support this summer's mission trip. We raised over \$200 which far exceeded all of our expectations. This has already greatly reduced the cost for our youth who are planning on attending the trip to Pittsburgh this summer. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated by all in the youth group and we look forward to putting together more fun events for our church family!

Office hours will be held this Thursday from 4:30 until 7:00. **Just a reminder to the youth attending** we will have drinks and snacks available for purchase during this time. **All proceeds will go to subsidize the cost of the mission trip.**



Due to a couple of technical errors and time constraints our Youth Group lesson of Monsters Inc. and the Bible scheduled for last week will be done this week instead. We will be taking a look at the relationship between a couple of the characters and using this to learn how perfect love can conquer perfect fear. This will of course be followed by time for fun and fellowship. 6:00-8:00 p.m.



See you in The Place,
Trey



The Parlor Book Club

Join the Parlor Book Club on Wednesday, February 21, at noon to discuss The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows.

Everyone is invited!

The Tuesday Book Club

Join the Tuesday Book Club at Western Ribeye on Tuesday, February 27, where we will discuss The Woman in the Window by A.J. Finn. Everyone is invited!



Sign up for Church Camp
Gemini Camp will be June 10 - 15 this year. It is open to kids entering 4th grade thru 12th grade. Camp packets should go out this month. If you are interested in attending

or volunteering, please see Sabrina Holden for info. Thank you!

EPW NOTES



Are you reorganizing and de-cluttering in 2018? Remember our EPW rummage welcomes your clean, gently used items. Bring items to the church basement for sorting and pricing; we'll make arrangements for large item pick-up or delivery the week prior to the sale. Watch the *Messenger* for dates when we'll be sorting and pricing and your chance to help, or contact Marlene Huffaker with questions. Your donations support our mission projects. Reminder: no t.v.'s, or electronics of any kind will be accepted.



Christian Education

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Summer in Psalms Reading Schedule

Psalm 1:2 Instead, his delight is in the LORD's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night.

February 5-Psalm 33

February 6-Psalm 34

February 7-Psalm 35

February 8-Psalm 36

February 9-Psalm 37

February 10-Psalm 38

February 11-Psalm 39

No pressure! Just catch up as you are able to. Keep on keeping on!



Memory Contest to begin

FEBRUARY 18, 2018

Please let us know if you need a book for the memory contest. We know many people save them from year to year, but we are happy to give you a new book if you need one. Patti Garcia, Gordon Wiley, Suzette Fritz and Cheryl Ison are our dedicated listeners this year! When you are ready to recite, just let them know! Let's make it a great year.

Erin's Office Hours Adjustment this week

Tuesday 8:30am-12:30pm

Thursday 8:30am-10:30am—workshop in the afternoon

Sunday School—Room 101

Jim and Diane VanCleave's class has been studying the stories of Moses for the last few weeks. Come join this great group for lively discussions and Jim's weekly Power Point presentations!



Bible Verses about Love

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Colossians 3:12-14

Do everything in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 14:34-35

A friend loves at all times...
Proverbs 17:17

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

