

February 11, 2024  
Transfiguration Sunday

**Order of Worship**

Opening Music Nancy Plote, Organist

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Jeremiah

Prelude Music

Lighting of the Altar Candles Acolyte(s)

Call to Worship /Opening Prayer Liturgist

**All:** Upon a high mountain, O God of majestic glory, you revealed Jesus in the mystery of his transfiguration as your Son, the Beloved, to whom we must listen. By the word of his gospel shining forever as a light in the shadows, give us hope in the midst of suffering, and faith to perceive, even in the passion and the cross, the glory of the risen Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. **Amen.** *Adapted from Opening Prayers*

\*Opening Hymn **“Majesty, Worship His Majesty”** UMH#176

Call to Confession Liturgist

Liturgist: Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.

**ALL:** **We are yours, Lord, though we fight for control. Take our lives; make us yours.**

Liturgist: Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

**ALL:** **We are yours, Lord, though our busyness gets in the way. Take our days; make them yours.**

Liturgist: Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

**ALL:** **We are yours, Lord, though we are not always in service. Take our hands; make them yours.**

Liturgist: Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

**ALL:** **We are yours, Lord, even though our feet don't always move with your Spirit. Take our feet; make them yours. Amen.** *Written by Ciona D. Rouse*

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Assurance



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**On the table in the Narthex** are copies of the School Supply list for Malta Elementary School kids, copies of the Midwest Mission “Top Needs” Supply list, January/February Upper Rooms, and February Newsletter.

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**“CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND”** If you wish to contribute to the Capital Improvement Fund, please mark your check accordingly and send your donations to Nancy Plote, 411 S. Malta Rd, Malta, IL 60150

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**SALVATION ARMY FOOD PANTRY** **SPECIAL NEED: TOILET PAPER** You are welcome to bring Non-Perishable food anytime throughout the year for the Salvation Army Food Pantry. Place it in the box in the narthex marked “FOOD PANTRY”. Salvation Army appreciates all you give.

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**HELP MIDWEST MISSION DISTRIBUTION CENTER / URGENT NEEDS!**

Liquid Laundry Detergent 32-64 oz. - Colored Pencil - 12 Pack - Liquid Household Cleaner 16-40 Oz. - Scissors - Student Size - Liquid Dish Soap 14-32 Oz. - Bleached Lumber to make desks - Blankets – Can be gently used - Rulers 12” long with metric - Toothpaste – 2.5 oz. or larger.

The Midwest Mission Distribution Center will also accept any MMDC Kits, treadle sewing machines, gently used tools, new or slightly used medical supplies and equipment.

They will also accept a financial contribution. Send checks to Midwest Mission Distribution Center at 1001 Mission Drive, Pawnee, IL 62558. Check out their web page: [umcnic.org/2022MissionChallenge](http://umcnic.org/2022MissionChallenge)

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**HELPING OUR KIDS at Malta Elementary School / Special needs: Children’s Underwear and Socks**

The school supplies needed are: boxes of crayons with 24 colors, glue sticks, boxes of #2 pencils, boxes of Kleenex, 3 ring binders, plastic school folders, black dry erase markers, scissors (for younger and older children), and boxes of regular colored markers (I believe they come in boxes of 8 colors). Also, a donation of a new stocking hat, pair of gloves, or mittens would be wonderful (hand- made mittens and hats are also okay), as long as they are new.

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**NEW SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE TIME SIGN-UP SHEET**

We are now doing a Sign-Up Coffee Time at 10:30 before church. There is a sign-up sheet on a clipboard in the Fellowship Hall. We are asking those who participate in the Sunday morning Coffee Time to sign up in advance to take turns making the coffee, getting out the cups, and

bringing a simple treat (such as a box of donut holes or cookies). PLEASE KEEP IT SIMPLE!!  
 If no one signs up, no treats! Whoever arrives first can make a pot of coffee.

**Lenten Worship Services to Easter:**

February 14 **Joint Ash Wednesday** Worship Service at **Grace UMC**. 7:00 p.m.  
 March 24 Regular **Palm Sunday** Worship at **MALTA UMC** 11:00 a.m.  
 with Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.  
 March 28 **Joint Maundy Thursday** Worship at **Grace UMC** 7:00 p.m.  
 March 29 **Joint Good Friday** Worship Service at **MALTA UMC** 7:00 P.M.  
 March 31 Regular **EASTER** Worship Service at **Malta UMC** 11:00 a.m.  
 with Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**  
**PRAIRIE SOUTH**  
**SPRING 2024 - LAY ACADEMY**  
 Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>  
 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>  
 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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**2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
 Sunday, June 16 -  
 Tuesday, June 18

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**More Information to Come!**



01	Wilbur Watson
02	Jay Hunt
03	Madison Hunt
04	Amy Spychal
05	Ken Slade
07	Evelyn Luoma (107 Yrs. old)
10	Rachel Hill, Marilyn Berg
16	Owen Fucilla
24	Sue Augustine
27	Jeanette Gommel

**Transfiguration Sunday** is a Christian feast day that commemorates the event when Jesus was transformed into a dazzling brightness on a holy mountain<sup>12</sup>. It is a manifestation of God's glory and divinity in Christ<sup>2</sup>. It is the final Sunday following Epiphany, and before Lent, a season of preparation for Easter<sup>13</sup>. The story of the Transfiguration is told in all three of the synoptic gospels, and it involves Jesus' disciples Peter, James, and John<sup>1</sup>.

**PRAIRIE SOUTH DISTRICT**  
**LEADERSHIP TRAINING**  
**RESCHEDULED TO:**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 16**