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DAILY CATECHESIS ON THE WAY

TO AND FROM EMMAUS WITH JESUS

THE WEEK OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

"They were continually devoting themselves to the Apostolic Doctrine and to the Communion, to the Breaking of the Bread, and to the Prayers." (Acts of the Apostles 2:42)

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This Week in the Church Year

In both the pattern of the Holy Gospels and in the progression of the Church Year, the Transfiguration of our Lord is a major turning point toward His Cross and Passion. Moses and Elijah are there present as witnesses to the fulfillment of all the Law and the Prophets in the Person of Jesus Christ, as the Voice of the Father from heaven testifies. That fulfillment will come with His innocent suffering and death, whereby the Glory of God is most fully manifested. The Transfiguration of Jesus (and of His saints!) is a picture of the Resurrection of the body and the life everlasting, achieved by His Cross.

Emphasis: The Glory of God Is Manifested in the Body of Jesus

The Order of Daily Catechesis in Word and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of daily catechesis as you and your family are able. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

[The Opening Versicles and Psalmody]:

O Lord, open my lips. And my mouth will declare Your praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me. Make haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

<u>Psalm 2</u> (and/or one or more of the appointed daily Psalms listed below)

Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	103, 150	5, 145	42, 146	5, 147:1–12	27, 147:13–21	22, 148	43, 149
Evening	117, 139	82, 29	102, 133	27, 51	126, 102	105, 130	31, 143

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. The Verse: Psalm 45:2

You are the fairest of men; grace flows from Your lips, because God has blessed You forever.

Readings for the Week of the Transfiguration of Our Lord:

Sunday, 26 February 2017 (The Transfiguration of Our Lord)

Job 21:1–21; St. John 8:39–59

Monday, 27 February 2017

Job 30:16-31; St. John 9:1-23

Shrove Tuesday, 28 February 2017

Job 31:1-12, 33-40; St. John 9:24-41

Ash Wednesday, 1 March 2017

Genesis 1:1–19; St. Mark 1:1–13

(Joel 2:12–19; 2 Corinthians 5:20b–6:10; St. Matthew 6:1–21)

Thursday, 2 March 2017

Genesis 1:20-2:3; St. Mark 1:14-28

Friday, 3 March 2017

Genesis 2:4-25; St. Mark 1:29-45

Saturday, 4 March 2017

Genesis 3:1–24; St. Mark 2:1–17

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

The Catechism: The Table of Duties

TO BISHOPS, PASTORS, AND PREACHERS

"A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach; not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous; one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence." (1 Timothy 3:2-4)

"He must not be a novice, lest being puffed up with pride he fall into the same condemnation as the devil." (1 Timothy 3:6)

"He must hold fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able, by sound doctrine, both to exhort and convict those who contradict." (*Titus 1:9*)

WHAT THE HEARERS OWE THEIR PASTORS

"The Lord has commanded that those who preach the Gospel should live from the Gospel." (1 Corinthians 9:14)

"Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches. Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap." (*Galatians* 6:6–7)

"Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine. For the Scripture says, 'You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain,' and, 'The laborer is worthy of his wages." (1 Timothy 5:17-18)

The Hymns of the Week	LSB #413 LSB #615
"O WONDROUS TYPE! O VISION FAIR"	LSB #413
"WHEN IN THE HOUR OF DEEPEST NEED"	LSB #615

[Daily Prayer: Invocation, Apostles' Creed, Kyrie Eleison, and the Our Father]:

In the Name 🖶 of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and # the life everlasting. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon 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 & ever. Amen.

[The Collects of the Week, Intercessions for each day of the week, and Special Petitions]:

Collect for the Transfiguration of Our Lord (for Sunday through Shrove Tuesday):

O God, in the glorious Transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King of His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (*Amen*)

Collect for Ash Wednesday (and for the remainder of the week):

Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that, lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (*Amen*)

In our Prayers this Week at Emmaus:

Expectant mothers among our extended family & friends, including Anna Hart, Emma Casey, Kristina Odem, Melanie Sorenson, Michele Larson, Mackenzie Larson, and Sarah Osbun, together with their unborn children and families;

Pr. Stuckwisch and the other Vice Presidents of our Indiana District, as they are meeting in Fort Wayne on Thursday and Friday of this week; and

Deaconess Sandra Rhein, as she is traveling to Ethiopia this Friday, and as she serves the church there for a copule weeks in her work on the hymnal project.

[The Daily Morning or Evening Prayer, the Benedicamus, and the Benediction]:

(*Morning*): We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept us this night from all harm and danger; and we pray that You would keep us this day also from sin and every evil, that all our doings and life may please You; for into Your hands we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls and all things; let Your holy Angel be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen. (Evening): We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept us this day from all harm and danger; and we pray that You would forgive us all our sins, wherever we have done wrong, and graciously keep us this night; for into Your hands we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls and all things; let Your holy Angel be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit \clubsuit be with us all.

Amen.

Then, if it is in the morning, go joyfully to your work, according to your vocations in life, in faith toward God and in love toward your neighbor; or, if it is at the close of the day, go to sleep at once and in good cheer.

Let each his lesson learn with care, and all the household well shall fare.

Hymns:

<i>LSB</i> #454	Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle
LSB #505	Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay
<i>LSB</i> #544	O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High
LSB #561	The Tree of Life with Every Good
<i>LSB</i> #572	In the Shattered Bliss of Eden
<i>LSB</i> #656	A Mighty Fortress in Our God
LSB #716	I Walk in Danger All the Way

Genesis 3:1–21: *The Fall into Sin, when Adam & Eve disobey the Word of God, is met with the first promise of the Gospel: that the Seed of the Woman would bruise the head of the serpent, having His own heel bruised in the process.*

Romans 5:12–19: As sin entered the world through one man, Adam, and death spread to all men on account of sin, so does the forgiveness of sin and the gracious gift of righteousness come by way of one Man, the New Adam, Jesus Christ. By His death, sin and death are undone, and righteousness reigns.

St. Matthew 4:1–11: As our Champion against sin, death, the devil and hell, the Son of God humbles Himself as a faithful and obedient servant of God, and lives according to His Word (even unto His death upon the Cross). He defeats the devil's temptation, not with raw strength and power, but with perfect trust and confidence in His Father, relying on Him alone for all that He needs for life.