

SCHOENBRUNN COMMUNITY MORAVIAN CHURCH
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Transfiguration of our Lord
February 23, 2020

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"Watchword for the week: **God said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"** Matthew 17:5" †

Please sign the friendship register and pass down your pew, then to the pew behind you.
Thank you!

WORDS OF WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

*BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY HYMN Insert

*GREETING OUR SISTERS & BROTHERS

*WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK

FOURTH SUNDAY CHOIR PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: What does it mean to be transformed by God?

All: It means that his compassionate love should be present in our hearts.

Leader: How do we make necessary changes in our lives?

All: We must surrender our need for control. We must trust that God's plan will help us shine with his glory far more than we could possibly imagine!

*HYMN "What Colors God Has Made" MBW # 466

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Tune: Old Hundredth

**Praise God the source of life and breath;
praise Christ, now born to conquer death;
praise Holy Spirit's mystery:
one God, pure grace, who sets us free. ††**

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Transformative God, help us to pay attention to the changes you are making in our world every day. You are an active God. Help us to follow in your footsteps and light up our world with love every day. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE LESSONS	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Pg. 147
	Matthew 17:1-9	Pg. 694

CHILDREN'S LESSON

HYMN "O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair" MBW # 327

MESSAGE "The Transfiguration"

*HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" MBW # 719

*BENEDICTION

*CHIME

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand, as able.*
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Moravian Birthday Hymn #447
(Tune: COVENANT - #444)

With your presence, Lord, our Head and Savior,
Bless them all, we humbly pray;
Our dear heavenly Father's love and favor
be their comfort every day.
May God's Spirit now in each proceeding
Favor them with his most gracious leading;
Thus shall they be truly blessed both in labor and in rest. †

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Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church - Ministry "Briefing"

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Briefing the Ministers (All of Us) February 23, 2020

*Welcome to worship! A warm welcome to those visiting with us today - we're glad you're here!
Please sign our friendship register as it is passed through each row.*

LARGE PRINT BIBLES are available. For those who would like one they are located at the usher's table. Ask an usher to get you one! Thank you for returning them to the ushers table following worship.

RESTROOMS and a water cooler are located on the lower level. From the front doors, continue down the steps. The Ladies' room is on the right and an accessible restroom is on the left. Continue straight through the doorway and the Men's room is on the right, past the water cooler.

Park Street Pizzas are on sale now! A sign-up sheet is in the narthex for anyone wishing to order a pizza. They will be assembled at church and available for pickup on Sunday, March 22nd. **Moravian Seal and Lovefeast cutting boards are still available!** Please see Emily Lippert to purchase one. Both fundraisers will help send our Tuscarawas County Moravian Mission Team to Tricklebee Café in Milwaukee, WI this July!

This year's **Ash Wednesday Ecumenical worship service** will be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in New Philadelphia on **Wednesday, February 26th at 7:00 PM**. Come mark the beginning of Lent with our Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopalian brothers and sisters.

Items for the April newsletter are due Sunday, March 22nd. Email Pastor Ben (pastor@scmchurch.org) to have your information included. **Bulletin info** is due to Carolyn Menapace (cmenapace@roadrunner.com) by Wednesday of each week. **Calendar updates** may be emailed to Angie Miller at heartofgold@roadrunner.com.

February 16th, 2020 – Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Worship Attendance:

Sunday School:

YOUR HELPERS IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters: Joe & Martha Dalcoma

Ushers: Carol Fantine & Aimee Pasquinelli

2020 CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD

Isaiah 45:12

"He destined us for adoption
as his children through Jesus Christ,
according to the good pleasure of his will."



Our Weekly Planner

February 23, 2020 – March 1, 2020

“Christ called, Christ centered, Christ sent...Loving all!”

<p><u>Today</u> 23</p>	<p>Last Sunday after the Epiphany Transfiguration of our Lord 9:15 AM – Combined Sunday School Class with Breakfast 10:20 AM – Fourth Sunday Choir Rehearsal 10:30 AM – Worship / Q & A Sermon / Fourth Sunday Choir 11:45 AM - Birthday/Anniversary Reception</p>
<p><u>Monday</u> 24</p>	
<p><u>Tuesday</u> 25</p>	<p>7:00 PM – OMMC (Ohio Moravian Ministries Commission)</p>
<p><u>Wednesday</u> 26</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday 7:00 PM – Ecumenical Worship at Emmanuel Lutheran (New Phila.)</p>
<p><u>Thursday</u> 27</p>	
<p><u>Friday</u> 28</p>	
<p><u>Saturday</u> 29</p>	
<p><u>Sunday</u> 1</p>	<p>First Sunday in Lent March 1, 1457 – Founding of the Unity Prayer Day for Moravian Unity Work 9:15 AM – Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship / Holy Communion 11:45 AM – 1:00 PM - Youth Sunday Activity</p>



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Checks can be made out to O.M.M.C. and should be written when the order is placed.

Orders are due no later than Wednesday March 4th!
Anyone on the mission team will be happy to take your orders!

Thank you!



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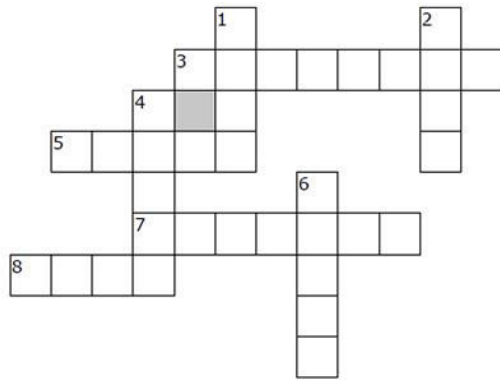
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Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3. A raised part of the earth's surface, larger than a hill
5. A white or gray mass of very small drops of water that floats in the sky
7. Articles of apparel such as pants, shirts, dresses, etc.
8. To have a strong feeling of affection for someone

DOWN

1. Something that is pleasing, enjoyable, or of high quality
2. Having a great distance from top to bottom
4. The sound produced by the vocal organs; what we use to speak
6. The color of snow or milk

HIGH	CLOUD	WHITE	MOUNTAIN
VOICE	GOOD	LOVE	CLOTHES



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Children's Worship Bulletin

The Transfiguration

Matthew 17:1-9

Word Search Puzzle

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LOVE	MOSES	GOOD	WHITE	ELIJAH
JAMES	DAYS	APPEARED	MOUNTAIN	HIGH



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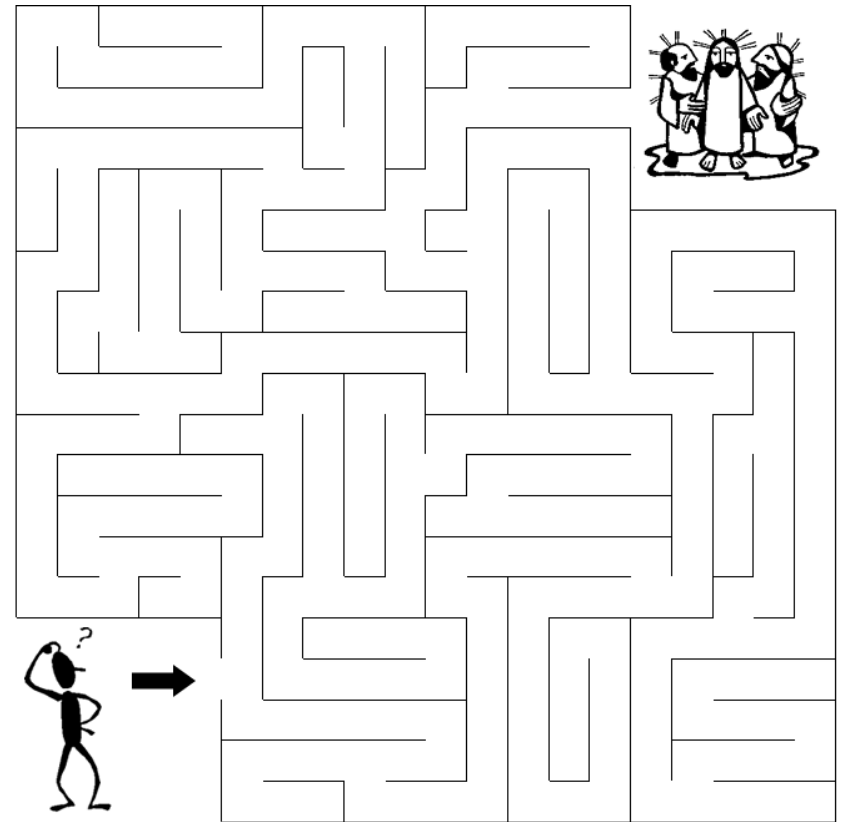


"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.
Listen to him!"
Matthew 17:5b (NIV)

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Maze Puzzle

Can you find the way to Jesus, Moses, and Elijah on the mountain?



Name _____

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FEBRUARY 23, 2020
TRANSFIGURATION
OF OUR LORD



Disciples have a mountaintop experience.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Matthew 17:1-9	Transfiguration of Jesus
Monday	Exodus 24:12-18	Moses goes up to Mt. Sinai
Tuesday	2 Peter 1:16-21	Eye witnesses of Christ's glory
Wednesday	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	Giving, praying, and fasting
Thursday	Genesis 8:1-22	The Lord's promise for the earth
Friday	Genesis 22:1-19	The Lord will provide
Saturday	Psalms 2	The Lord's chosen king
Sunday	Matthew 4:1-11	Temptation of Jesus

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid."
And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.
Matthew 17:7-8 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty and eternal God, help us to be aware of your saving presence in our lives and in our world, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtimes Prayer:

Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, and let this food to us be blessed; and let there be a goodly share, on every table, everywhere. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord Almighty bless you to see Jesus and to bring you comfort and strength.



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FEBRUARY 23, 2020

HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Jesus on the
Mountain Peak*



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Identify a special place in your life where you go to experience God's presence.
- Tell of or think about a time you had a special sense of God's presence in your life.
- How do you think the experience of Jesus' transfiguration witnessed by Peter, James, and John impacted the disciples after Jesus' death and resurrection?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Matthew 17:1-9.

In the midst of the challenges and hurts of everyday life, it can be a gift and a source of comfort and strength to have a "God moment" experience. It happened to Peter, James, and John. It also happens to us, that sense that God is near and all is well. Our comfort is not in any god or spiritual experience, but one that links us to Jesus, the Son of God, the one who came to die on another mountain, Golgotha. This mountain experience brings together Jesus, Moses, Elijah, and unprepared disciples. What makes this moment a valued "God moment" is that the disciples are comforted ("do not be afraid") and their focus becomes exclusively on Jesus alone. What a moment and a gift it is to see Jesus before us with total focus and concentration. Have you had a special moment that gave you a comforting sense that Jesus was with you?
Pray: Dear God, help us to see Jesus in our mountaintop highs and in our valley lows, and may that vision give us comfort and strength to be your faithful followers. In Jesus' name, amen.

SERVICE

A clear voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" (Matthew 17:5b). The key word here is "listen." A Greek philosopher, Epictetus once said, "We have two ears and one mouth so that we can listen twice as much as we speak." One way to serve others is to simply listen. Who, in your life this week, would appreciate the gift of listening?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

In Exodus 24, Moses went up on a cloud-covered mountain. "Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights" (vs. 18b). We are about to enter another 40-day period of prayer and fasting as we prepare for Ash Wednesday this week. The day before is called Shrove Tuesday and is recognized around the world as a day to eat fattening foods, especially pancakes. Prepare a pancake feast on Tuesday this week to enjoy with friends and family. After feasting, say this blessing: **May God bless you through your journey this Lent.**



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