

Prayer Concerns

- **Mike** – young man that suffered a stroke – 02/03/13
- **Bill** – brain aneurism – 02/03/13
- **Family of Jim** - peace through time of grief – 01/29/13
- **Sherry** – facing chemo treatments – 01/20/13
- **Pete** – malignant tumor, starting chemo – 01/11/13
- **Jan** – recovering from surgery and chemo – 01/14/13
- **Derek** – has debilitating liver condition and ulcerative colitis – 01/13/13
- **Family of Toni** – peace in their grief -- 12/30/12
- **Barbara** – Terminal cancer – 12/30/12
- **Tom** – suffering from colon cancer – 12/30/12
- **Guy** – suffering from brain cancer – 12/30/12
- **Joyelyn** – suffering from multiple health issues and chronic pain – 12/17/12
- **Tommy** – 15yr old with Hodgkin's Lymphoma – 12/5/12
- **Andrea** – cancer has progressed, more chemo – 11/30/12
- **Cole** – has benign optic nerve tumor, receiving treatment – 11/11/12

Prayer Concerns will now be kept for 90 days only.

Entries may be updated prior to that. Please contact Jerry Youngquist by Wednesday evening with any prayer concerns or Calendar Events – 651-237-1003

Quote-ables:

“The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult; and left untried.” ___G. K. Chesterton

Grin-ables:

Q – What excuse did Adam give his children when they asked as to why they no longer lived in Eden?

A – Your mother ate us out of house and home...

CHURCH SIGN:

“Moses was a basket case
In denial.”



CHURCH SIGN:

“For many are cold,
But few are frozen [sic]”
___Matthew 22:14

Responsive Reading: Psalm 99

P: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
C: *The LORD is great in Zion;
he is exalted over all the peoples.*

P: Let them praise your great and awesome name!
Holy is he!
C: *The King in his might loves justice.
You have established equity;
you have executed justice
and righteousness in Jacob.*

P: Exalt the LORD our God;
worship at his footstool!
Holy is he!
C: *Moses and Aaron were among his priests,
Samuel also was among those who called upon his name.
They called to the LORD, and he answered them.*

P: In the pillar of the cloud he spoke to them;
they kept his testimonies
and the statute that he gave them.
C: *O LORD our God, you answered them;
you were a forgiving God to them,
but an avenger of their wrongdoings.*

P: Exalt the LORD our God,
and worship at his holy mountain;
C: *for the LORD our God is holy!*

1st Lesson – Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, ‘I will give it to your offspring.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.” ...

1st Lesson (Cont'd):

...So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

2nd Lesson – Hebrews 3:1-6

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

Transfiguration Sunday

Many of the Christian traditions celebrate "Transfiguration Sunday". The feast is based on the passage found in each of the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) where Jesus is transfigured before Peter, John, and James. Each of the gospels tells the story slightly differently, but all include these three apostles, ...

Transfiguration Sunday (cont'd)

...Jesus' prayer and change of appearance, the presence of Moses and Elijah, and a voice (presumably God's) from a cloud. The gospel writers seem to include this event in the life of Jesus and his apostles for a three-fold purpose: First, the Evangelists want to demonstrate that Jesus is divine and has a greater place than Moses and Elijah (the greatest prophets and leaders) in Hebrew history, their hagiography, and the economy of salvation. Secondly, we are not to get 'stuck' in adoration of this divinity and greatness of Christ's. Finally, we are to remember Jesus' humanity and hear the call to leave the mountain top to go teach and serve as he does. ___Pr. Rob

Catechism Lesson: The Ten Commandments

The Eighth Commandment:

"You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor."

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

The Ninth Commandment:

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house."

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

Calendar

Lent: Lenten services will commence on **Ash Wednesday, Feb. 13** and continue each Wed. through March 20. These Wednesdays will feature a "Soup n Sandwich" supper starting at 6:00pm and conclude with a Lenten service starting at 7:00pm. The council will meet at 5:00pm prior to the supper February 13 and March 13. These Wednesday Lenten services will end after the March 20th (none during Holy Week. There will be a service on Good Friday... more information to follow.