

Prayers

Prayer Concerns

Dave Merrill
Dunwiddie Family
Keith Senn
Jane Kinyon
Joel Wigstadt
Larry Granger
Barb Halverson
Irene Johnson
Kevin Erickson
Diane Bonertz
Jerry Hanson
Carl Nyberg
Jean Nyberg
Kathy Herron
Jeannine Julson
Marlene Blair
Walt Thompson

Serving in the military

Jamie Lindman
Max Stenbeck
Nick Erickson
Derek Davis
Brooks Moldestad
Tijaun Scott
James Gunderson

Missionaries

Irene Amon
Steven & Bethany Friberg
Philip Nushann



Transfiguration welcomes all who seek to experience the joy of God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all: people of every race, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity and relationship status. Our unity is in Christ. Therefore we walk with each other through addictions, physical and mental illness, legal and socio-economic circumstances and other life challenges.

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE.

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



TLC Foundation

Memorial Garden

www.tlcmemorial.com

A place of peace and reflection, honoring and remembering those close to our hearts. Tributes cover the years 2012 to present.

TLC Staff

Pr. Arthur Murray	Pastor
Pr. Melanie Heuiser Hill	Early Childhood Ministry
Pete Erickson	Interim Youth Minister
Rob Reid	Director of Music
Jordan Zahrte	Social Media & Adult Education
Marilyn Erickson	Care Ministry
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Nancy Waldack	Financial Administrator
Molly Schuh	Finance Team
Karen Daniels	Organist
Carmen Englert	Organist
Mary George	Vocalist, Choir Assistant
Phetsamone Ekholm	Pianist
Barb Wigstadt	Director ELC
Diane Lehman	Wedding & Funeral Coordinator
Brad Nolte	TLC Media



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This Week at TLC

Monday, 30 - Friday, December 4

TLC Office Open Mon.-Thurs., 9:00am—4:00pm,
(Visits by appointment only)
ELC Open Monday – Friday 6:00am – 6:00pm

ALL MEETINGS CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
Check the website calendar for ZOOM planned meetings.

Sunday, December 6

10:00 WORSHIP/COMMUNION SERVICE ONLINE

Dear Church,

The TLC Church Council, at the recommendation of the TLC Covid Response Team, and after consulting the recommendations and established guidelines for the State of Minnesota, Center for Disease Control and Bloomington Public Health, have decided to continue to keep the church building closed (except the ELC) and continue online programming for worship and program ministries through the end of December. This decision is consistent with the Bloomington School district. We will continue to monitor the case numbers and revisit our approach to worship and programming in January.

In the meantime, we encourage you to participate in the online worship, resources, and programming the Transfiguration Lutheran Church is providing. We hope that they are providing support and encouragement for you in these days. Pastor Arthur and the TLC Staff continue to be available by phone, email and video conference for pastoral support and other needs as they arise.

As we consider how to be the church in these unusual times, we are guided not just by public health directives, but also by the multiple commitments of our faith. These can be in tension with each other at times. For example:

1. Jesus tells us to love our neighbor as ourselves. Therefore, out of love for one another and concern for the well-being (particularly of the most vulnerable) we will take every precaution and follow state recommendations to ensure the health and safety of all.
2. We worship a God who chose to become flesh and dwell among us. God came to us "in person." As the Easter story reminds us, this movement of God to dwell with us was not without risk. Jesus tells us that when two or three are gathered together, he is with us. Gathering together is essential to who we are as the body of Christ. Therefore, we will establish clear plans to resume in-person gathering as soon as state guidelines permit.

For the most updated information about the status programming and building use, please visit the front page of our website and click on "Covid 19" or call the church office. We pray that you stay safe and well.

Photos & Videos in Church

Our worship services are public events, all are welcome. Services are captured on video live-stream, recorded and photographed for a variety of social media applications.

TRANSFIGURATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

11000 FRANCE AVE. SOUTH, BLOOMINGTON, MN 55431

First Sunday in Advent

November 29, 2020

10:00am Worship

Gathering in Grace

Welcome/Living Our Faith

Prelude – Oh, Come, Emmanuel (Wilbur Held)

Toccata on "Veni Emmanuel" (James Denton)

Karen Daniels, organist

Time for Children – Pete and Pr. Melanie

Call to Worship – We Light the Advent Candles

Lighting the Advent Wreath – Jerry and Louise Olson

a moment of silence is kept

Hymn 254 – Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (tune: HYFRYDOL)

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Growing in Faith

Lesson – Isaiah 64:1-9

Lector – Jerry Olson

Gospel Acclamation – Emmanuel (Bob McGee)

Announcement of Gospel

Gospel – Mark 13:24-37

Message – Pastor Arthur Murray

Hymn 257 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

verses 1, 2 and 6

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering

Giving with Joy – Celtic Advent Meditation

Mary Anne Lofstrom, handbells; Jill Reid, flute; Karen Daniels, pianist

Recording from 12/1/2019

Setting the Table of Grace

Confession and Forgiveness

Jesus' Words at the Table

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Receiving of Communion

Song – Once He Came in Blessing (Wilbur Held)

Karen Daniels, organist

Blessing

Prayer

Going Forth to Serve

Benediction

Hymn 244 – Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

Sending Forth

Postlude – Rejoice, Rejoice Believers (Michael Burkhardt)

Karen Daniels, organist

Welcome

Welcome to on-line worship at Transfiguration Lutheran Church.

If interested in membership, please call the church office.

Pastors and staff are praying for you. Until we gather again at TLC, please send prayer concerns to Marilyn Erickson at merickson@tlcmn.com



It's time to order poinsettia's again to adorn the altar space. Please order on line and send a check to TLC for the amount of \$12.00 each. Remember to share who flowers are in "memory of" or in "honor of." Orders are due by December 7.



Advent Season

Filling food shelves and serving the hungry

During Advent, TLC will partner with:

1. VEAP - The double West side center doors at TLC will be open from 10:00am to 3:00pm, Monday through Thursday, the weeks December 7 and December 14. Please bring your items and place them in the bins just inside the doors. Monetary gifts can also be received. At VEAP, support means so much more than a bag of groceries or a rent check—it means HOPE. Watch for more information.
2. Meals on Wheels - 8400 France Ave., Bloomington 55431
3. Feed My Starving Children - 401 93rd Avenue NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433
4. World Hunger - Bread for the World Institute, 425 3rd Street SW, Suite 1200, Washington DC 20024 or P.O. Box 96416, Washington, DC 20090-6416

You can send a donation by check to the above organizations or to TLC with the organization listed on the check.

Life at TLC

Activities that share the life at TLC have been cancelled until further notice.

All events at TLC have been cancelled until further notice.

Please continue to remember your contributions to TLC as you can during this period. Despite the canceling of activities, we still have expenses and utilities that need to continue, as well as salaries to pay.

The Church office is STAFFED, with Michelle Reber and Marilyn Erickson available Monday through Thursday, 9:00am - 4:00pm. You need to call ahead for an appointment, wear masks, use hand sanitizer (available at the entrance to the office) and practice social distancing during your visit.



TOGETHER WE WAIT

TLC invites you to come together as we wait and anticipate during this Advent season – looking to Jesus, born into the world to bring light and love to all creation – the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. This season we will focus on three community priorities:

- **Worship:** On Sundays during Advent, we will light candles and sing hymns and songs of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love as we welcome "Emmanuel - God with Us." On Wednesdays at 6:30pm, we will gather for Holden Evening Prayer, with leadership provided by young people at TLC.
- **Faith Practices:** Living our faith in the world is the very essence of our baptismal promise. In Advent, TLC will provide families with opportunities to grow faith practices at home, engage in rituals during worship, and connect with each other in community. Families with young children are invited to gather Sunday mornings at 9:30 (via zoom) for a time of stories, songs and learning about Advent and its practices. Look for the weekly email with easy ideas to make living out our faith more tangible during this season of hope and expectation.
- **Show love to our Neighbor:** This pandemic has placed an undue burden on those who are already food and clothing insecure, struggling with housing, and looking to local outreach for help. Our mission partners are desperate for churches like TLC to join their effort to fill food shelves and serve those in need. In Advent, TLC will partner with VEAP, Meals on Wheels, Feed My Starving Children, World Hunger. See Mission of the Month for more information.

Look for more Advent dates and specifics in the bulletin, the TLC Weekly, and on TLC social media.

TLC YOUTH Announcements

College Planning 101 — December 6 at 6:30pm

Dreaming of college? Your path to graduating with less debt starts here. Join us for a FREE College Planning 101 workshop. Learn how to save on the cost of college and avoid excessive debt.

- ◆ The value of college and having a plan.
- ◆ Tips and tricks to lower your college costs.
- ◆ The basics of college financial aid.

This workshop will be held at Zoom: code 819 251 7181 Password 393992. Sponsored by TLC Children, Youth, and Family Director, Pete Erickson and Thrivent Rep. Durk Peterson on Sunday, December 6 2020 at 6:30pm. Please call 612-702-5509 or email durk.peterson@thrivent.com to reserve a place for yourself and a guest.

No products will be sold

TLC SUNDAY SCHOOL (PreK—4th grade) will meet EVERY WEEK on Zoom.

A Zoom link and potential activity materials list will be sent to families each week for their age group.

Here is the link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83217470428?pwd=ZnBpVUNQR1ZTRFRmSlk2enB3WnhpUT09>

Meeting ID: 832 1747 0428

Passcode: 696867

If you have questions about Sunday School or would like to help provide leadership one time a month, please contact Pete (perickson@tlcmn.com).

