

# † THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD †

February 14, 2010

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

- *The order of worship for each of our three weekend services is indicated in the bulletin and the hymnal, “Lutheran Service Book” (LSB), is located in the pew racks in front of you.*
- *We extend a special word of welcome to first-time visitors and invite you to take a welcome kit located by the Jesus Fountain in the church entrance.*
- *To register member and visitor attendance, provide updates or other information, or to submit comments/requests to the pastors or church office, please use the **Welcome Card with Sign-Up/Information Sheet** in the bulletin. Church offerings, welcome cards and any other information will be collected during the offering time or may be left in the wicker basket by the Jesus Fountain after the service.*

## COMMUNION STATEMENT

- *The congregation of Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who: †Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (John 20:31); †Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (1 Cor. 11:29); †Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (1 Cor. 11:28); and †Look to God’s Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (Col. 1:10). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.*
- *Non-Alcoholic Fruit of the Vine: Persons who are sensitive to alcohol are welcome to receive the blood of Christ in the sacrament using non-alcoholic grape juice. The juice is located in the center circle of each individual tray and is lighter in color. Wine is always available with the Common Cup or Individual Cups.*
- *Gluten-free consecrated hosts (the bread of Holy Communion) are available for all those with allergies or intolerance to gluten. Simply say “Gluten-Free” to the minister or bring your bulletin forward and point to the Gluten-Free symbol prior to receiving the bread.*
- *Communion may be brought to those with limited mobility. Please alert a Pastor or usher if you wish to commune in this way.*



## TO KNOW LIVE AND SHARE THE LOVE OF CHRIST

- *Under the blessing of God, the mission of Village Lutheran Church is a ministry of the Word and Sacraments. This ministry gives opportunities for mission, witness, nurture, fellowship, stewardship, and service. It focuses on the specific needs of individuals and groups within the congregation and extends to the church-at-large, the community, and the world.*
- *The Chapel School is an integral part of the congregation’s ministry directed specifically to children. It provides a distinctive Christian education enabling children to evidence a Christian lifestyle and to achieve academic success.*

**TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY**

**SATURDAY - 5:30 p.m.**  
Spoken Divine Service

**PRELUDE**

Agincourt Hymn

- John Dunstable

**INVOCATION and CONFESSION**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of Your people, turning us from our sin to live for You alone. Give us the power of Your Holy Spirit that, attentive to Your Word, we may confess our sins, receive Your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Gracious God, have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. Whoever believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C: Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN**

O Day of Rest and Gladness

LSB Hymn #906

**KYRIE**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, the resplendent light of Your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by Your beloved Son, and illuminate the world with Your image; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

### **+LITURGY OF THE WORD+**

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Exodus 34:29-35

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

#### **EPISTLE**

2 Corinthians 3:12 – 4:2

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

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#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 9:28-36

P: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*(The Gospel is read)*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

LSB **Hymn #413**

#### **SERMON**

“Let’s Just Stay”

Rev. Deric Taylor

#### **NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERING/VOLUNTARY

Gloria Tibi Trinitas

- Thomas Tallis

### OFFERTORY (*Congregation rising*)

(LSB Hymn #955)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with Your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

## +LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST+

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD and MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

P: Through Him, with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

C: **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray with confidence to the Father, in the words our Lord gave us:

**C: 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 and ever. Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI**

P: Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:

**C: Have mercy on us.**

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P: Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:

**C: Grant us Your peace.**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

**DISTRIBUTION**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

A: We give thanks to You, O God, for this foretaste of the feast to come, where we will live in Your presence and glory for eternity. Strengthen us through Your gift of love, that we may honor and glorify You in all that we say and do; through Jesus Christ, Your beloved Son, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN**

'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

LSB Hymn #414

**DISMISSAL**

P: The Divine Service is ended. Go in peace to serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**POSTLUDE**

Rigaudon

- Andre Campra

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**SUNDAY - 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.**  
Service of Hymnic Holy Communion

**PRELUDE**

Ellacombe

- Donald Busasrow

**ENTRANCE HYMN** (*Congregation rising*)

LSB Hymn #906

O Day of Rest and Gladness

**INVOCATION and INTROIT** (*from Psalm 99*)

P: In the name of God the Father Almighty,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: In the name of God the Son,

**C: who reigns in glory and great honor.**

P: In the name of the Holy Spirit,

**C: who reveals to us our sin and our Savior.**

P: The Lord reigns, let the nations tremble; He sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake. Great is the Lord in Zion; He is exalted over all the nations. Let them praise Your great and awesome name.

**C: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy.**

P: O Lord our God, You answered them; You were to Israel a forgiving God, though You punished their misdeeds.

**C: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Transfigured Son and to the Holy Spirit, in times past, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

♪ **KYRIE** (*sung to the hymn "Amazing Grace"*)

Have mercy on Your people, Lord. Have mercy, Christ, our King.

Renew us by Your mercy, Lord; accept the prayers we bring.

♪ **GLORIA** (*sung to the hymn "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"*)

"Glory be to God on high!" This is now our joyful cry.

Peace to all who live on earth, grace and favor for new birth.

You we praise and glorify, worship You, O Lord most high.

Gracious Father, heav'nly King, to Your name alone we sing:

Praise the glory of Your name, now and evermore the same!

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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### ♪ ALLELUIA VERSE *(Congregation rising)*

(LSB Hymn #578, v. 3)

Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; bright with Thine own holiness,

Glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

### GOSPEL

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And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Stand By Me

- Hugh S. Linvingston, Jr.

### ♪ OFFERTORY (*Congregation rising*)

(LSB Hymn #955)

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Grace our table with Your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

## † HOLY COMMUNION †

### PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: Holy are You, our exalted Lord for You are the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets. You humbly journeyed to the cross to bear the burden and weight of our sin. You took on the punishment we deserved so that we could stand before the Father, clothed in Your righteousness and purity. Therefore with all on earth who trust in You and with the angel host in heaven, we cry,

C: **holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

P: Lord Jesus, as we eat Your true body and drink Your true blood in this Supper, reveal Your amazing love to us once again that we would find peace in our hearts and strength in our lives to love others as You have loved us. Hear us as we pray in Your name and as You have taught us:

C: **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 and ever. Amen. (Matt. 6:9-13)**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

♪ **AGNUS DEI** (*sung to “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*)

O Lamb of God, we pray: Take all our sins away – our faith increase.

Have mercy on us all, strengthen us when we fall, answer our fervent call and grant us peace.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

LSB Hymn #631

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

LSB Hymn #411

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**A:** We give thanks to You, O God, for this foretaste of the feast to come, where we will live in Your presence and glory for eternity. Strengthen us through Your gift of love, that we may honor and glorify You in all that we say and do; through Jesus Christ, Your beloved Son, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN**

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LSB Hymn #414

**SILENT MEDITATION** (*Congregation seated*)

**POSTLUDE**

The Heavens Declare

- Robert Wetzler

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# VLC NEWS AND NOTES

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Rita Wilma Brander from the Uebel and Harris families.

**PLEASE JOIN US IN THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM** after the 9:00 a.m. worship service for cake, coffee and fellowship. Thanks to the Horvath and Mayer families for providing the refreshments.

**PRAYER LINE:** Please remember those members or friends who are hospitalized or recovering from an illness especially Joan Bevers, Christine DiGiovanni, Dawn Galloway, Lyn Hartwell, Scott James, David Just, Robert Kubic, Gene Lunog, Janet Lunog, Alexis Matos, Luz Maria Nieves, Sylvia Puig, John Rapillo, Julio Sanchez. Also keep our shut-in/ homebound members & friends in your prayers.

**Names are listed for 3 weeks.**

**PASTORAL VISITS TO THE SICK:** HIPAA legislation prohibits hospitals from sharing names of those receiving care, even to clergy. If you are hospitalized or learn of a fellow VLC member who is hospitalized, please call the church office at 914-337-0207 x 1003, so a visit can be made.

**BEREAVEMENT PRAYER LINE:** We include in our prayers all those in our community that have recently lost a loved one, especially: The families of all who were killed in the earthquake in Haiti. The family of John Stull, uncle of Wendy Haddad, who passed away on February 9, 2010. The family of Karissa Kumpan, friend & neighbor of many in the Eastchester Community, who passed away in a tragic car accident on February 6, 2010. The family of Michael DeVito, who passed away on February 4, 2010. The family of Heather Mayhew, who passed away of February 2, 2010. The family of Frank Liersemann, Sr., grandfather of Sarah Gleason, who passed away on January 15, 2010. Please share the information on the tear-off sheet in the bulletin or call the church office 337-0207 x1003.

**Let us continue** to pray for the soldiers, Marines, airmen, sailors and special forces who put their lives in harm's way, especially Joshua Alvarado AFSOS, Maj. Daniel Cahill, Sgt. Marco Cerbone, Chris Finocchio, Andrew Flink AFSOS, Bill Kavanagh, Chris Lena, Nick Lion, Olivia Lion, Ben Millarch, Dan Miller, Gregory Olsen, Maj. Bradley Rakov, LCDR Christopher Rakov, Brent Smith, Aaron Tiso.

## CHURCH NEWS

**VLC MUSIC MINISTRY:** **Chancel Choir** will sing at 7:30 p.m. on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17, and at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 21, but will not rehearse on Thursday, Feb. 18; **Youth Choir** will be on break this week and will rehearse again on Thursday, Feb. 25, at 7:00 p.m.; **High School Choir** will resume rehearsals in March; **Village Brass** will rehearse on Wednesdays at 7:00pm and play for Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17; **Village Bells** will rehearse at 6:30pm on Feb. 17 and play for the Ash Wednesday service at 7:30 p.m.

**LENT BEGINS ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17** - We will have one full service with ashes and Holy Communion at **7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary**. VLC members and friends are also welcome to attend a brief service with ashes and Holy Communion led by Pastor Hartwell in the **Concordia chapel at 11:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday morning Bible Study** will not meet on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17. Members are invited to worship at the Concordia Chapel (see note above). The next session will be on **Feb. 24** at 10:45 a.m. Volunteers are also needed that week to stay afterwards and assist with getting out the monthly newsletter.

**New Member Weekend!** We will be welcoming new members to Village Lutheran Church on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday March 6-7 at all services (Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.). If you would like to be welcomed as a member that day, contact Pastor Hartwell ([pastorh@vlc-ny.org](mailto:pastorh@vlc-ny.org)) or Pastor Taylor ([dtaylor@vlc-ny.org](mailto:dtaylor@vlc-ny.org)) before Tuesday, March 2. You may also call the church at 914-337-0207.

**Women's Bible Study/LWML - February 20 at 8:30 a.m.** Please read **Chapter 6** of *Slightly Bad Girls of the Bible: The Night Has Eyes, Leah the Unseen*. If you have never joined us, or haven't joined us recently, we'd love to see you (no need to read previous chapters, you may pick up right at Chapter 6). Also, you may bring along your mission kits for Lutheran World Relief and mite boxes. If you are able, please bring a breakfast item to share. Questions? Call Julie Taylor.

**Do you knit or crochet? Would you like to learn?** The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be having a gathering on **Saturday, February 20, 2010, from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon** in the library. Bring your shawl in progress and spend time with others as we stitch. Or bring materials and be taught how to knit or crochet. Materials needed: 3 skeins (6 oz ea) of yarn (Lion Brand, Homespun suggested), and either size 11 or 13 knitting needle, or size M crochet needle. We'd love to have you join us!

**Midweek Lenten Services** continue each **Wednesday at 7:30 pm from Feb. 24 through March 24**. Our theme will be "The Body of Christ," with devotional services that look at Jesus' ministry through the physical and metaphorical image of His body. **If you would be willing to provide special music or to host a light reception** for one of these services, please fill out the sign-up form or contact Minister of Music Deb Reiss at 914-337-0207, x1018 or [DREISS@VLC-NY.ORG](mailto:DREISS@VLC-NY.ORG).

**First Communicant Classes** will be held for **students in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and above** during Lent. **CLASS TIMES: Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. beginning February 24**. The LOCK-IN will be held Friday, March 19 from 6-10 p.m. and the 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Service will be Sunday, March 21 at 10:45 a.m. All VLC members, visitors and Chapel School students in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade & above who have not had their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion are welcome!

**PRAYER SERVICES** are held regularly on the last Saturday of the month. Beginning at 6:30 p.m. (following the regular Saturday service), these brief moments for meditation & prayer offer personal prayers at the altar and the ancient tradition of anointing with oil. **The next service is Sat., February 27, at 6:30 p.m.**

**Join us for monthly worship** at Sprain Brook Manor Rehabilitation in Scarsdale. Services are normally held at 2:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. Future services: **March 9, April 13, May 11**.

The Village Lutheran Church will host the **Good News Christian Coffee House** on **Saturday, March 13, 2010** featuring Tina Wills and an Easter multimedia concert with Christian mime! The Coffee House opens at 7 p.m. with gourmet coffee and pastries, and the concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5/Adult, Seniors, Students. Children \$2 (ages 5-12). A love offering will be taken to offset expenses.

**GATHERING OF FRIENDS X - Save the date & get involved! Friday, March 12, 2010**. Gala Dinner and Auction benefitting Village Lutheran Church and The Chapel School. For more information or to get involved, please contact: Ellen Bryceland, Event Chair at 914-439-2911 / e-mail [eobb46@gmail.com](mailto:eobb46@gmail.com), or Jeanette Van Duyne, Development Assistant at 914-337-0207 x 1040 / e-mail [jvandyne@vlc-ny.org](mailto:jvandyne@vlc-ny.org).

**Spring Alpha returns in April!** Come join us on **Wednesday, April 7**: Celebration, Cocktails and Dinner. We will meet in the Multi-Purpose Room from **6:30 - 9:00 p.m.** What is it? An opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian Faith. Low Key, Friendly, Fun! Bring a Friend!

**LWML News!** With your generous support and mite box donations we have completed Mission Grant #13 (He Lives). We are now working on Mission Grant #14 (Cross Cultural Youth Expansion). We have 4 more grants to go before March 31, 2010 to complete all projects for this year. Please join us in the endeavor. Coins and bills are graciously accepted and all funds stay predominately in the U.S.A. where God's Word is spread and provisions are made for the needy.

**The women of VLC have started a PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY.** A Prayer Shawl is knitted or crocheted and given to persons who are ill, have suffered a loss, or are in the midst of a crisis. When the prayer shawl is completed, it will be turned in to the church office, blessed with special prayer and delivered by the Pastors or Deacons to someone in need. To assist in this endeavor, please contact Shawl Coordinator, Erika Doherty, at 914-337-1080. For more information, see the pamphlets in the Tract Rack, in the Narthex of the church.

**Did you know?** Pastor Hartwell is teaching at Concordia College this semester in the Education Department as an Adjunct Professor. EDU 343 Home, School, Church and Community Relations is a course that helps teacher candidates understand the unique relationships teachers have with parents, administrators, communities and churches and to begin thinking about building bridges with these important constituency groups as they educate children. A Professional Development School relationship (PDS), called "Concord of Excellence," between Concordia College and The Chapel School seeks to empower both institutions via shared resources and sharing of knowledge and expertise. Please pray for our PDS relationships as Concordia and The Chapel School seek "to know, live and share the love of Christ," especially to children and families.

### **SENIOR NEWS**

**Upcoming Seniors' Luncheons** - Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch begins at 12 noon. All VLC Seniors, Loehman Village Residents and community members welcome!

**March 9** - Rich O'Donnell, Appraiser for Eastchester shares tax issues for seniors.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

**Today is Transfiguration Sunday**, and the account of Jesus' transfiguration is the Bible lesson (Luke 9:28-36) in Sunday School. On the Mount of Transfiguration, God showed that His Son, Jesus, is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets, declaring that we should listen to Jesus, our Savior. In discussing this Bible story, ask family members to consider how they are like Peter, not always understanding Jesus' ways and purpose. In His Word, Jesus patiently instructs me about Himself by the power of the Holy Spirit. Ask the children to recall their favorite Bible stories about Jesus.

**Special children's bulletins** called "Kids Celebrate" are available each week to reinforce the Bible lessons read in church, using puzzles, questions and other activities. Use them in church or at home!

From *Life's Little Book of Wisdom For Kids* (Barbour Publishing, [www.barbourbooks.com](http://www.barbourbooks.com)). This week, remind that special child in your life: **Even when you feel lonely, God is with you.**

### **STEWARDSHIP NEWS**

God's standards are higher for His people, because He expects not only upright behavior but also proper motives and attitudes. God is not looking for us to do the proper things because others will be pleased, but because we want to please Him. Paul spoke to the Thessalonians saying, "*We are not trying to please men but God, Who tests our hearts*" (1 Thessalonians 2:4). As redeemed people, we strive to do His will, because God deserves nothing less from us.

**The *Simply Giving* Program** - Just as you rely upon receiving income on a regular basis, Village Lutheran Church relies upon your regular contributions. Village Lutheran Church deeply appreciates the efforts of congregation members to make consistent donations throughout the year. To assist you, the church provides a convenient electronic giving option for setting up regular contributions: This program is offered by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Contact Jeanette Van Duyne (914) 337-0207, x1040.

### **SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS**

**LENTEN FOOD DRIVE** - February 21 through March 21, 2010 - Bring in targeted items each week and leave them in the collection bins throughout the campus. Donations will be delivered to the hungry and homeless in our community:

**Week of February 21: Beverages** - 100% juice, shelf-stable milk (Parmalat, powdered), coffee, tea

The **Blessing Basket** collection will continue under the piano in the Friendship Room. Non-perishable items will be taken to ECAP.

**HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF - Thank you to the families of The Chapel School and Village Lutheran Church** for your support and involvement with relief for Haiti by donating completed health kits, supplies for kits, boxes for shipping and funds to cover shipping costs. If you would like to keep up with Lutheran World Relief emergency updates, go to their website: [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org). There is no deadline for the health kits, so you can continue to bring in items and drop them off by the reception area. **Please donate only what is specifically requested. For a complete description of the items and kit assembly, please see the flyer on the tract rack.**

### **PARISH HEALTH NEWS**

**Health tip from your Parish Health Practitioner Joy Elwell** - If you forgot to get valentines - and even if your remembered - send your loved ones a free "e-card". The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has a fun selection with great health tips included at <http://www.cdc.gov/family/valentine/>.

**Health check on Sunday, February 21** - Senior nursing students from the College of Mt. Saint Vincent, will be at Coffee Hour with their instructor, Nancy Manister. They will be taking blood pressure and offering health tips. Please stop by after the 9:00 a.m. service or before the 10:45 a.m. service to check your blood pressure.

**Yoga** is held on **Mondays at 7 p.m.** in the Multi-Purpose Rm. Cost \$10. If you need more information call Faith Forliano 725-8035. No pre-registration required.

**St. Monica's Circle:** St. Monica (b.333, d.387), the mother of St. Augustine, is a patron saint of mothers. A caring initiative for families growing through childbirth and adoption, St. Monica's Circle will provide 5 meals to benefit the growing family.

**If you are expecting a child through pregnancy or adoption**, please notify the church office at 337-0207 when your child is expected to come home, so that we may coordinate volunteers.

**AED:** Village Lutheran Church and The Chapel School have three **Automated External Defibrillators** (AED) located on each level of our campus: by the lunchroom, outside the gym and outside the sanctuary (in the closet marked AED) in the Friendship Room. These life saving devices are easy to use in the event that someone on our campus experiences distress and their heart stops beating.

**Lutheran Counseling Center** provides caring, Christian professional counseling right on our campus. Under LCC's Membership Assistance Program (MAP), VLC members & friends can access these services at the rate of only \$25 per session (for up to 4 sessions). Major health care insurance companies reimburse for LCC services and LCC uses a sliding scale. Call Pastor Hartwell at 337-0207 (1022).

## CHAPEL SCHOOL NEWS

**Lutheran Schools Week** will begin on **Sunday, February 28**, and continue through **Friday, March 5**. We will celebrate Lutheran Schools Sunday on Feb. 28, including our school faculty and staff, the Chapel School Award and music by the Chapel School Select Choir. Under the theme "Covered with Kindness," students will participate in many special activities during the week. God bless our Chapel School!

## YOUTH NEWS

**Voyagers (3rd-6th)** - Meetings are held in the Multi-Purpose Room 6 - 7 p.m. on Thursdays. The next meeting will be held on **Feb. 25, 2010**. Questions, call Erika (914)395-1954 or e-mail [tyandbash@aol.com](mailto:tyandbash@aol.com).

**Lifers (7th-8th)** - Meet on Thursdays from 6 - 7 p.m. for Confirmation. Please visit our VLC website under the youth section for more information or contact Pastor Taylor at (914)337-0207 (1021) or e-mail to [Dtaylor@VLC-ny.org](mailto:Dtaylor@VLC-ny.org).

**Crusaders (9th-12th)** - Pray for the chaperones and youth signed up for the Crusader H.S. Youth Gathering Trip this summer (July 17-21, 2010) to New Orleans. Mrs. Warnken, Pastor Hartwell, Rachel, Josh, Tom, Hannah, Ian, Alex, Max and Rachel. **There is still time to sign up for the Youth Gathering.** Youth who are currently Freshman through Seniors in High School are welcome. Registration fee goes up after March 2, so contact Pastor Hartwell if you wish to go. Visit [www.lcmsgathering.com](http://www.lcmsgathering.com) for more information or call Pastor Hartwell 914-337-0207 (1022) or [PastorH@vlc-ny.org](mailto:PastorH@vlc-ny.org). **Upcoming Crusader Youth Activities: St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage Supper Fundraiser**, Wednesday, March 17 from 5 - 7 p.m., **Easter Egg Hunt** for the children, Saturday, March 27 at 11 a.m. \* **Note: new date!**\* (Lifers and Crusaders arrive at 9:30 a.m. to set-up), **Tag Sale** (Collection/set up days: April 29-30). Saturday, May 1 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. For questions/concerns about our Crusader Youth, please contact Pastor Taylor at (914)337-0207 (1021) or e-mail [Dtaylor@VLC-ny.org](mailto:Dtaylor@VLC-ny.org).

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Lenten Prayer Breakfast** - "Fellowship and Prayer for Local Church Leadership" **Saturday, February 20, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.** Guest Speaker: The Rev. Sarah Fogg, Director of Pastoral Care, St. John's Riverside Hospital. Topic: "Living for Jesus without Losing Your Peace" Long Term Effective Service for Christ. Bryn Mawr Park Presbyterian Church, 20 Buckingham Road, Yonkers, NY. RSVP helpful but not necessary (914) 963-0400.

**Village Lutheran Church members and the Chapel School families are invited to BE TRANSFORMED, at the 2010 Festival of Workshops hosted by The Atlantic District on Saturday, March 6, at Concordia College, Bronxville.** A complete list of workshops and registration information is available on the home page of the District's website, [www.ad-lcms.org](http://www.ad-lcms.org). Several workshops will be offered twice during the day to give people the opportunity to attend a variety of programs that interest them. Registration is \$25 per person if received by February 19th; the fee is \$30 per person thereafter. Morning hospitality and lunch are included. Please contact Carol Mittelstaedt - [carolmittel@aol.com](mailto:carolmittel@aol.com) /914-337-5700 x 6.

**LUTHERANS LOVE TO LAUGH!** Join many fellow Christians for a delightful evening with the noted humorist Garrison Keillor on **Tuesday, March 9** - a 7:00 p.m. show at C.W. Post College in Nassau County - as a benefit honoring Martin Luther HS (Queen's) 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Our local Thrivent Chapter is paying for a chartered bus for the first 47 guests to register. The bus leaves Concordia College at 5:00 p.m. Order your show tickets at 1-800-745-3000 and THEN contact Thrivent Chapter leader Kevin Cook at home or e-mail [Kevincook@optonline.net](mailto:Kevincook@optonline.net). Free transportation for a terrific show in honor of our superior Lutheran high school! Join us!

**The Senior Center at Lake Isle is planning a 3-day trip to Washington, D.C., March 28-30, 2010**, featuring a special exhibit from China called "Terra Cotta Warriors." Cost for 3 days and 4 meals is \$445/person double occupancy, \$568/single occupancy or \$416/triple occupancy. For a detailed itinerary and further information, contact Norah Rossi Monday thru Friday, 9am-3pm, at 337-0390.

**The Baltimore Lutheran H.S. Choir** will be touring New York from **April 16-18, 2010**, and will be in need of some housing for the evenings of April 16 and 17. Please contact Randy Gast at Concordia College if you are able to help. Randy can be reached at 914-337-9300 x. 2106 or e-mail [randal.gast@concordia-ny.edu](mailto:randal.gast@concordia-ny.edu).

**PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICES**

Assisting Ministers:	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Deacon Ann Terenzio
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Deacon Wendy Haddad
	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	George Pietarinen
Organist:	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Kevin Warnken
	<b>9:00 a.m. &amp; 10:45 a.m.</b>	Deborah Reiss
Lectors:	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Deacon Carol Pfizenmaier
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Charles Eisenberg
	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Morris Mayer
Comm. Assts:	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Deacon Carol Pfizenmaier
	9:00 a.m.	Charles Eisenberg, Mark Blanco
	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Morris Mayer
Youth Wor. Assts:	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Bradly Taylor
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Andrew Snyder
	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Stefanie Introcaso
Ushers:	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Chuck Horvath
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Ralph Schoene, Dan Chao, Robert Waldmann, John Divi
	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Mickie Hover, Carol Raff, Sylvia Essington, Ed Vidal
Altar Guild:	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Deacon Ann Terenzio
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Molly Nagel, Marion Scaramuzzino
	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>	Joan Deery, Joan Condon
Altar Flowers:		Kim Rapillo
Childcare:		Volunteer
Sextons:		Alex Hartwell

**NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP**

*WED., Feb. 17, 2010* 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service  
*SAT., Feb. 20, 2010* 5:30 p.m. Spoken Divine Service  
*SUN., Feb. 21, 2010* 9:00 a.m. Worship Service and Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service and Holy Communion

SERMON: "Beautiful Feet"  
Dr. Robert Hartwell, preaching

LESSONS: Deuteronomy 26:1-11  
Romans 10:8-13  
Luke 4:1-13

**Stewardship Update**

Amount received last week: \$6,720

Amount received to date: \$210,095

Amount needed to date: \$212,320

\$6,635 average weekly need to meet our 09-10 commitment

## **Exodus 34:29-35**

<sup>29</sup>Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2**

<sup>3</sup> <sup>12</sup>Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup>but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are

being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

<sup>4</sup> <sup>1</sup>Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Luke 9:28-36**

<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" – not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**