# First Lutheran Church, Amery A people and a place of grace.



# Welcome to worship!

All are welcomed. All are loved.

Our mission is to know Jesus and to make Jesus known. John 17



First Lutheran Church<br/>PO Box 153 - 240 Elm Street West<br/>Amery, WI 715-268-7135Transfiguration<br/>February 11, 2024<br/>www.flcamery.orgOur mission is to know Jesus and to make Jesus known.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG: 10,000 Reasons

**CONFESSION/FORGIVENESS** 

SONG: Change My Heart

KYRIE - LBW Setting 1 –Spoken

SONG: How Great Is Our God

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, whom with you and the Holy Spirit we worship and praise, one God, now and forever. Amen

2 Kings 2:1-12 Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let

me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

#### SONG: Sing Alleluia to the Lord

**GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-9** Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

## HYMN: Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory......Red 890 APOSTLES' CREED

## CHILDREN COME FORWARD

#### SERMON

HYMN: How Good, Lord to be Here.....Red 315 OFFERING

## PRAYERS

**BLESSING** May God, who lightens all our paths, accompany you on your journey this day and always. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen** 

HYMN: Arise, Your Light Has Come......Red 314 Go in peace. Be light for the world. Thanks be to God!

Ministers: All Members of the Church
<b>Music:</b> Beth Ray, Julie Hanlon-Johnson
Lector: Elaine Meyer
Communion Help

Pastor Tim Bjorge (H) 715-268-5557 Email: flchurchamery@yahoo.com Ushers: Larry & Julie Riemenschneider Acolyte:

Coffee Helpers: Work Group Four

Communion Bread: Elaine Meyer

**PRAYERS:** Shari Johnson, Darnell Dunham, Doug Gunderson, Shane Larkin, Dennis Heiken, Amanda Gates, Mary Stevens, Ally Fox, Darrel Rothe, Jessica Heiden, Ruth Hard, Marlin Swanson, Jim Smith, Mary Ames, Glenn Stevermer, David Mork, Anonymous, Ron Hahn, Kelly Fitzgerald, Jackie Wenzel, Becky Martell, Jim Anderson, Kathy Hetzel, Jon Pankonien (Sharon), Loretta Wittig (Mary Lou), Eloise Heathfield, Marty Rimestad, Dave Knutson (Rasmussen), Sally & Casey Haasnoot, Jason Amans, Patti & Bill Hansen, Tom Gust, Jeanine, Karen Swager, Tracy Viebrock, Diane Salls, Colleen (Marge), Julie DuBois, Kim Hilda, Scott Wolden, Logan Gullickson, Troy Lange. Schools, wars, natural disasters, mental health. **Care facilities:** Lila Ward, Andrew Larsen **Families:** Al Bringewatt, Wrich family, Darlene Schraufnagel (Kathy & Lou), Linda Cords (Tony & Jackie family), Jerry Bjork (Linda T), Keith Millermon, Cathy Hagen **Military:** Jason Werlinger, Chase & Connor Clausen, Kathi Buss, Curtis Williamson, Nick Sorensen, Keilan Mehls, Lexi Boe.

#### FIRST FRUITS GIVING BEYOND FIRST LUTHERAN

Jesus' command is to go out to all nations with the saving love of God. (*Mt.28*) In our 2024 budget, we commit ourselves to giving **\$10,000 to the ELCA** 

and **\$2,000 to Seminary Scholarship**. Please write on your envelopes or memos. Please continually give to these categories until we meet our goals.

LOOSE COINS in our offering go to Northwoods Homeless Shelter.

Please give generously! 2024 Year to Date: ELCA \$743; Seminary \$55

Check out our app. Search store for First Lutheran Amery. Like First Lutheran Church of Amery on Facebook & Instagram to get news & updates. **Online giving is available.** (?-s ask Steve O)

CHURCH IN SOCIETY is collecting SNOWPANTS for the Amery Intermediate School, youth sizes 12-18 and small adult. Place them in the bin in the narthex. Thanks!

SUNDAY 9am Worship 10am Mardi Gras Potluck & Bingo Tuesday 8:30am Property Committee

ASH WEDNESDAY 10am Church in Society 5:30 Supper served by Youth 7pm WORSHIP 7:45pm CHURCH COUNCIL Thursday 8am Bible Study 8:30am Quilters 9:30am Ruth Circle Saturday 9am-2pm Little Dresses for Africa Sew Date @ Peace Lutheran, Dresser Sunday 9am Worship 10am Coffee, Sunday School, Choir <u>2pm Luther Pt Annual Meeting</u>



Men in Mission Scrip will be sold in the office during the week and in the Narthex on Sunday mornings.

#### Happy Birthday

11 Maddyline Ziemer 12 Gwen Wold 13 Nic White, Kathy Williamson 14 Mateo Aizpurua, Steve Osero, Jordan Wold 15 Derrick Meyer, Debbie Vincelli 16 Larry Riemenschneider

#### Happy Anniversary

14 Larry & Julie Riemenschneider (36 years) 15 Doug & Bev Gunderson (60 years)