

# Our Saviour's Lutheran Church April, 2023 Newsletter

# **LCMC**

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

"Knowing Jesus, Growing in Jesus, Sharing Jesus"

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# EASTER BREAKFAST—April 9<sup>th</sup> (After sunrise service-8:30 a.m.)

Thank you to those who have signed up to help with the Easter Breakfast! If you would be willing to help set up, serve or clean up, please contact Raydene Mathisen or the church office.

# **UPCOMING WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

March 22<sup>nd</sup>, March 29<sup>th</sup>

6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Lent Suppers & 7:00 p.m. Lent Wednesday Worship

April 2<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 a.m. Palm Sunday/Children's Palm Processional
The Rock Youth Group "This Blood" presentation

April 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion

April 7<sup>th</sup> 12:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship

Prayer Vigil Noon to Noon (sign up sheet on the bulletin board)

April 9<sup>th</sup>

6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Worship with Holy Communion
Easter Breakfast (following sunrise service serving until 8:30 a.m.)
9:00 a.m. Easter Worship with Holy Communion
April 30<sup>th</sup>—9:00 a.m. Worship with celebration of Confirmation
May 7<sup>th</sup>—9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship with Recognition of Graduating Seniors

## **MEALS ON WHEELS**

OSLC is responsible for "Meals on Wheels" for the month of April! Volunteers are still needed, sign up on the bulletin board above the water fountain! Thank You to all who have signed up!



Confirmation will be celebrated at OSLC on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations and God's blessing
to the following Confirmands:

Cooper Anderson Macey Bauer Adelyn Bladt Karson Hansen Maya King Karter Obermeier Kayden Otten Jesse Stroeher Garret Vorm

#### TIME

"they sat on the ground with him for seven days and seven nights." – Job 2:13

I learned something this past weekend. Its not like I didn't know it already. I know, like you do, it is important to spend time with people. And yet, since we often need to be reminded of this truth, goodness and power of presence, there must be some distinction between knowing and believing.

I went to a family funeral. The deceased was a relative of one of my relatives. They were close. I spent time with my grieving relatives, extra time, not just at the funeral, but after. We chatted, watched basketball, played cards, ate meals. We talked only a little about the deceased relative, or grief, or the funeral. We just were together. When I left and came back home, I reflected on how much joy, encouragement and comfort came to my relatives, not from words, but simply, from time together.

Maybe April is a time when you start thinking about summer plans, trips, adventures, outings. Be sure some of those plans include the destination - time with beloved relatives and friends. Presence is powerfully healthy for your soul and theirs.

Pastor Dan

#### PRAYER VIGIL

From ancient times people of God have gathered to keep watch with Jesus during the hours he was entombed. We will make a similar effort this Holy Week.



Our prayer vigil begins Good Friday with a 12:15 p.m.
Good Friday Worship. We will continue with half hour time slots beginning at 1:00 p.m. through Holy Saturday at noon in the Chapel.
Some devotionals and reading materials will be available.
You can sign up in clusters or individually.
Here is the goal; 24 hours of continuous prayer!

#### CHURCH LIBRARY BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Check out the books of the month on table by coat area. We will rotate books monthly. Check out the many other Christian books in the church library. Questions, talk to church librarian Joan Mortensen or the church office. If you have a request for a Christian book for the library, contact the church office!

## "STELLAR" BIBLE SCHOOL



Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup>-Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

#### LENTEN SUPPERS

Lenten suppers will be
March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>
from 6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Join in for this time of fellowship,
everyone is welcome!

Thank you to the groups/individuals
who are cooking and
serving the meals!



#### 'THE ROCK' YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITES

Watch Facebook/texts for youth group activities! Facebook: The Rock OSLC

#### High School Youth Group

April 16<sup>rd</sup> & April 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. @ OSLC **Fellowship of Christian Wheelers** 

April 2<sup>nd</sup> & April 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. @ Rec Center

# **April Junior High "The Rock" Youth Group**

April 16<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. Supper served for 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade at 6:30 p.m.

"JESUS REVOLUTION" Movie at the Rose Theater

Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m., FREE for all 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade students "THIS BLOOD" will be reenacted on Palm Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> during worship.

Please contact coordinator Megan Kjergaard or the church office to be a part of this.

Questions on The Rock youth events, contact Youth Group Leaders Nate V. (712-304-0548), Dan B. (319-929-1290), Jacob S. (712-304-4400) or church office!

# SPRING MAINTENANCE DAY Saturday, April 1 @ 8:00 a.m.

Breakfast pizza, donuts, coffee & juice will be served! Organized by the Building & Property Committee and Custodians. Come when you can, leave when you need. Projects may be done on your own time! If you cannot be here on April 1<sup>st</sup>, a sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board and you may work on projects before the Maintenance Day!

#### **IGNITE YOUTH CONFERENCE UPDATE**

Praise God for the 27 youth and adults who attended the Ignite Youth Conference at Grace Church in Des Moines!! The theme was *Faith*. It was an amazing opportunity for these youth/adults to grow in faith & leadership skills through worship, prayer, music, break out sessions, and fellowship! Thank you to OSLC for your continued support of the OSLC youth programs!



#### MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND UPDATE

Meals from the Heartland packing day will be held on March 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m.-noon at the Audubon Rec. Center. We have been blessed by the amount of support and help from our church family and community.

There are still a few spots available to pack so if you are interested, sign up through the link on the church facebook page or contact Allie Brooks (641-757-0676), Katie Bierbrodt (712-304-4033) or the church office.

For more information about Meals from the Heartland, visit their website: mealsfromtheheartland.org

#### SURVEY STATEMENT

In October 2021 members of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church were asked to participate in a survey. It has come to our attention the results have not been published. This survey was completed by 83 members. The Council has reviewed the survey results, and based on the small sample size, the data provides no clear direction for any action to be taken.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Palm Sunday 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Holy Communion with "BTC" 10:15 Coffee, SS/Confirmation, Choir 6:30 High School Fellowship of Christian Wheelers	Job 11	4 9:00 Women's Bible Study	5 6:15 am Men's Huddle with breakfast 9:30 Caring & Sharing 2:30 Kid's Choir	6 7:00 Maundy Thursday Holy Communion Worship  MAUNDY THURSDAY  Job 14	7 Noon-Noon Prayer Vigil 12:15 Good Friday Worship 7:00 Good Friday Worship  GOOD FRIDAY  Job 15	1 8:00 Spring Clean Up Day  Job 9  8  Job 16
9 Easter Sunday 6:30 Easter Sunrise Worship 7:30 Easter Breakfast 9:00 Easter Worship 1:30 Audubon County Pastoral Jail Visit  HAPPY EASTER  Job 17	10 1:00 Quilting 6:30 Bible Study at Terrill & Mary Jo Burger's	9:00 Women's Bible Study  Job 19	12 6:15 am Men's Huddle with breakfast 10:00 Women at the Well Bible Study (at the Bakery) 2:30 Kid's Choir 5:30 Men's Huddle	13 10:30 Friendship Home Communion	14 Pastor Day off  Job 22	Job 23
16 Second Sunday of Easter 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Holy Communion 10:15 Coffee, Sunday School/Confirmation, Choir 11:15 "BTC" Praise Band Practice 5:30 JH Youth Group 6:30 Supper for 7-12 Grade 7:00 HS Youth Group Job 24	17 6:30 Building & Property Committee Meeting  Job 25	18 9:00 Women's Bible Study	19 6:15 am Men's Huddle with breakfast 2:30 Kid's Choir 5:30 Men's Huddle 6:00 Church Council Meeting	20 Newsletter Deadline  Job 28	21 Pastor Day off  Job 29	9:00 Rolling Hills Choir rehearsal  Job 30
23 Third Sunday of Easter 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship with "BTC" Praise Band with Sunday School celebration 10:15 Coffee, SS, Confirmation, Choir 3:00 Rolling Hills Choir Concert 4:00 Friendship Home Vespers (led by Lee Nielsen) 6:30 High School Fellowship of Christian Wheelers Job 31	24 1:00 Quilting 6:30 Bible Study at Terrill & Mary Jo Burger's	25 9:00 Women's Bible Study	26 6:15 am Men's Huddle with breakfast 10:00 Women at the Well Bible Study (at the Bakery) 2:30 Kid's Choir Celebration 2:30 Confirmation (8th Grade only) 5:30 Men's Huddle  Job 34	Job 35	28 Pastor Day off  Job 36	Job 37
30 Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:00 Confirmation Pictures 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship-Confirmation Sunday 10:15 Coffee, SS, Confirmation, Choir 7:00 HS Youth Group						Upril 1



#### **EASTER EGG MUM**

Would you like to sponsor an Easter Egg mum to adorn our sanctuary on Easter morning? Each Easter Egg Mum is \$17.50. You may take your sponsored mum home after the 9:00 a.m. Easter Sunday worship service. Look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board above the water fountain or contact the church office.

#### EASTER MORNING 9:00 A.M. INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE

It's so uplifting to hear the instrumental ensemble at the 9:00 a.m. Easter morning service as we sing "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"! We are in need of musicians, junior high age on up to play in this ensemble. Please contact Gary Keller or the church office if you are interested.

A brief rehearsal is held at 8:15 a.m. in the sanctuary on Easter morning.



#### **ACOLYTES**

- 2- Jesse Stroeher Lucas Stroeher
- 6- Karli Burger
- Bryli Petersen
- 7- Mason Kasperbauer Aiden Kjergaard
- 9–6:30 Adelyn Bladt
  - Garret Vorm
- 9-9:00 Karson Hansen Maya King
- 16- Kayden Otten Cooper Anderson
- 23- Macey Bauer Jesse Stroeher
- 30- Kodi Lansman Leyton Elmquist

# **SOUND**

- 2- Logan Nielsen
- 6- Volunteer needed
- 7- Chris Bylund
- 9-6:30 Chris Bylund 9-9:00 *Volunteer needed*
- 16- Allie Brooks
- 23- Volunteer needed
- 30- Volunteer needed

### **PROJECTION**

- 2- Curtis Derry
- 6- Volunteer needed
- 7- Chris Bylund 9-6:30 Chris Bylund
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- 16- Traci Irlmeier
- 10- Haci Hillele
- 23- Allie Brooks30- *Volunteer needed*

### **VIDEO/STREAMING**

- 2- Volunteer needed
- 6- Volunteer needed
- 7- Chris Bylund
- 9-6:30 Chris Bylund
- 9-9:00 Volunteer needed
- 16- Chris Bylund 23- Volunteer need
- 23- Volunteer needed30- Volunteer needed

### **USHERS**

- Carson Vorm, Captain
- Curtis Derry
- Tim Andersen
- Sam Graeve
- Logan Nielsen
- Lee Nielsen
- Nick Smith
- Nate Vorm

# **ALTAR GUILD**

Jolene Burns Lois Baier

# **COFFEE SERVERS**

- 2- Barb Jacobsen
  Mary Anne Pomeroy
- 16- Diana Deist
  - Barb Smith
- 23- Jolene Burns Dawn Price Barclay
- 30- Evangelism Committee

# JUNIOR HIGH SS PARENT

- 2- Nate King
- 16- Amie Walkup
- 23- Nate King
- 30- Volunteer needed

# <u>GREETERS</u>

- 2- Barry & Lois Eldal 6- Evangelism Commi
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- 9- Evangelism Committee
- 16- Don & Janice Andersen
- 23- Gary & Marlene Englin
- 30- Rod & Tracy Hansen

#### MARCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- \*Motion made, second and passed to be Co-Sponsors for CGM Global Mission. We will participate prior to the Annual LCMC Gathering in October. Bill Moberly gave us a grateful thank you.
- \*Financial News from the OSLC Treasurer: it is early in the year but we are above our budget income by \$4,200.00, budgeted expenses are under by \$1,206.00. The Treasurer will renew a CD that will come due in April.
- \*The Van is here and currently being given a check up. All things look great, an announcement to the congregation is forth coming.
- \*The church directory is nearly ready to send to the company. The company will in-turn send it back for proof. We can expect at least 60 days after proof approval before they are here for distribution. \*Spring Clean Up at OSLC is April 1. There are sign up sheets on the bulletin board.
- \*A Benevolent gift of \$1,000.00 will be given to help a family who has experienced Sewer backup that has rendered their home unlivable.
- \*Motion made, second and passed to buy a new mixing sound board, paid through Memorial Funds.



#### **APRIL SPONSORED ALTAR FLOWERS**

Altar Flowers are \$22 payable to the church office. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, contact the church office or sign up on the flower chart posted on the bulletin board at OSLC.

2 & 9-No altar flowers 16-Greg & Lois Baier 23-Mike & Allie Brooks 30-Jeff & Chelle Madsen



Stewardship Square						
Regular offerings	02/19	\$3,184.37				
	02/26	\$4,637.56				
	03/01	\$112.00				
	03/05	\$6,031.74				
	03/08	\$99.00				
	03/12	\$8,134.38				
	03/15	\$145.00				
Weekly Worship	02/19	130				
Attendance	02/26	126				
	03/01	70				
	03/05	110				
	03/08	57				
	03/12	86				
	03/15	71				
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# **ONLINE GIVING**

Go to

http://oslcauduboniowa.org
and click on online giving tab located
at the upper right hand corner
of the webpage.

# **GIVEPLUS+MOBILE**

Go to the App store or Google Play and search for "GivePlus Church" to download for free.

# **GIVE PLUS+TEXT**

Text 833-973-0220, and enter the amount you wish to donate, and press send.

If you have any questions regarding the OSLC financial report, you are welcome to contact Office Manager Pam Steckler or Council Treasurer Tammy Sauers.

Needed Weekly to meet budget—\$6,798.19