

The Announcer
April 21, 2024



Seminary Graduate: We have gotten the message that Our Savior will be receiving a seminary graduate to be our pastor! We will have more information on who he is after the “Candidate Call Service” on Wednesday, April 24th, which will be live-streamed at 6:00 pm. Please watch the live-stream here: <https://ctsfw.regfox.com/2024-candidate-call-service>. A big thank you to the Call Committee for all their hard work over the past year. And thank you to everyone who attended the Special Voter’s meetings and prayed for our congregation and for our future pastor. God is good!

Mark your Calendars! Vacation Bible School will be held the week of June 3rd – 7th from 9 am - noon. The theme this year is “Celebrate the Savior – Jesus Gives us Joy” and is open to kids ages 3-years-old thru completed 6th grade. It is open to our church members and family, as well as the public. We are looking for volunteers to assist with teaching, snacks, crafts, music, recreation, etc. A sign-up sheet for volunteers, as well as registration forms, have been placed on the guest registry table. Please prayerfully consider volunteering, even if you are only available for a day or two. If anyone has any “carnival” related items that we could use for decorating, please leave them in the Hall Classroom. Please contact Sara in the church office if you have any questions.



Quarterly Voter’s Meeting: The first quarter voter’s meeting will be held TODAY, Sunday, April 21st following the worship service (approximately 9:15 am). If you are a confirmed member of this congregation, you are eligible to become a voting member. All you need to do is attend a meeting and request a voting membership. Please plan to join us!

Sunday School/Adult Bible Class will be cancelled TODAY, Sunday, April 21st due to the quarterly voter’s meeting which will be held during the Christian education hour. Thanks!



Our Savior Tumblers: The Our Savior Relay for Life team is selling OSLC tumblers after the worship services in the Narthex. The tumblers come in many different colors which represent the different types of cancer, or you can just choose a color you like. They have certain colors in stock, or you can order different colors too. The price is \$22. Thank you for your support!

Church Properties Contact Person for April is Ed (563-920-6775). Please contact him with any items that need the attention of the Board.



Birthdays this week: April 22: Dixie; **April 23:** Kolette; Tori; Joey; **April 24:** Sydney.

Wedding anniversaries this week: April 22: Dean & Janet Rieck.

The April - June edition of the *Portals of Prayer* are available on the guest registry table. Please take a copy.

Confirmation Public Exam: The two confirmands (Evan and Kyla) will have their confirmation public exam on Wednesday, May 8th at 5:00 pm. The congregation is welcome to attend and listen to them answer questions on what they have learned in confirmation.



Spring Cleaning Duties have been emailed out and also placed in everyone’s mailboxes. If you are the head of your area, please contact everyone on your list regarding completing the duties. All cleaning must be finished by Confirmation Sunday, May 12th. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanette. Thanks for taking time out of your schedule to help keep our church and facilities clean and beautiful!

RMC Nurse Career Camp will be held July 29th – August 2nd from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at Regional Medical Center. Students must be 14-18 years old, and must have completed 8th grade. This camp offers a unique opportunity to learn about the nursing career through interactive presentations and hands-on learning. Activities will include interacting with a simulation manikin, job shadowing on various units, learning first aid, learning to take vital signs, practicing suturing, and much more! If you are interested in learning more about nursing, this camp is for you. Contact Lynne Majestic at 563-927-7684 to register before June 17th.



Scrip cards are a wonderful way to support the youth of our congregation. The next youth gathering will be in July 2025 in New Orleans, and it’s never too early to start raising funds for this amazing trip. There are lots of different scrip cards on-hand and they make great gifts as well as regular “shopping” cards for groceries, fuel, and other items. Did you know that if most members purchased cards throughout the year for their regular shopping (Kwik Star, Walmart, Fareway, etc.) that the youth would raise enough money to cover their trip??

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, April 21:	8:00 am	Worship
	9:15 am	First Quarter Voter's Meeting
MONDAY, April 22:	6:30-7:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
TUESDAY, April 23:	9:15-11:00 am	Ladies tie quilts for LWR – Hall Classroom
	11:00 am-1:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
WEDNESDAY, April 24:	5:00 pm	Confirmation Class
	7:00 pm	Senior ACTs
THURSDAY, April 25:	9:00 am	Bible Study, St. Paul's, Delaware
NEXT SUNDAY, April 28:	8:00 am	Worship/Communion
	9:00 am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class

The Lutheran Hour: "We Can't Stop Talking" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus calls His followers to undergo transformation, endure opposition, and engage others in conversation. (Acts 4:20). Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

Generosity Moment: 1 John 3:2 – "Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is." This is the essence of our sanctification: becoming like our Lord. As St. John notes, this will only be completed in the Resurrection. But until then, we are called to trust His grace and to grow into His image more and more.

Mission News: The LCMS has 38 partner churches around the world. A partner church is a church body with which the LCMS has full altar and pulpit fellowship. Many LCMS partner churches also are members of the International Lutheran Council, a worldwide association of confessional Lutheran church bodies. Some LCMS partner churches came into existence through LCMS-supported mission efforts, while others have historic roots that pre-date the LCMS or that are sourced in the mission efforts of other Lutheran church bodies. *Remember God's work through LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces (MAF) as you pray for those who suffer from battle stress and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. Pray that God would bring healing and renewal to those who have served or who are currently serving.*

Life Quote: "Scripture and prayer are our strongest weapons to change hearts, and we must persist and never give up, no matter how disappointing things get with evil laws being enacted or evil intent coming our way." *Virginia Flo, Director of Volunteer Relations, Lutherans For Life ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Easter IV – The joy that comes from the risen Christ cannot be taken away (John 16:22). This is not a feel-good happiness dependent upon circumstances. It is a fruit of Christ's Spirit, the joy of our salvation in Christ that circumstances cannot change or diminish. Many of the life issues we deal with today are "joy robbers" and present opportunities to share the joy of the resurrection. *Gracious Savior, fill my words with the comfort and hope of resurrection to everlasting life with You. Amen.*

Building Healthy Families: Your mom wants to stay in her own home and wants you to stop worrying about her. You want her to be happy, but you worry about her living alone as she ages. Sound familiar? A recent AARP survey found that staying at home as long as possible is a stated goal for 95% of people age 75 and older. Be creative and seek mutually agreeable solutions which make staying at home safe as long as possible; be brave and respectful and have conversations about options before a move is needed. Find helpful ideas and resources at <https://www.nia.nih.gov/health/aging-place/aging-place-growing-older-home> or invite a counselor from LFS out to speak to a group in your church or community about this important topic! **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org

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