

The Announcer
April 2, 2023



Congratulations and God's blessings to our confirmands: Rylee, Nicholas, Hayden, and John. We welcome you into the communicant membership of Our Savior Lutheran Church. May God be with you, bless you, and keep you strong in the faith as you affirm your baptisms today.



~Holy Week Worship Schedule~

Maundy Thursday, April 6:	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Holy Communion (Our Savior)
Good Friday, April 7:	1:00 pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service (St. Paul's, Delaware)
	7:00 pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service (Our Savior)
Easter Sunday, April 9:	8:00 am	Early Easter Service led by Senior ACTs members (Our Savior)
<i>(No Sunday School/ABC)</i>	8:45-9:45 am	Easter Breakfast hosted by Senior ACTs (Our Savior)
	10:00 am	Resurrection of Our Lord Worship Service with Holy Communion (Our Savior)



Pastoral Search Committee Updates: The committee will keep the congregation informed as they continue the call process for a new pastor. If you have any concerns or questions, please let Sara know. Thank you for the continued prayers as we navigate this process.



Easter Lily Sign-up Sheet is on the guest registry table. The suggested donation is \$23 and the deadline to sign-up is **TODAY**, Sunday, April 2nd (Palm Sunday). You can place your donation appropriately marked in the offering plate. Thanks!

Confirmation and Easter Cards are available for purchase from the cabinet in the Narthex. All cards are \$1 each. Thank you for supporting the Women of Our Savior.



Farewell Potluck: Pastor's last Sunday at Our Savior will be April 16th. We will have a congregational potluck following the worship service. Please bring 2 dishes to share. Drinks will be provided. We hope you can join us for a time of fellowship and to wish farewell to Pastor and Darla!

Scholarship Applications for students who will be in college during the 2023/2024 school year are due by **TODAY**, Sunday, April 2nd. Please place your application in the Church Office mailbox. Thank you!



Easter Breakfast Fundraiser: The Senior ACTs will also be having their sunrise Easter worship service at 8:00 am with a breakfast fundraiser following the service from 8:45-9:45 am. Stay tuned for more details.

Parish Planning Committee will meet Thursday, April 13th at 6:00 pm. The meeting has been pushed back one week as April 6th is Maundy Thursday. We hope to see you then!



Quarterly Voter's Meeting Date Change: The April quarterly voter's meeting was scheduled for Sunday, April 16th. Since that is also the same day as Pastor & Darla's farewell potluck, we are moving the voter's meeting to the next Sunday, April 23rd, following the worship service (approximately 11:15 am). If you are a confirmed member of this congregation, you are eligible to become a voting member. All you have to do is attend a meeting and request a voting membership. Please plan to join us!

Thank you my Our Savior family for all your greetings for my birthday. Words cannot express how nice it was to be remembered by so many of you. God bless you always. ~Vera



Take Away Hunger Update: We are still looking for **\$500** to cover the cost of the materials and we will have another door offering after the worship service. You can donate cash or make checks payable to "Take Away Hunger". Thank you for your support!

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



Birthdays this week: April 6: Rusty; **April 7:** Val.

Wedding anniversaries this week: April 5: Dr. Tim & Tricia.

Church Properties Contact Person for March is Dave (563-920-4669). Please contact him with any items that need the attention of the Board.

Clothing Items to be donated to Camp Courageous are in a box under the Community Events window boxes. The women's black jacket and kid's sweatshirts were found in the entry area. Please claim any items that are yours before Thursday, April 6th as they will be donated that day. Thanks!



Quilting Materials Needed: The ladies who tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief are looking for more cotton fabric. Old sheets also work as long as they are cotton and in good condition. You can leave the fabric on the tables in the Hall Classroom. Thank you!

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, April 2:	8:45 am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship/Communion – Confirmation/Palm Sunday
	11:00 am-4:00 pm	Fellowship Hall reserved
	11:00 am-3:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	5:30-7:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
MONDAY, April 3:	6:00-9:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
TUESDAY, April 4:	9:00 am-1:00 pm	Pastor at Winkel
	2:00-3:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	6:00 pm	Women of Our Savior
WEDNESDAY, April 5:	1:30-3:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	7:00 pm	Senior ACTs – SONshine Center
THURSDAY, April 6:	9:00-10:00 am	Bible Study, St. Paul's, Delaware
	2:00-3:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	5:30-7:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship/Communion
FRIDAY, April 7:	1:00 pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Worship (St. Paul's)
	7:00 pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Worship (Our Savior)
NEXT SUNDAY, April 9:	8:00 am	Early Easter Worship Service
	8:45-9:45 am	Easter Breakfast Fundraiser (Senior ACTs)
	10:00 am	Resurrection of Our Lord Worship/Communion

The Lutheran Hour: "He Is Risen, Indeed" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Christ's resurrection affects everyone—even those who don't believe it happened. (Matthew 28). Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

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 to strengthen the faith of His people as you pray for Christian families, that the Lord would provide the assistance and tools necessary to overcome every challenge – big or small – that might drive them apart.*

Generosity Moment: Matthew 21:3 – "If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." Did Jesus really *need* the donkey? If the man had refused to give the donkey would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this donkey and foal! It is likewise with us. The Lord needs none of us, but what an honor it is for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His Church.

Life Quote: “As you travel with Jesus through Holy Week, don’t lose heart. He is your Palm Sunday King. He will always come to you and give you the best of what He has to offer because of His humble attitude and His devotion to His mission. When you see this Savior who personally cares for you, you can’t help but join the believers of old to give to the Lord your best and most precious treasures of your heart and life, and then to join with all believers saying, ‘Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!’” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Palm Sunday – Every tongue must and shall confess Jesus and not ourselves as Lord over death and life (Philippians 2:11). When offered gall to accelerate His own dying, the Savior declined, even in His terminal condition (Matthew 27:34). We also may commend ourselves and our neighbors into the Heavenly Father’s loving hands as days draw to their ends.

Building Healthy Families: Listen to the news on any given evening and you will be inundated with accounts of terrible things happening, both locally and around the world. Hearing bad news every day can cause you to become anxious and hopeless. Consider taking a week-long “news holiday” by turning off the TV and computer. Use your new-found free time to read and memorize Scripture. When you commit Jesus’ words to memory, you will be able to recall them whenever you hear bad news: “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org