

*The Announcer*  
May 5, 2024



**We are excited to announce** our new pastor, Candidate Isaiah Armbrecht, and his wife, Audrey! He grew up in Williamsburg, Iowa, and attended St. John Lutheran Church. He was unable to attend the Call Day Ceremony on April 24<sup>th</sup> because he and his wife were having their first baby! We are so blessed to be receiving him as our pastor, as well as his wife Audrey, and their new baby, Malachi. Please keep them in your prayers as he is finishing his last few weeks of seminary school. We will share more information as we find out. God is so good!

**Mark your Calendars!** Vacation Bible School will be held the week of **June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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, you can leave them in the Hall Classroom labeled with your name. Please contact Sara in the church office if you have any questions. You can place completed registration forms in the Church Office mailbox.



**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!

**Confirmation Public Exam:** The two confirmands (Evan and Kyla) will have their confirmation public exam on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm. The congregation is welcome to attend and listen to them answer questions on what they have learned in confirmation. They will be confirmed on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>.



**High School & College Graduates:** Parents, please check your email if you have a graduating high school or college student. A form has been emailed for you to please fill out and put in the Church Office mailbox or email to Sara by Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. (If you want a paper copy of the form, please let Sara know.) The graduate’s information will be published in the Announcer on graduation Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks!

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



**Greeting Cards for Sale:** There is a large selection of Christian graduation cards as well as confirmation cards for sale in the card cabinet in the Narthex. All cards are \$1.00 each. There are also birthday, wedding, anniversary, baptism, get well, etc... cards for sale. Thank you for supporting the Women of Our Savior!

**Pictures Needed for Senior Slide Show:** If anyone has any old pictures of any of our seniors (Taylor, Samantha, Ellen, Chloe, Claire, and Zachary) from past church activities (VBS, Sunday school, Junior or Senior ACTs, youth gathering, etc.) please email them to Gretchen (gwenger97@gmail.com) by May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you!



**Birthdays this week: May 9:** Chad; **May 10:** Kyla; **May 11:** Tamryn;

**Wedding anniversaries this week: May 6:** Jeremy & Vicki.

**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 12<sup>th</sup>. 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!

**Final Day of Sunday School/Adult Bible Class** will be Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. We will recognize the Sunday school children’s perfect/faithful attendance and memory work completion, as well as the high school seniors, which will include a senior slide show. Most likely this recognition will be at the end of the worship service so Pastor Schewe can get to Monticello on time for his next service. I would like to thank all the Sunday school teachers (Jim, Karla, Kayla, and Stephanie), Dave for leading the Adult Bible Class, and Pastor Schewe for leading the combined 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation class! Your hard work and dedication is very much appreciated!

## This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

<b>TODAY, May 5:</b>	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	1:00-5:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
<b>TUESDAY, May 7:</b>	4:00-5:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	6:00 pm	Women of Our Savior
	<b>WEDNESDAY, May 8:</b>	5:00 pm
	6:00 pm	Lay Ministry Board
	7:00 pm	Senior ACTs
<b>THURSDAY, May 9:</b>	9:00 am	Bible Study, St. Paul's, Delaware
	5:30-7:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
<b>SATURDAY, May 11:</b>	7:30 am	Men's Bible Study – SSC reserved
<b>NEXT SUNDAY, May 12:</b>	8:00 am	Worship/Communion/Confirmation Sunday
	9:00 am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	10:00 am-1:00 pm	Fellowship Hall reserved



**RMC is excited to offer the Lab Career Camp, "Without the Lab, They're Only Guessing"** for students ages 14-18 who have completed 8th grade. This camp offers a unique opportunity to learn about a laboratory career through interactive presentations and hands-on learning. June 10-13 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Regional Medical Center (students must be available to meet each day for the entire time). The cost is \$25 per student, payable the first day of camp. You can bring a sack lunch or you can purchase lunch from the public cafeteria. Class size is limited so please call Ann Wilson Grant at 563-927-7489 before May 13<sup>th</sup> to register.



**Operation Christmas Child Fundraiser:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "Homemade & Homegrown Sale" will be held Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:00 am at 308 S. Wayne Street in Manchester. There will be plants (perennials and houseplants), crafts, and baked goods for sale. All proceeds go to support the shipping costs for Operation Christmas Child. Thanks for your support of this important ministry!

**The Lutheran Hour: "Unforecastable"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. It's been said that God's call often comes as a surprise. In Acts 9, we meet three men who found themselves called in ways they could neither forecast nor control. (Acts 9:31). Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

**Generosity Moment: 1 Timothy 2:5-6** – "For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all." To be ransomed is to be bought back, to be purchased. We belong to God fair and square, not only because He created us, but now doubly so because we are ransomed. We belong to God: that's the beginning of thankfulness and generosity.

**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 missionaries on home service as you pray for missionary families. Pray that God would give them emotional, physical, and spiritual strength as they travel, share with supporters, and meet new friends.*

**Life Quote:** "The Ascension assures us that Jesus has finished His work of salvation and now rules ALL things in this world for the good of His Kingdom and His Church: that is, you and me! What is Christ's goal that the song highlights? Jesus wants His Body, us, to be with Him where He is in paradise, in heaven." *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

**Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Easter VI** – Paul encourages Timothy, "Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus" (2 Timothy 2:3). Sharing in the suffering of Christ sometimes comes when we share Christ and apply His Word of Life to spiritual issues that are also controversial. But faithfulness to the truth means to "endure everything for the sake of the elect" (2:10). *Faithful Lord, permit me to share You in the sufferings of my neighbors as You share in all my own. Amen.*

**Building Healthy Families:** Would your mother or father qualify to be in the “Perfect Parents Hall of Fame”? Wait, is there such a thing as a “perfect” parent? Obviously, no. But amazing Christian parents for whom we’re eternally thankful? You bet! This year, from Mother’s Day through Father’s Day, you’re invited to publicly celebrate and honor your (nearly) perfect parents! Starting this week we’ll be accepting and sharing stories (including sentimental, faith-building, life-impacting, and funny ones) and images of our near-perfect parents. If your parents are no longer living but transferred on to heaven, you can still remember and celebrate them. Learn more and hear other people’s stories on Lutheran Family Service’s Facebook ([www.facebook.com/lutheranfamilyservice](http://www.facebook.com/lutheranfamilyservice)) or Instagram page (@lutheranfamilyservice). **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

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*Student Intern Counselor - Lutheran Family Services*

REV. DR. JAMES LAMB

*Life Advocate - Lutheran Family Services*

**Saturday, May 18th. 1-4 PM**

St Paul’s Lutheran Church, 200 4th St. Delaware, IA 52036

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