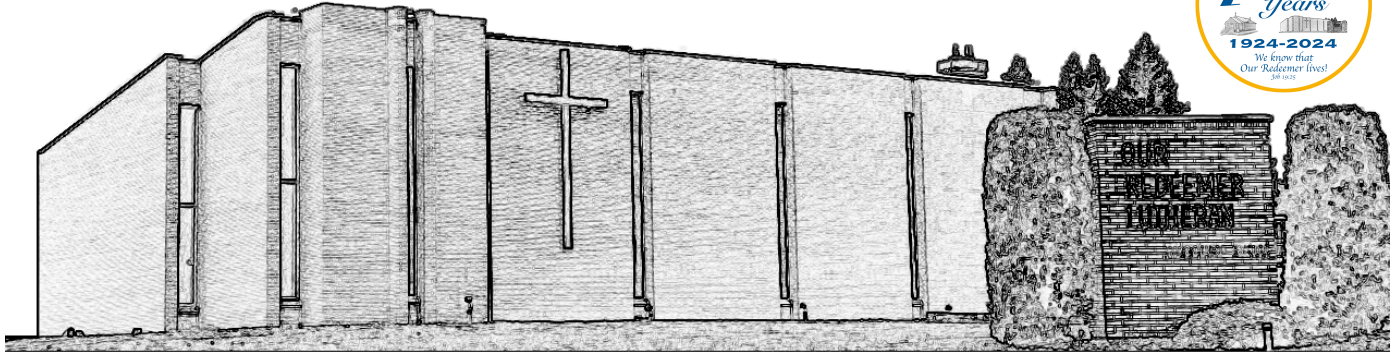


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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" (Psalm 122:1, ESV)

In the city of Jerusalem where David reigned as king, atop a mount called "Zion," was the tabernacle...a tent where the worship of Israel was conducted by the service of the priests and Levites. That worship held a special promise that had been made to Moses in the book of Exodus and was long after David expressed by the prophet Habakkuk: "The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him." (Habakkuk 2:20, ESV)

The Lord God is a God who has a house. He's a God who can be found. He's a God who dwells with His people.

At the end of March, we will once again celebrate The Resurrection of Our Lord, commonly known as "Easter." We will fill the house of God with "Alleluias" and do so in the confidence that God is among us.

Furthermore, we will do with the confidence and conviction that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. He lives, triumphant over the grave to fill us with the hope and promise that because He lives, we shall live also. Until that day when He raises us to life to live with Him for eternity, we know that He is

found here...in this place...where He comes to us in His Word and His Sacraments.

The great Lutheran hymnwriter, Paul Gerhardt, writes in an Easter hymn, "Awake, my heart, with gladness, see what today is done; now, after gloom and sadness, comes forth the glorious sun." Our gladness is that the darkness of sin and death has been dispelled by the victory of Jesus over the grave. Our gladness is that this risen Jesus is here in the house of the Lord.

Consider this your yearly invitation and reminder to share in the gladness of David, of the hymnwriter, and of all the Church by "going to the house of the Lord." Jesus is risen. He is risen, indeed!" One of our Christmas hymns sings, "Let our gladness have no end!" This Easter, our hearts awaken with "gladness" that the risen Lord is in His house!

In Christ our Lord,



Pastor Ruesch



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. Divine Service
10:30 A.M. Bible Study, Sunday School, & Youth Group

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

5:30 P.M. Catechism Vespers
7:00 P.M. Divine Service

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“But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.” (1 Corinthians 15:20, ESV)

2024 Services of Holy Week

Sunday, March 24th

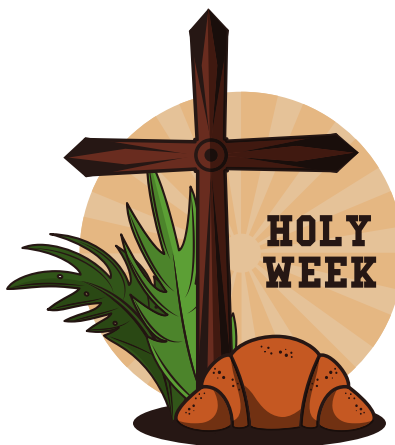
Palm Sunday with Procession of Palms
9:00 A.M. Divine Service

Thursday, March 28th

Holy Thursday
7:00 P.M. Divine Service

Friday, March 29th

Good Friday
1:00 P.M. Tenebrae Vespers



The Resurrection of Our Lord

Sunday, March 31st

6:30 A.M. Easter Sunrise Divine Service
7:30 A.M. Easter Breakfast
9:00 A.M. Divine Service

OFFICIAL ACTS

BAPTISMS

- Garrus Koehler 2/4/2024

AFFIRMATION OF FATIH

ADULT CONFIRMATION

FUNERAL

- Pauline Lemke 2/1/2024

FIRST COMMUNION

ADDED TO MEMBERSHIP

TRANSFERS IN

TRANSFERS OUT

RELEASES

ATTENDANCE

TOTALS

FEBRUARY 4th	86
FEBRUARY 7th	9
FEBRUARY 11th	100
FEBRUARY 14th	69
FEBRUARY 18th	109
FEBRUARY 21st	32
FEBRUARY 25th	72
FEBRUARY 28th	26



MARCH

Join Us for Our Remaining 2024 Midweek Lent Suppers & Services

Wednesday, March 6th

6:00 P.M. Supper (*hosted by the Men's Group*)

7:00 P.M. Service - "Jesus Died"

Wednesday, March 13th

6:00 P.M. Supper (*hosted by the Board of Elders*)

7:00 P.M. Service - "Jesus Was Buried"

Wednesday, March 20th

6:00 Supper (*Congregational Potluck*)

7:00 P.M. Service - "Jesus Descended into Hell"



Check out The Cure on Facebook or on their website for ways to get involved!

For more information or to register go to
www.YouMatterTour.org

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

5th Gary B.
6th Jack B.
7th Brian R.
7th Kolton H.
12th Paula B.
12th Jeremiah W.
13th Kim M.
15th Heather B.
16th Logan F.
16th William G.
20th Jade P.
20th Bella M.
21st Brianna L.
21st Mark M.

ANNIVERSARIES

7th Jeremy & Kristine P.
17th Rob & Vicki K.

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LWML RECAP & INFO.

"The season of lent has officially began, which means the celebration of Easter is right around the corner, along with the official start of spring!" By Suzanne Killian

Ladies of LWML were pleased to serve Ash Wednesday supper for lent with barbeque, soups and desserts. Wonderful attendance and lots of fellowship prior to Ash Wednesday service. Being Valentine's Day it was wonderful sharing God's love with our fellow believers.

Hopefully our members will continue to enjoy suppers prior to Lenten Services and prepare their hearts for our Lords crucifixion, death, and resurrection, proving His love for us.

Also the date has been set for our annual Ladies Spring Banquet on May 6th! SAVE THE DATE! Plans are in the works and we look forward to another wonderful gathering. So Far our biggest

hold-up was finding a theme. Any ideas and involvement are welcome!

Upcoming Events:

April 5-6th - Spring Retreat at Camp Luther
May 6th - Spring Banquet
May 18th Spring Rally - Hosted in Houghton
June 13-15th - Northern Wisconsin District Convention - Paper Valley Hilton, Appleton, WI

We are always looking for volunteers, even if you are unable to attend LWML meetings - 2nd Monday of the month-we welcome your input or assistance and remember to always SHARE God's love with family, friends and neighbors!

Your sisters in Christ,

Caren and Gals

STAMPS FOR A MISSION

Our Lutheran women's Missionary League began collecting used postage stamps in 1993 when The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod office in St. Louis, Missouri, ended this project. Our North Wisconsin District has worked with many different gentlemen over the years to sell our stamps. We are currently taking our stamps to a gentleman in Green Bay.

Our stamps were sold five different times in 1994 and the total amount sold to help support our missions was \$345.49. The year-to-date total now is \$13,897.66 Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Please continue to collect your stamps within your societies and encourage others from your church to join. Please share with them how to trim the stamps leaving a quarter inch around the stamp. The perforation on the stamp must be intact, if the perforation is missing the stamps cannot be sold.

What a blessing to have the opportunity to collect our stamps and help those in need. Please continue in this mission as we serve the Lord with gladness! In Christ, Shirley H. & Mary S.

Please place the stamps in the LWML MITE box!! Thank so much!

TADYCH'S/SUPERONE RECIEPTS

Have you been saving grocery slips? Have you been turning them into Our Redeemer? There is a large white bucket under the LWML card table labeled for Econo/Super One slips. We receive 1% of each \$1.00 you spend on groceries through their rebate programs. Sherry C. has graciously been tallying them up. The money goes into the Youth Program checking account. We use the money to sponsor our Compassion Child which is \$480 a year. There is also a container for stamps & ink cartridges however, they only accept Inkjets (they DO NOT accept Laser/Toner cartridges). Your support is greatly appreciated.

ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME TO ALL ACTIVITIES

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Life Newsbytes

On February 1, a Dutch law allowing the euthanasia of terminally ill children went into effect. The law legalizes the killing of children ages one through 12 who are deemed to be "suffering hopelessly and unbearably." Previously, the country allowed euthanasia of children older than 12, along with infants under age one, who could be killed if their parents and doctors agreed and they faced an illness labeled as terminal or faced serious suffering. In 2023, lawmakers passed a controversial expansion of the eligibility guidelines to include children of all ages. According to reports, the new guidelines state that "the child's opinion should be sought as far as possible in a way appropriate to the child's understanding and age," though parents can decide to have their child euthanized in conjunction with a doctor even if the child is unwilling or unable to consent ... Opponents are warning that there is nothing to keep this broadened rule from spiraling out of control. In an op-ed, Elise van Hoek-Burgerhart and Yvonne Gueze-van Horssen, both from the group NPV-Care for Life, warn that the "distressing" regulation has many flaws, including the fact that children are unable to consent to their own deaths ... "Children are impressionable and are (often) not mentally competent," they wrote. (Source: *Bridget Sielicki, LiveAction.org*, 2/7/24)

Speaking up For Life

"But death isn't a part of the life for which we were created—for we were created. You didn't morph from pond scum into an intelligent hairless monkey; you were handcrafted by the Lord of the Universe." *Hannah Nissing, Bulldogs4Life, the Y4Life team at Concordia, Nebraska*

"Despite the hardships we experience and the sin we face, God's work submerges us in a pool of joy; through our Baptism, He daily refreshes us, strengthening our bonds to Him and to each other. Yes, we Christians are connected more deeply than participation in any march or gathering can offer. By God's grace, we have become family. We share a home and a future." *Michelle Bauman, Y4Life*

"The God who chose to give us life at the moment of fertilization is the same God who chose to rescue us and redeem us and give us salvation. And He did it by sending His Son, Jesus, to experience every stage of human life so we could be forgiven and given life everlasting with Him!" *Rev. Craig Michaelson, Faith Community Lutheran Church, Las Vegas, Nevada*

lutheransforlife.org/resources/life-quotes



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YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

**~SUNDAY SCHOOL - SUNDAYS
AT 10:30 A.M.**

**~CATECHISM VESPERS -
WEDNESDAYS AT 5:30P.M.**

**~BIBLE STUDY - SUNDAY AT
10:30 A.M. & THURSDAYS AT
10 A.M.**



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STEWARDSHIP

Cherish What God Has Given

In the Small Catechism, Luther follows a pattern when explaining the Ten Commandments. With each commandment, there is something prohibited, and something commanded. There is something wrong which must be avoided, and there is something right which must be done.

The one time this pattern is not followed is with the Sixth Commandment.

“You shall not commit adultery. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other” (SC I).

Here, the catechism focuses solely on the positive: we should live in a chaste and decent manner in both word and deed, and husbands and wives should cherish and honor one another.

Keeping this commandment, and all of the commandments, is a lot easier if you see your chastity and your spouse as a gift from God that is to be protected and cherished. In the same way, you will find keeping the Fourth Commandment easier if you see your parents and other authorities as a gift from God, given to you for your blessing.

This is the key stewardship insight that runs through all of the Christian life: Everything that we have has been given to us by God. We deserve none of it. All of it comes to us by God's fatherly kindness and open-handed generosity. If I know that everything I have — every possession, every relationship, every ability — is a gift from God, then my perspective changes. All of these things are both gifts to be cherished, and things that I should direct towards God's purposes. My possessions should be shared generously according to how God has called me in my family, church and community. My spouse should be cherished, loved and encouraged in faith. My children are on loan from my own Heavenly Father, and I have but a brief time to show them the path of righteousness. My neighbor is a gift from God so that I can imitate His kindness toward me.

No matter the gift, everything has been given to me by God so that I may participate in His own goodness and open-handed generosity

LOOKING TO SERVE? CONTACT THE OFFICE OR TALK TO PASTOR!

THIS MONTH'S SCHEDULE

MARCH 3RD 9AM
Rob Kuehl & Jim Sleik
Altar Guild: Sue Rochon

MARCH 6TH 7PM
Bradley Linsmeyer
Altar Guild: Sue Rochon

MARCH 10TH 9AM
Bradley Linsmeyer & Jim Sleik
Altar Guild: Jenna Long

MARCH 13TH 7PM
James Reed
Altar Guild: Jenna Long

MARCH 17TH 9AM
James Reed & Skip Schoenborn
Altar Guild: Debbie Sleik

MARCH 20TH 7PM
Jim Sleik
Altar Guild: Debbie Sleik

MARCH 24TH 9AM
Dana Bey & Bradley Linsmeyer
Altar Guild: Maridol Bey

MARCH 28TH 7PM
Skip Schoenborn
Altar Guild: Maridol Bey

MARCH 29TH 1PM
Dana Bey
Altar Guild: Maridol Bey

MARCH 31ST 6AM
James Reed
Altar Guild: Lisa Swanson

MARCH 31ST 9AM
Rob Kuehl & James Reed
Altar Guild: Lisa Swanson

March 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb 25	26	27	28	29	Mar 1	2
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Third Sunday in Lent 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study, Youth Group,	6:30pm Board of Elders		5:00pm Catechism Vespers 6:00pm Lenten Supper 7:00pm Divine Service	10:00am Bible Study	Pastor's Day Off	
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Fourth Sunday in Lent 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study, Youth Group,	1:00pm Ladies' Guild 6:30pm Church Council Meeting		5:00pm Catechism Vespers 6:00pm Lenten Supper 7:00pm Divine Service	10:00am Bible Study	Pastor's Day Off	
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Sunday of the Passion 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study, Youth Group,				Holy Thursday 7:00pm Divine Service	Good Friday 1:00pm Tenebrae Vespers	10:00am Altar Guild Easter Decorating
31	Apr 1	2	3	4	5	6
The Resurrection of Our 6:30am Divine Service 7:30am Easter Breakfast 9:00am Divine Service						



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