

Program for the Week of February 26 – March 5, 2023

Sunday:

8:00 Worship
9:00 Coffee Time
9:15 Bible Class
9:20 Sunday School
10:30 Worship
2:00 LWML Zone @ Arlington
4:30 Book Club
6:30 TSNT

Monday:

9:00 Quilting
7:00 Young Adult Bible Study

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study
7:00 Worship Service on KTV

Wednesday:

1:30 Midweek Lenten Worship
2:00 Worship Service on KTV

5:00 Introductory Choir
5:30 Introductory Bells
5:30 Meal
6:30 Midweek Lenten Worship
7:30 Jr. Confirmation
7:30 Vocal Choir
8:00 Handbell Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
9:30 Ruth/Lydia Circle Bible Study
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

8:00 Worship
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Chancel flowers are provided by Jan & Daryl Adams in joyful celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

About the Cover: The fall in the Garden of Eden set the battle lines between the offspring of the devil and the offspring of Eve. But the defeat of the father of lies (John 8:44) was already foretold as the foot that would crush the serpent's head. Christ, the true Offspring of Eve, was faithful through the temptation in the desert and all the way to the cross. The cross of this Second Adam has been made "a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him" ("Prayer of Thanksgiving," LSB 209).

"Ephphatha . . . be opened" (Mark 7:34), Jesus says to a deaf man as He placed His fingers in the man's ears and touches his tongue in this week's Sunday School lesson, "A Hearing Aide." The man's ears open and his tongue releases, but Jesus warns the crowd not to tell anyone. The good news cannot be contained, however, and those who witness the miracle share the story. Discuss, "How can we share the Good News with our friends and family?"

The Our Savior Book Club will continue discussing John Bunyan's renowned *The Pilgrim's Progress* in February. For our February 26th meeting we will discuss pages 32-70. We meet from 4:30-6pm in the fireplace room. We hope you'll join us!

TSNT meets tonight, February 26th, from 6:30 – 8pm in the Fireplace room. All youth in grades 7 – 12 are invited. We'll begin with some time in God's Word, then play some games together. See you there!

Quilting meets tomorrow, Monday, February 27th from 9am – noon, upstairs in the Youth Room. We sew fronts, middles, and backs together, then tie them. Please join us as we work together to help people in need of comfort. If you have any questions, please contact Julie at 507-388-7533. Donations are always accepted of cotton materials and sheets. Please leave donations in the Mission Center. Thank you!

Young Adult Bible Study. Join us tomorrow night, Monday, February 27th at 7pm in the Fireplace room. We will study the minor prophets. Contact Karee with any questions, 507-381-3826 or kbless@blc.edu.

Wednesday Night Meals are served from 5:30 – 6:15pm during Lent. All are welcome to come enjoy a good meal before our Midweek Lenten Service at 6:30pm. Suggested donation of \$3.00 per person to cover the costs.

Ruth/Lydia Bible Study is March 2, Thursday, at 9:30 fellowship time followed at 9:45 Bible Study in the Fireplace room at Church. We welcome all guests. Our Study will be "Covered By God's Grace" on pages 18 and 19 in the LWML Winter Quarterly. We will also look at Hymn 722LSB ,Take My Hand and Lead Me.

Grief Social – Experiencing loss can leave us feeling isolated. We're looking to offer some fellowship time with others who can relate (even if it has been a few years). Join us Friday, March 10 at 6:00pm. Supper will be provided. We'll talk about where we want to go from here but are hoping to meet twice a month for a little people time.

Bible Journaling – Rather than just reading God's Word, we'll be talking about ways to process it and remember it. Maybe you've thought about trying to read the Bible, but aren't sure how to go about doing it. We'll give you some ideas. Sign-up for inspiration, and we'll even give you lunch. The cost is \$10. The retreat will take place here on Saturday, March 18 from 9:00am-2:00pm.

Your March Voice has the Lenten activities listed. It comes to your mailbox. Keep it right with your daily calendar.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in March, please contact Kathy Johnson, 507-469-4591.

Thirty Health Care Kits, 30 pair of socks, and six quilts (from the quilting group) were delivered to Connections Homeless Shelter in February. Thank you for helping put the kits together and for all the donations!

The Lutheran Service Book is now available in large print from Concordia Publishing House. If you would like a copy of the hymnal in large print for your home use, it can be purchased at: <https://www.cph.org/lutheran-service-book-large-print-edition>. The cost is \$49.99 plus tax and shipping. If you would like help ordering, please contact Sue in the office. A sample is available to view on the “Church Information bulletin board.

Our Savior’s Worship Service is livestreamed on our website www.oslcmankato.org or from our YouTube channel also named oslcmankato. The weekly Sunday service is broadcast on the local Public Access channel, KTV (Spectrum Cable channel 181, Consolidated Communications channel 7), on Tuesday at 7pm and Wednesday at 2pm.

From the Stewardship Committee: Matthew 4:7 – “Jesus said to him, ‘Again it is written...’ ” Jesus defeats Satan in our place, not by using His power as God, but by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity. Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to them. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone.

Listen to KFUE.ORG, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. All programs are archived at www.KFUE.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week hear Episode 5 in the English Reformation series on whether Catholics or Protestants will prevail (March 1st at 9am), study John 10-11 on Sharper Iron’s “The Word Made Flesh” (weekdays at 8am), and hear a Lenten midweek organ recital and worship service from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis (March 1st at 11am).

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “Which Way Grows the Vine” features a father struggling to accept the consequences of his actions and set an example for his son. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Terry Grzybowski from Emanuel Lutheran Church in Elk River, who will present a message titled “Into Temptation” based on Matthew 4:11. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

LWML Zone Board meeting today at 2pm at Peace Lutheran Church in Arlington, MN.

“Celebrate the Lord of the Nations” in Milwaukee on June 22-25, 2023. Early registration ends March 14th. Are you planning on the district bus? transportation@mnslwml.org.

Hear The Lutheran Hour every Sunday on radio station WCCO (830) at 6:00 a.m., KDHL (920) at 6 p.m., or KJLY (107.1) at 6 p.m. You can also listen any time on your computer at www.lhm.org. Click on "Hear This Week's Sermon".

The Spiritually Vibrant Home Workshop is on March 18th at Trinity Lutheran in Janesville from 8:30 – 3:00. Go to: <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/missionformation> for more information or to register.

Concordia Classical Academy continues its Family Nights Out. This month is at Applebee's on Tuesday, February 28th from 11am to midnight. When you show the flyer or use the online code, DOINGGOOD, Applebee's will donate 15% of your check back to CCA. Thank you all for your continued prayers!

The Freshman Class at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop invites you to their Waffle Feed on Sunday, February 26th. They will be serving waffles with all the trimmings from 10am to 1pm. Cost is a free will offering. Proceeds will help fund their senior class trip.

Seeking Director of Music (5-10 hours/week) at Redeemer Lutheran Church, New Ulm. Duties include oversight of music ministry, head organist, scheduling, and adult choir accompaniment and/or directing. Contact the Church for details and/or application by calling 507-233-3470, or emailing redeemer@newulmtel.net. If further hours are desired, Redeemer's Kinder Haus Daycare is also seeking a Business Manager (30 hours/week). Duties would include administration of staff hiring, scheduling, training, and budgeting.

The Minnesota South District LCMS insert in the February 2023 Lutheran Witness featured a story about Martin Luther JR/SR High School "Generating a JESUS Generation-Spanish Enrichment" \$14,000 grant. Senora Veronica Balderas teaches Spanish to 7th and 8th graders at St Paul Lutheran, Fairmont; St Paul's Lutheran, Truman and MLHS. The goal is to introduce them to Spanish culture and prepare them to be a generation of Christian disciples to their Hispanic neighbors. The full article can be read at <https://www.martinlutherhs.com/7--8-spanish.html> or <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/publications#Lutheran-Witness-supplement>.

The Wind Symphony from Concordia University Chicago will perform a concert of sacred and secular music at Trinity Lutheran Church, 222 6th Ave. SW in Rochester, on Saturday, March 4 at 7 p.m. The concert is open to the public, and admission is free.

LCEF Take Heart Scholarship is available to all 16-18 year old high school seniors who have a YI account with LCEF. Scholarships available up to \$3000, and the due date for submission is May 7th. Go to: <https://lcef.org/scholarship/> for more information.

Welcome to Our Savior's Lutheran Church! We are Christians gathered around the unchanging Word and Gifts of Jesus Christ which give forgiveness and salvation now and forever. Our Savior has more than enough blessings for everyone and promises that He will turn no one away. Please let us know who you are and how we can serve you by completing a registration card found in the seat backs and placing it in the offering plate at the entrances to the sanctuary.

At Our Savior Lutheran Church we live to make Christ known.

Monthly Memory Verse:

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men,
the man Christ Jesus.
1 Timothy 2:5

Weekly Discussion Question:

What do you think a God who is willing to provide a way out of the mess we made?

Holy Communion: “During its administration, the body of Christ is given to you in particular with the bread, and the blood with the wine; while you in particular are told that His body was given for you and His blood was shed for you. This is done so that you do not doubt, but appreciate this sacrifice as your very own, because it is placed into your mouth and made your own, to eat and drink for yourself only” (Luther). At the same time that we individually receive His gift, we testify together that we are united in doctrine. Those who understand the meaning of communion and wish to receive it today are asked to review the statement on the back of the registration card.

Serving today:

Liturgist & Preacher Rev. Adam M. Matheny
Organist Barb Anderson
Elder of the Day [8:00] Tom Benson; [10:30] Mike Anderson
Acolytes [8:00] Caleb Rottermond; Elijah Matheny
..... [10:30] Isabel Buesing
A/V Tech Zak Tess



UNITED FOR LIFE

MINNESOTA'S PRO-LIFE ADVOCACY DAY
FEBRUARY 28TH, 2023 · UNITEDFORLIFEMN.ORG

United for Life is a pro-life advocacy day at the Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda. It will be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, with registration beginning at 9 am. The event will bring together pro-life Minnesotans, organizations, and church bodies from across the state to stand up for life. We hope you can join us!

Together, we will care for women, children, and families by inspiring legislators to fight for the fundamental rights of all human beings, from conception to natural death. By walking with mothers and children in need, and encouraging our legislators to do the same, we can make Minnesota the best place to welcome a child into this world.

The day will consist of a rally in the Capitol Rotunda, educational opportunities, and meetings with your state representatives. You will get to hear from a variety of inspiring speakers, and get a chance to connect with many of the leading pro-life organizations from around the state. It is now more important than ever to UNITE and make the pro-life message heard in Minnesota.

The event is free, but registration is necessary to schedule meetings with your specific state legislators. You will also receive a free t-shirt.

Join us for United for Life. United, we stand up for justice--for the unborn, for mothers, for children, and for families. See you on February 28th!

Visit this site for detailed information, the event schedule, and to register:
<https://unitedforlifemn.org/>

