

Program for the Week of February 19 – February 26, 2023

Sunday: *Mite Sunday*

8:00 Worship
9:00 Coffee Time
9:15 Bible Class
9:20 Sunday School
10:30 Worship
11:45 Sunday School Teachers

Monday:

6:30 Early Bird Bible Study

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
7:00 Worship Service on KTV

Wednesday:

1:30 Ash Wednesday Worship
2:00 Worship Service on KTV
5:00 Introductory Choir
5:15 The Joy Switch Class
5:30 Introductory Bells
5:30 Meal

6:30 Ash Wednesday Worship
7:30 Jr. Confirmation
7:30 Vocal Choir
8:00 Handbell Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
5:30 Potluck Meal/Bible Study

Friday:

Saturday:

Next 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

Chancel flowers are provided by Lon & Kathy Whitehead and the Hermanson family in loving memory of Roger.

About the Cover: Peter, James, and John were eyewitnesses to the majesty of Jesus at His transfiguration as they saw the beaming glory of the Lord. This sight was not to be shared until the glory of Christ's cross and resurrection had happened. Though we have not seen Christ in His majesty, the Lord has given us eyewitness testimony so that today we live by faith until the day that we see Him face to face.

“The Fish-and-Bread Sign” is the topic for the Sunday School lesson today. A crowd of at least five thousand men, plus women and children, gather to hear Jesus preach. When challenged to find a way to feed the hungry crowd, the disciples question how this is possible. Using just five barley loaves and two fish, Jesus feeds them all, with abundant leftovers. Discuss, “How does God provide food for His people today?”

Church Custodian: The Church Custodian position is open. The Board of Trustees is looking for eligible candidates to fill the position. If interested, please contact the church office or one of the Trustees.

Today is Mite Sunday. The featured grant for February is #18 – “Ends of Earth” Scholarships, Mission Opportunities Short Term (MOST) Ministries - \$50,000. Learn more at: www.lwml.org/2021-2023-mission-grant-18. Our Savior also contributes Gospel Bradelets. The Minnesota South District focus grant is #7 - \$21,790 – Outreach and language learning tools to reach the Hispanic community for Jesus Christ, Trinity First Lutheran School, Minneapolis. Thank you for your contributions. Last month your change contributed \$22.16 toward the goal. Thanks be to God the 2021-2023 Mite Grant Goal has been met. So on we go to the next great Mission need!

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.

Potluck Dinner and Bible Study: Joins us on Thursday, February 23rd for food, fellowship, and time in God’s Word. We will share a potluck meal at 5:30pm, then Study the Scriptures together at 6:30pm. We will learn a bit about the season of Lent. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Matheny.

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!

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.

A special thank you to Pastor Matheny for the visit, also for all the prayers, cards, and phone calls from everyone. God bless you all ~ Bernice Wilson

The Sock Drive was a huge success! You donated 235 pairs of socks. They will be delivered, along with the healthcare kits, to local ministries. Thank you for your generosity!

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.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in February, please contact Marcella Eilders, 507-317-4127.

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.

Arlington Zone Board meets on Sunday, February 26th at 2pm at Peace Lutheran Church in Arlington, MN.

The 2023 LWML Convention “Celebrate the Lord of the Nations” Psalm 33:12-13 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on June 22-25. All the information and registration is in the *Quarterly*, page A. The WOM has the bus information from the Minnesota South District. www.lwml.org/2023-convention

From the Stewardship Committee: Matthew 17:8 – “And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.” Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “In Search of Dignity” features two factory workers struggling to find meaning after they are replaced by machines. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Keith Grimm from Family of Christ Lutheran Church in Ham Lake, who will present a message titled “A Glimpse of Glory” based on Matthew 17:1-9. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

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 we begin Lent with an Organ Recital and Worship Service on Ash Wednesday (February 22nd at 11am), study John 9-10 on Sharper Iron’s “The Word Became Flesh” (weekdays at 8am), and study 2 Timothy 1 – 4 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am).

Camp Omega Plunge: Sunday, February 26th at Morristown Community Center. Registration at 1pm, 1st jumper at 2:30pm. For more information go to: <https://campomega.org/event/polar-plunge-2>, to pre-register a team of jumpers, contact: russ@campOmega.org, or call/text 507-384-7947.

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".

Man Up! Men's Retreat, Camp Omega, Waterville. March 3 – 4. Grandfathers, fathers, and sons (16 and older). Go to: <https://campomega.org/event/manup/> for more information. Register online by February 24.

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 6 th Ave. SW in Rochester, on Saturday, March 4 at 7 p.m. The concert is open to the public, and admission is free.

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:

The following verse says "who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time." What does Jesus do as our mediator?

Holy Communion: The Transfiguration of our Lord reminds us that there is so much more to life than meets our eyes. The glory of the Lord on the Holy mountain gives testimony to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven. The Lord's Supper is also a reality which goes far beyond our human reason and physical sight. Herein our glorious King comes to us with the very body and blood with which he purchased our redemption. 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 Susan Klute
Special Music Introductory Choir
Elder of the Day [8:00] Dave Hendley; [10:30] Lon Whitehead
Acolytes [8:00] Dalton Ling; Hunter Farris
..... [10:30] Dani Chatleain; Garrett Chatleain
A/V Tech Matt Brand