

Program for the Week of April 2 – April 9, 2023

Sunday: *Palm Sunday*

8:00 Worship
9:00 Breakfast
9:15 Rally Day
9:20 Sunday School
10:30 Worship

Monday:

6:30 Early Bird Bible Study

Tuesday:

8:30 Circuit Pastors
5:15 Board of Education
6:00 Board of Elders
6:30 Board of Deacons
7:00 Board of Trustees
7:00 Worship Service on KTV

Wednesday:

2:00 Worship Service on KTV

7:00 Jr. Confirmation

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
9:30 Ruth/Lydia Circle Bible Study
1:30 Maundy Thursday Worship
6:30 Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday:

1:30 Good Friday Worship
6:30 Good Friday Worship

Saturday:

2:30 Easter Breakfast/Garden Setup
8:00 Easter Vigil

Next Sunday: *Easter Sunday*

8:00 Easter Worship
9:00 Easter Breakfast
10:30 Easter Worship

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Don & Karen Fischer in loving memory of Don's mother, Marles Fischer.

Enjoy a hot breakfast cooked by our Sunday School children this morning. Then tour the tables in our Fellowship Hall to learn about different groups at our church. Both will be happening during the Education Hour (9:20 – 10:20).

About the Cover: The King is coming. It is right to bend the knee at the coming of Christ, our Lord. But His coronation was with thorns, His exaltation upon a cross. Though much of the world does not yet recognize it, the majestic day will come when every knee shall bow to Jesus, the King of kings and the Lord of lords. By His Word, we believe in Him today and proclaim His mercy to a world that does not yet know until He comes again.

“A Revealing Truth” is the Sunday School lesson for this week. On Easter afternoon, Jesus joins two disciples discussing the events of the past week in Jerusalem while on their way to Emmaus. Along the way, Jesus interprets the Old Testament prophecies concerning Himself. Arriving at Emmaus, the disciples suddenly recognize Jesus, who then disappears from sight. The disciples quickly return to Jerusalem to share their amazing account. Discuss how you, too, can share this amazing story.

Pick up coloring pages at the Rally today.

There is no Wednesday Night Meal this week, April 5th. Next week, April 12th, we return to our regular schedule, Meal at 6pm, Devotion at 6:45pm. The last meal for the academic year will be April 26th.

Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle meets Thursday, April 6th in the Fireplace room. Meet at 9:30am for fellowship time and refreshments, Bible study begins at 9:45am. We welcome all guests! Our study will be "God's Chosen People" on pages 16-17 in the LWML Spring Quarterly.

Easter Breakfast, April 9 - Join us between services for eggbake, muffins and fruit served by our youth. We are grateful to have them here.

Quilters will not meet Easter Monday, April 10th. Questions? Call Julie at 507-388-7533.

Prayer Shawl: If you, or someone you know, may find comfort in a Prayer Shawl, please call Marcella B. Eilders, 507-317-4127.

Mission Service will be on Wednesday, April 19th at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and help with the projects!

Red Cross Blood Drive: Our Savior's is sponsoring a blood drive for the American Red Cross on Monday, April 24th from noon to 5pm. Scheduling is available on the website: www.redcrossblood.org, or the Blood Donor app available in the App Store and Google Play store. Sponsor code: oslcmankato. Or, call the church office, 507-385-2180, to schedule your donation time. The need for blood is critical and each donation can save up to three lives. Be a hero, donate blood!

Our Savior's gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following memorials:

- \$300 Undesignated in memory of Sheila Anderson
- \$10 Undesignated in memory of Michael Melvin
- \$150 Undesignated in memory of Sam Salzwedel

The Spring Quarterly, the large print Quarterly, the WOM, and the Lutheran Layman Magazine are available in the Narthex for you.

S.A.G.E.S. Board meeting on **April 4th** at the District Office. Call Trudy for a ride, 507-327-7082, to visit our meeting. Some SAGES Board members attended the funeral for Roberta "Kay" Stewart, our representative for Mankato Circuit. Come attend the Board Meetings and see how the Lord is calling you to represent the older adults of Minnesota South District.

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.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in April, please contact Bev Clark, 507-380-9492, or Bev Annis, 507-278-3093.

This is for You, who are born before 1968. **“Joyfully Aging” Gathering XXXIII** news and registrations are here in the Narthex. Dr. Rich Bimler is the featured presenter for the **Monday and Tuesday, May 1st & 2nd** Gathering at Country Inn & Suites, 1900 Premier Drive, Mankato. Joyfully Aging workshops, music, fellowship, and Banquet with entertainment are also included. For the full agenda, workshop descriptions, presenters, meal information, cost, and registrations form, visit the S.A.G.E.S. webpage on the District website. The Workshop titles are: 1) History in Songs; 2) Talking about Jesus without talking about Sin; 3) Effective Communication Strategies; 4) Trends in Fraud & Identity Theft; 5) Over the Counter Hearing Aids; and 6) Elder Law. Register now, the deadline is April 15th.

LWML Spring Rally: Saturday, April 15th at Peace Lutheran Church, 514 Freedom Drive, Arlington. Registration begins at 9am, cost is \$5. Guest speaker: POBLO International, Nader & Georgette Alaraj. Love offerings will be monetary gifts toward POBLO. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex to car pool. Come enjoy Spring fellowship.

Celebrate the Lord of the Nations with LWML in Milwaukee, June 22 – 25. Information: www.lwml.org, or the Spring Quarterly.

From the Stewardship Committee: 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! Likewise, with us – the Lord needs none of us, but what an honor for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His church.

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, “Holy Land Tour part 2”: A video tour of locations in Jesus' earthly ministry, led by South Dakota pastor Nabil Nour who grew up in Israel. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Kent Borglum from St. John's Lutheran Church, Montevideo, who will present a message titled “The Only True King” based on Zechariah 9:9-10. 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. Blessed Holy Week. This week Hear Tre Ore service from Ascension Lutheran in St. Louis from 12 noon – 3pm on April 7th and hear Easter services Sunday morning April 8th, hear Jesus' journey to the cross in John 18-19 on Sharper Iron's "The Word Made Flesh" (weekdays at 8am), and study Lenten Texts on Thy Strong Word's "Free Text Friday" on April 7th at 11am.

Help for preparing decorations for S.A.G.E.S. is needed. Contact Trudy, 507-327-7082.

Kinship Radio Women's Conference will be held on Saturday, May 6th at Hosanna Lutheran Church. Register at: kinshipradio.org If you would like to sit with the group from Our Savior's, please call Rhonda at 389-9726.

LLL/LHM Convention – Lutheran Layman's League – Lutheran Hour Ministries invites you to the convention on Saturday, April 15, 2023 at Martin Luther High School, Northrop. The April Voice has more information. To register, contact Doyle Benson at doylebenson321@gmail.com or 320-583-7695. We could carpool.

Lutheran Church Servant Events program registration is now open for a full summer of Servant Events in 2023. At its heart, the Servant Events program provides youth with a way to participate in the work of spreading the Gospel. <https://reporter.lcms.org/2023/volunteer-in-2023-register-for-a-summer-servant-event/>

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".

Concordia Classical Academy's 2023 Give to Grow Dinner Auction is quickly approaching. We hope that you can join us on April 22nd for a fun evening of fundraising and fellowship. Tickets are on sale through April 8th. Tickets may be purchased online, by returning a registrations form to the school, or by calling the school office at 507-388-4336. To register online visit: <https://auctria.events/ccagivetogrow2023>.

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:

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

Weekly Discussion Question:

How do you separate facts from opinions?

Holy Communion: On the Sunday before His death (Palm Sunday), Jesus is hailed as King and Lord; and palm branches carpet the path of His humble entrance into Jerusalem. In the Lord's Supper, Jesus still enters our lives with humble means; and He is still Lord and King. It is not too great a thing for Him to be present with His flesh and blood for our forgiveness! 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..... Handbell Choir
Elder of the Day [8:00] Tom Benson; [10:30] Mike Anderson
Acolytes [8:00] Dalton Ling; Hunter Farris
..... [10:30] Dani Chatleain; Garrett Chatleain
Greeters [8:00] Kurt & Jeanne Anderson
A/V Tech Gene Mensing