Program for the Week of April 23 – April 30, 2023

Sunday:

8:00 Worship

9:00 Coffee Time

9:15 Bible Class

9:20 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

4:30 Book Club

6:30 TSNT

Monday:

6:30 Early Bird Bible Study

9:00 Quilting

12:00 Blood Drive

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting

7:00 Worship Service on KTV

Wednesday:

2:00 Worship Service on KTV

5:15 Introductory Choir

5:15 Find Your People Class

5:45 Brass

5:50 Introductory Bells

6:00 Meal

6:45 Devotion

7:00 Jr. Confirmation - Photos

7:00 Vocal Choir

7:30 Handbell Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession

10:00 Bulletin Deadline

1:30 Endowment Board

5:30 Potluck/Bible Study

Friday: Saturday:

Next Sunday: Confirmation Sunday

8:00 Worship

9:00 Confirmation Reception

9:15 Bible Class

9:20 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

About the Cover: "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever" (1 Peter 1:24-25). When Peter quotes this passage from Isaiah 40, he helps us to see how Christ has fulfilled in all His death and resurrection for us. Though our lives and words in this present world fade and are soon forgotten, Christ's words remain forever because He remains forever.

"A Telling Truth" is the Sunday School lesson for this week. With the sound of a rushing wind and tongues of fire, the promised Holy Spirit descends on the disciples. As they speak "In other tongues" (Acts 2:4), their hearers, from a multitude of nations, hear about "the mighty works of God" (v. 11) in their own languages. Beginning with Old Testament prophecies, Peter's sermon proclaims Jesus, the promised Messiah. Discuss, "How did Pentecost change the Church forever?"

TSNT meets tonight, Sunday, April 23^{rd} from 6:30-8pm in the Fireplace Room. All youth in grades $7^{th} - 12^{th}$ are invited. We begin with some time in God's Word, then play games together. See you there!

Looking for another opportunity to get into God's Word? Early Bird Bible Study meets Monday mornings at 6:30am to start your work week off with devotion, prayer, and Bible study. Everyone is always welcome, but this is a special invitation as we are starting a new study on April 24th focusing on Paul's letter to the Ephesians. We meet in the Fireplace Room (come on in through the east doors off the back parking lot) and wrap up at 7:30 for those who need to head off to work. The coffee will be on! If you have any questions, please contact Matt Brand (507-327-5059 or mattsbrand@gmail.com).

Quilting meets tomorrow morning, Monday, April 24th, from 9am – noon upstairs in the Youth Room. No sewing experience necessary. All are welcome to join us. Contact Julie at 507-388-7533 if you have any questions.

Red Cross Blood Drive: Our Savior's is sponsoring a blood drive for the American Red Cross tomorrow, Monday, April 24th from noon to 5pm. There's just a few Power Red appointments available. Scheduling on the website: www.redcrossblood.org, or the Blood Donor app. Sponsor code: oslcmankato.

College students, early career, or just wrapping up high school-- we would love to have you join us for our Young Adult Bible Study! We will be meeting this Monday (4/24) at 7PM in the fireplace room to continue our study of Amos. Snacks and hot chocolate provided!

Potluck Dinner & Bible Study: Join us Thursday, April 27th at 5:30pm to enjoy a potluck meal. At 6:30pm we'll study the Scriptures together. If you have any question, please contact Pastor Matheny.

Mission Service met on April 19th and put together 43 healthcare kits which will be delivered locally. Thank you to everyone who came to help put the kits together and for all the supplies that were donated. Supplies needed: Combs, used hand towels & washcloths, travel size body wash, lotion, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and gallon size Ziploc bags. Thank you! Mission Service

Are you looking for an opportunity to help those who have been impacted by the recent severe weather in the south? A disaster relief mission is "in the works"! Call Kris Bjornstad at 369-8705 or email at fysherofmen@gmail.com if you might be interested in participating in a mission within the next two to four weeks. No pre-requisites needed!

With grateful thanks: Thank you very kindly to all my church family who sent "Birthday Wishes" to make my day so special. It meant a great deal to me to be remembered. Your sister in Christ – Jean Fiskey

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

The Spring Quarterly, the WOM, the Lutheran Layman Magazine, the April Sagacity, and other new materials are available in the Narthex for you. There are coloring pages for you in the Mission Center. The large print Quarterly is here to make it easier for studying and reading for sight impaired people.

Thrivent Choice Dollars: It's that time again to start thinking about our children or grandchildren attending Camp Omega or other religious based camps. Thrivent Choice Dollars here at Our Savior Lutheran Church can offer scholarships up to \$250 per child to help defray the costs of these camps. Feel free to con act Brian Johnson at 779-4264 with any questions.

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

All Our Savior ladies: The Quarterly has 45 new Mite Projects to be voted on before the LWML Convention. They are listed on page 15 of the Spring Quarterly and there will be individual copies you may pick up in the Narthex. Each person may pick out eight of her favorite Mite Mission projects, and list them on a sheet of paper to be given to our delegate. Also, we will be voting on National Officers and you have the opportunity to give the names you prefer to our delegate. There will be a box for your responses in the Mission Center.

"Joyfully Aging" Gathering, Monday at noon to Tuesday at 2:30, May 1st and 2nd. Gathering at Country Inn & Suites, 1900 Premier Drive, Mankato. Remember there is no restaurant for lunch, so eat at your favorite place before you come.

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

S.A.G.E.S. Board is praying for volunteers as representatives of the Board. See how the Lord is calling you to represent the older adults of Minnesota South District. To volunteer and get information call President Vehling at 651-501-5611.

From the Stewardship Committee: 1 Peter 1:18-19 - "You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot." Christ ransomed us and bought us back from the slavery into which we were born. We do not belong to ourselves, to the devil or the world. We belong to Jesus. Therefore, we live our lives not in accordance with our own wisdom, but in line with God's Word.

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "Betrayed": A man struggles to do what is right after a reporter uncovers shady dealings in his business. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Eric Zacharias from Zion Lutheran Church in Cologne, who will present a message titled "Jesus Opened Them Up!" based on Luke 24:30-34. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

Listen to KFUO.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.KFUO.org for 24/7 ondemand listening. Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUOradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week study 1 John 3-4 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am), and finish studying Judges and begin studying 1 Samuel on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am), and support KFUO Radio this week during Sharathon! Give online at kufo.org/sharathon so we can continue to share the Gospel of Christ Jesus in your home and around the globe.

Concordia Classical Academy's final Family Night Out is Tuesday, April 25th at Bakers Square from 10 am - 7 pm. When you mention CCA, Bakers Square will donate 20% back to CCA. Thank you for your support all year long!

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".

Our Savior Art Initiative

Thanks to the generosity of anonymous donors, we have been blessed with the opportunity to enrich our church with art.

A committee was formed to explore this initiative, and last month the congregation was invited on a field trip to see the paintings at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waterville.

Please take a moment to share a few thoughts regarding the project.

Your voice is important to this effort!

Would you be interested in adding art to the sanctuary? Circle one.

Yes No.

Why or why not?

How would you feel about adding art...

1 being opposed, 5 being very interested.

At the front of the sanctuary	1	2	3	4	5
On the side walls of the sanctuary	1	2	3	4	5
In the fellowship hall	1	2	3	4	5
Other:	1	2	3	4	5

What else would you like the committee to know?

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, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

1 Corinthians 15:20

Weekly Discussion Question:

How does Jesus' resurrection affect your confidence that the other things He said will happen?

Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper is a miracle in bread and wine! By the Word of Christ, His very body and very blood are really present in this gift. By the Word of God, there is also a doctrinal oneness testified to by the common reception of communion. 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
Special Music	Vocal Trio: Lisa Gahler, Barb Anderson, Denise Painter
Elder of the Day	[8:00] Randy Burmeister; [10:30] Mike Anderson
Acolytes	[8:00] Tobin Gangi; Nathan Full
	[10:30] Addisyn Wellner; Greta Johnson
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