

**Palm Sunday (March 25th, 2018 - Confirmation Sunday)**

Welcome in the Name of Jesus! May the Triune God who gathers us around Himself in the Word and Sacrament to bless us with His forgiveness this morning be your source of comfort, strength, and renewal as you worship today. Please register your attendance on the cards in the pew. Blessings, and do come again!



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**Communion Statement**

Please register for communion by filling out the back of the attendance card provided in the pew. If you are not a communicant member of Our Savior Lutheran Church, please speak with a Pastor or an Elder before Communion. See the back of the card in the pew for more details about our Communion practice, and these Bible passages: Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 10:17, 11:26; Romans 16:17.

**Introit**

But you, O LORD, do not be far off!  
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!  
**Save me from the mouth of the lion!**  
**You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!**  
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?  
**All who see me mock me;**  
**they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;**

“He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!”  
**Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.**  
But you, O LORD, do not be far off!  
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!  
**Save me from the mouth of the lion!**  
**You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!**

**What's Happening This Week**

**Sunday:** **8:00 AM Divine Service** 9:30 AM Reception for Confirmands  
**10:45 AM Divine Service - Confirmation**

**Monday:** Holy Monday Preschool Easter Parties  
**7:00 PM Divine Service**

**Tuesday:** Preschool Easter Parties

**Wednesday:** Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences

**Thursday:** Maundy Thursday - Church Office Closed  
**7:00 PM Divine Service** Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences

**Friday:** Good Friday 12:00 PM Tre-Ore Service  
7:00 PM Vespers

**Saturday:** Holy Saturday 10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt

**Serving in Worship**

**Elder:** Jeremy Royer (8:00), Steve Townsend (10:45), Bryan Bell (Monday), Bryan Bell (Thursday), Joe Cortney (Friday 12:00), Jeremy Royer (Friday 7:00)

**Elder Apprentice:** Colton Bell (8:00), Matthew Harms (10:45),

**Altar Guild:** Marty Albright, Marcia Ziegelman (8:00), LaVaughn Bresnahan, Carol Perry (10:45), Connie Neal, Jenny Barclay (Thursday)

**Ushers:** Don Hogarth, Joel Rasanen (8:00), Volunteer (10:45)

**Ushers Next Week:** Howard Sellenrick, Howard Schwartzkopf (8:00), Volunteer (10:45)

**Organist:** Veronica Fearneyhough (Sunday), Margaret Carlstead (Monday), Pam Bell (Thursday), Susan Brown (Friday)

**Next Sunday - April 1st, 2018 ~ Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter Sunday)**

**6:00 AM - Easter Sunrise Worship (LS)** 7:00 AM - Early Breakfast  
**8:00 AM - Worship (LS)** 9:30 AM - Late Breakfast  
**10:45 AM - Worship (LS)**

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**GROWING IN FAITH "THROUGH THE WORD"**

"He who belongs to God hears what God says." John 8:47

**Weekly Worship:**

Lenten Midweek ~ 106;  
Sunday ~ 8:00 am ~ 136/117 (LS);  
10:45 am ~ 65/49 (LS);  
Monday ~ 7/7 (LS);  
LS = Lord's Supper

**In our prayers this week:**

Nathan O'Grady Recovery [3/25]  
 Reverend Merk Williamson (Matt Smagacz) [3/25]  
 Bill Perrigo, Recovery [3/25]  
 Family and Friends of Steve Geile [3/25]  
 Charles Wagner [3/25]  
 Pat Deckelver, Health Concerns [3/25]  
 Ron Duckworth (Friend of Sharon Judd) [3/25]  
 Moe, Cancer (Friend of Sharon Judd) [3/25]  
 Daniel Hannemann, Stem Cell Surgery (Friend of Rozella Rice) [3/25]  
 Charla Brown (Friend of Jay and Linda Westerhold) [3/19]  
 Richard Ray (Linda Souza) [3/18]  
 Michelle Borg, Healing and Recovery [3/18]  
 Carissa, Surgery Recovery & Cancer Treatment (Friend of Brittany Mitchell) [3/18]

Craig McDowell, Brain Tumor (Cousin of Connie Neal) [3/18]  
 Pam McDowell, Severe Health Issues (Wife of Connie Neal's Cousin) [3/18]  
 Chris, Pneumonia (Friend of Melissa Royer) [3/8]  
 The Lovelis Family, Thanks to God For the Birth of Their Son, Lucas [3/7]  
 Thankfulness For the Healthy Birth of Our 11th Grandchild, Vivien Lena Wall (Ron and La Velle Van Voast) [3/4]  
 Chauna, 4 Year Old Niece of a Friend, Who Is Critically Ill (Merle and Marcia Ziegelman) [3/4]  
 Scott Watson, Faith and Guidance [3/4]  
 Maurice Sunderman (Brother-In-Law of Harold and Bonnie Schuessler) [3/4]  
 Bob and Kathy Banker, Cancer [3/4]

Each Sunday we will be challenged as a congregation to memorize a single verse of Scripture. The verse will come from one of the lessons for the following Sunday and we will recite it together the following Sunday.

This week's verse to recite is:

**Philippians 2:8**                      **And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.**

This week's verse to memorize is:

**Job 19:25**                              **For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.**

### Congregational Announcements

1. **Youth Confirmation Today** ~ Three of our youth will be confirmed and receive the Lord's Supper for the first time today at the 10:45 a.m. service. We rejoice with Allison Hutchinson, Isabel Hutchinson, and Dakota Lovelis and their families. The confirmation students will also sing during the offering at that service.
2. **Special Music Today** ~ The Sunday School students will join the choir in singing today during the offering at the 8:00 a.m. service and before the 10:45 am service.
3. **Thrivent Choice designations** ~ Once again it's time to remind you to consider designating your 2017 Thrivent Choice dollars to Our Savior Lutheran Church. Those dollars have been helping to cover special events for our Youth program and other special things for years here at Our Savior. The deadline is March 31st.
4. **Life Touch Photo Directory** ~ As many of our congregation members may have noticed this past week, our new 2017 Life Touch Member Directory copies arrived and are available for pickup in the narthex. For those who do not have a labeled directory, please feel free to contact Natalie in the church office and she will be happy to make arrangements to help you get a copy asap.
5. **The OSLC Annual Easter Egg Hunt is Almost Here!** All children of the congregation 8 years old and younger are invited to Our Savior Lutheran's annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, March 31st, at 10 am. Children should bring their own Easter basket. The Youth Group will gather at 6 pm on March 29th, Maundy Thursday (an hour before our service), to stuff the Easter eggs with candy. They will also meet at 9 am on March 31st, Holy Saturday, to hide the eggs for this year's Easter Egg Hunt.
6. **Easter Breakfast** ~ A sign up sheet for the Easter breakfasts has been placed in the narthex under the TV. All items will need to be brought to the church by 10:00 am on the Saturday before Easter, March 31st. Thank you for helping us to make this year's breakfasts successful and enjoyable events once again this year!
7. **Thrivent Financial Special Offerings:** On Easter Sunday, April 1st, offerings made during both Easter Breakfasts are going to assist a student for full-time church work. This year, the offerings will assist Patrick Baldwin from Lusk who is finishing up his second year and getting ready for vicarage (and just had a second child!). Please make checks out to "Thrivent Financial".
8. **Ladies Birthday Luncheon at Culver's** ~ April 9th at 11:30 am. All ladies are welcome to join in this get together held the first Monday of each month!
9. **Church Council Meeting is Approaching Quickly:** The next Council Meeting is on Monday, April 9th, at 5:30 pm. Council and Board Members, please make sure to have your reports of all activities since the month of January prepared prior to the meeting.
10. **LWML Zone Joy-shop in April:** All ladies are invited to the Spring Joy-shop to be held at Trinity, Wheatland on Saturday, April 28. Theme is "Hallowed Be Thy Name." Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with \$5 registration fee. Bible study will be presented by Pastor Scheer, Zone Counselor. A lunch will be served, followed by workshop activities of making favors for the June District Convention, including decorated horseshoes. Also fleece blankets will be prepared for tying at the servant event. The event will end by 5 p.m. Car pool arrangements from Our Savior will be made. Watch bulletins for more details.
11. **Catechism Retreat Coming Soon:** It's time to start planning for this summer's catechism retreat, for all youth from 10 years old to high school seniors. The dates will be Monday, June 25-Thursday, June 28. The theme will be The Ten Commandments. As always, the kids will learn and have fun, we'll sing and pray Matins and Vespers, and work our way through the Ten Commandments in the Small Catechism. Registration forms are now under the TV in the narthex.