



SEXAGESIMA
(60 DAYS UNTIL EASTER)
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OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)

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Sundays at 9:00 am

WELCOME TO ALL guests and visitors. It is great to have you here with us to receive the gifts of God in this place. If you have any questions, please speak with an usher. We look forward to seeing you again!

COMMUNION: The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is being offered to our confirmed communicants today and is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we truly receive, under the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, through which we further truly receive the forgiveness of sins. Besides individually receiving Christ's gift of forgiveness in this Sacrament, all those who commune here make a confession of their unity in the faith as it is believed and taught in our Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and in this congregation. Therefore, if you are not a confirmed communicant member, in good standing, of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation, we kindly ask that you respect our beliefs and refrain from coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament until you have had an opportunity to speak with the Pastor.

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OPENING HYMN

“What Is the World to Me” **LSB 730**

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT *Psalm 44:1-2, 7-8; antiphon: vv. 23, 25a, 26a*

Awake! Why are you sleeping, O Lord?

Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever!

For our soul is bowed down to the dust.

Rise up; come to our help!

O God, we have heard with our ears, our fathers have told us,

what deeds you performed in their days, in the days of old:

you with your own hand drove out the nations, but them you planted;

you afflicted the peoples, but them you set free.

But you have saved us from our foes

and have put to shame those who hate us.

In God we have boasted continually,

and we will give thanks to your name forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 55:10-13*

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
“For you shall go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the LORD,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING *2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9*

For you gladly bear with fools, being wise yourselves! For you bear it if someone makes slaves of you, or devours you, or takes advantage of you, or puts on airs, or strikes you in the face. To my shame, I must say, we were too weak for that!

But whatever anyone else dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I. Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three

times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant?

If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall and escaped his hands.

I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 8:4-15*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

When a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to [Jesus], he said in a parable: “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold.” As he said these things, he called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that ‘seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard. Then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN

“May God Bestow on Us His Grace” **LSB 824**

SERMON by Pastor Provost

“Our Thorn in the Flesh” 2 Corinthians 11:19-12:9

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“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” **LSB 425**

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CLOSING HYMN

“Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart” **LSB 806**

Divine Service, Setting one from Lutheran Service Book

“Jesus Christ has made every human life indispensable.”

Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life

• lutheransforlife.org

*Happy
Birthday*

2/20 Kayla & Monica Corso
2/23 Chase Maddison
2/26 Joy McGinley

Remember in your prayers.....

✝ Those afflicted by the novel Coronavirus, as well as those who are fearful in this challenging time.

- ✝ Nancy Janssen, hospitalized with serious medical concerns
- ✝ Marlee Marie Calow, born 2/4, both Alisha and baby are doing well
- ✝ Pastor Jerry Doellinger, now home recovering after being recently hospitalized with medical concerns
- ✝ Madison Parmenter, daughter of Tim and Donita Huegel, left for Japan on 1/24, deployed US Navy
- ✝ Gary Petersen, at Park Centre for rehab after a suffering injury from a fall
- ✝ The Family of Deanna Ihde, for her 3 yr. old great-nephew, Myron, recently diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia
- ✝ Frank Howell, son-in-law of Sandy Koch (David), receiving treatment for brain cancer
- ✝ Lana Corso, continuing treatment for breast cancer
- ✝ Felicia Krizman, receiving her last treatment for brain cancer, tolerating well and back to work as she is able
- ✝ Charlene Vesely, residing at Nelson Manor in Newton
- ✝ The Ministry of The Pregnancy Center of Central Iowa
- ✝ The Malaria Initiative and the end of Malaria deaths in the world

✝ *Our Missionaries*

James and Angela Sharp, Uruguay

Carl & Chen Hsi Li Hanson, Korea.

Phillip Magness, West & Central Africa

Rev. Philip & Deaconess Rachel Joseph, Uruguay

2/20/2022

This Week at Our Savior

Day	Date	Time	Description
Sunday	20	9:00 AM	Worship
		10:30 AM	Sunday School and Bible Study
Monday	21	4:00 PM	LWML Meeting
		4:30 PM	Defibrillator Training Session (Newton Fire Dept)
Tuesday	22		
Wednesday	23	9:00 AM	Quilting
		1:30 PM	'Sunday Readings' Bible Study
		4:00 PM	Confirmation Class
Thursday	24		
Friday	25	9:00 AM	Quilting
Saturday	26		
Sunday	27	9:00 AM	Worship
		10:30 AM	Defibrillator Training Session (No adult class)



THE DEFIBRILLATOR IS HERE AND INSTALLED IN THE NARTHEX. Several “training sessions” have been scheduled as follows (all to be held in the Fellowship Hall):

Monday, February 21st at 4:30 p.m. (Note: there will be a brief LWML meeting at 4:00 prior to this session.)

Sunday, February 27th at 10:30 a.m. (Note: there will

be no Adult Class this week.)

Sunday, March 13th at 3:00 p.m. Please plan to participate in one of these sessions to become aware of its benefits and operation. A representative from our Newton Fire Department will be making a presentation and demonstration of this life-saving equipment, as well as responding to questions you may have. The goal of these sessions is that we, as Our Savior Lutheran Church congregation, are as prepared as possible should the need arise to use it.



The start of the Book Study on Christians in A Woke World has been postponed to April 20, the first Wednesday after Easter. This was preferable to having a long break for the Lenten Season

following the initial sessions. Please take the time between now and then to review the book. If you haven't received a copy, and would like one, please talk with Pastor Provost or an Elder.

LENTEN SERVICES BEGIN MARCH 2 AT 7:00 PM WITH ASH WEDNESDAY AND CONTINUING EACH WEDNESDAY THROUGH APRIL 6. THE SERMON SERIES IS TITLED "CONNECTIONS BETWEEN JOSEPH AND JESUS"



Lutheran Women in Mission praise the Lord for opportunities to share His message and love with people in all walks of life throughout our community and the world. We invite you to learn more about the mission and ministry of the LWML by joining us on **Monday, Feb 21 @ 4:00 pm.**



MARK YOUR CALENDAR! During the past two years we have missed some opportunities. We plan to remedy one of those by inviting all members to join us after the service on **Sunday, March 6**, for a special "**Fellowship Sunday**" gathering. At that time, we want to recognize our members who have joined us since the disruption in

services last year and get to know each other better. It will also be an opportunity to reconnect with others, as we enjoy the usual "fellowship fare" – and enjoy the new seating now available in Fellowship Hall.

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