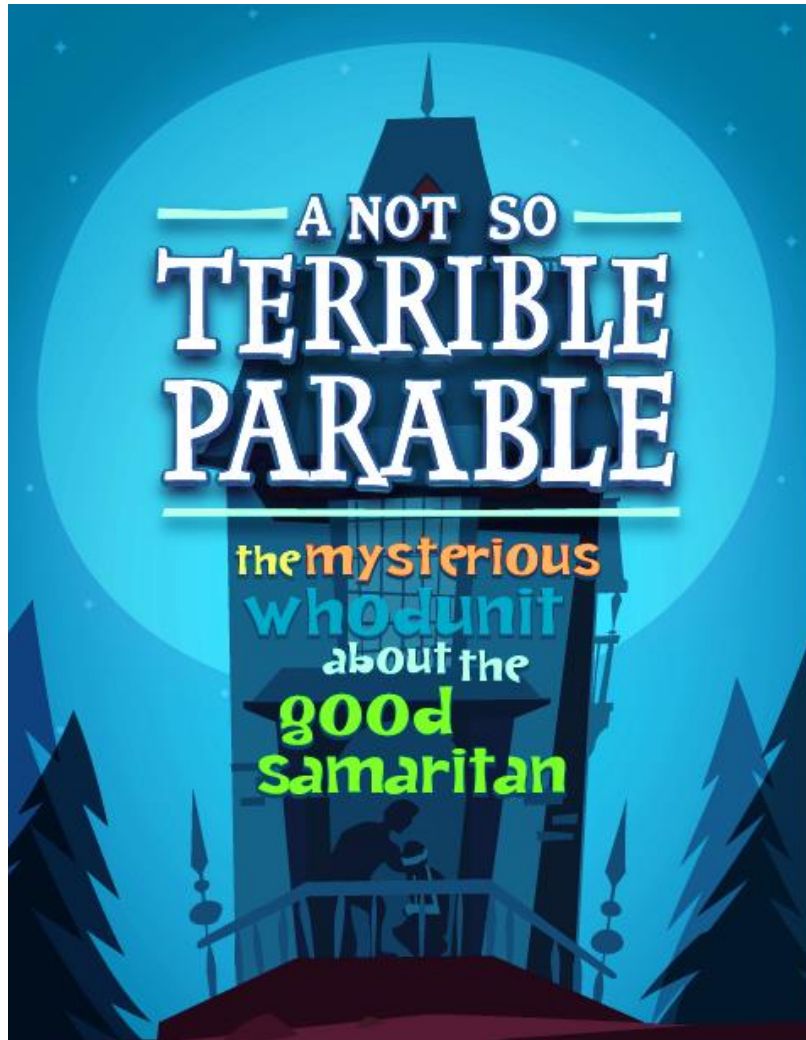

SIDELITES

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

February 2023

Wednesday LinCT Children's Choir Presents:



Created by Steve Moore, Deborah Craig-Claar, Rob Howard, and David Guthrie

Sunday, February 26th at 8:30AM and 10:30AM



Cinnamon and Caramel Rolls will be served by our youth on Sunday, February 26th, between services. There will be a free will donation taken. Funds raised will help send our youth to Camp House this summer! Come and enjoy a roll and coffee, and support our youth on February 26th.



We recently asked our Wednesday Worship Service (mostly made up of Confirmation students and parents) about their favorite thing in the Sanctuary at OSLC. We heard some pretty great responses: the music, the people, the stained-glass window, the bread at communion, the feeling of peace, Silent Night with candles, the candles on the altar and down the aisle, acolyting, the paraments (they said “the pretty cloths” on the altar space), and more. It was a great discussion of our Sanctuary and what makes it a special place to experience God’s presence.

I want to talk about some of the lesser noticed symbols in our Sanctuary that I love, starting with the carvings on our Lectern, Baptismal Font, and Table. They are sometimes covered up by our beautiful paraments, but I love them all the same. On the Lectern, we have a cross rising out of the crown. This is a beautiful symbol that helps us see what our King had to endure to bring us peace; a reminder that our faith is based in a Gospel (good news) of death and resurrection. On our Baptismal Font, we have a dove descending as on the day of Jesus’ baptism. This shows us that we are connected to Christ’s baptism and blessed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. On our Table, we have a simple image of a chalice and bread. A blessing of God’s love proclaimed in the meal we share each week; time for us to seek the mission of God.

Running up either side of the Table, the Font, and the Lectern, are metal reliefs showing stylized grapes and wheat. This ties together all three parts of our altar area in the bonds of sacrament and scripture. Where we are baptized, where we hear the Word of God, and where we are fed with salvation, are all tied into hope for the future.

Around the Altar Area we have a semi-circle where we gather for milestones and Communion. This is an old symbol used in many churches, because the rest of the circle would encompass the cemetery outside of the walls of the church, connecting us to the communion of the saints. This isn’t true in our sanctuary, but I think ours has its own poignant message. It opens up to the world outside our walls, the community in which we live, the rest of the world that God created. We are joined with all of creation in the work of God to bring redemption and healing.

Even our lights have crosses encircling the shades to remind us that Christ is the light of the world, shining light into the shadows of our lives in order to bring us hope.

Look around the Sanctuary and around the church building to see the signs of God’s work among us. Look for the symbols that point us to the Good News of Jesus Christ. Then, go and be a sign for God’s work in the world.

Blessings and Peace,
Pr. Dave

Ash Wednesday Worship

February 22nd at 12:00 Noon and 6:30 PM

Wednesday LinC† will meet on Ash Wednesday. There will be no Confirmation, 5th & 6th Grade Youth Group, Choirs, or Wednesday Supper.



Wednesday Night Suppers

We are so grateful to be gathering on Wednesday evenings for suppers from 5:15PM-6:15PM! Carry-out meals are available each week, just stop by the Social Hall to pick up your supper!



February 1st:

Taco Night

February 8th:

BBQs, Turkey Supreme & Hot Dogs

February 15th:

Pizza

February 22nd:

No Meal – Ash Wednesday

Fat Tuesday Youth Pancake Fundraiser

February 21st, 2023

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Come and get some delicious pancakes (plus more) to celebrate Fat Tuesday! A Gluten Free option will be available, as well as to-go orders.

Cost is \$8.00 per person, \$4.00 for Kids 10 and under. Proceeds will benefit the Youth Summer Trip.



Lent Sunday Sermon Series

“Unfinished - Discovering God’s Call in the Not Yet”

This Lent, join us for our Sunday Sermon Series to learn about God’s calling for us and how we can respond; how God inspires us to do the blessings of God’s mission for the world! Hear how we are:

Called to Renewal

Called to Values

Called to Openness

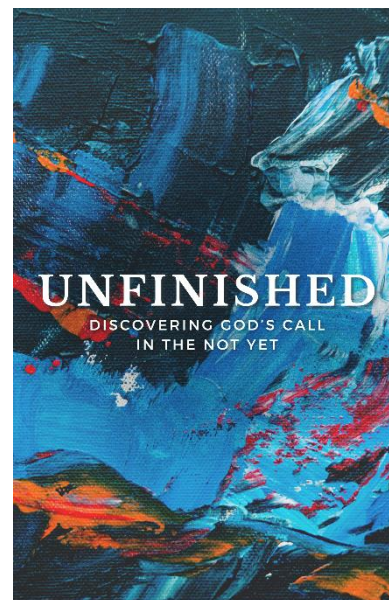
Called by God

Called to Attentiveness

Called to Regret

Called to Experience God’s Presence

Called to Resurrection



Lent Midweek Services

This year, our Wednesday Lenten Services will be at 6:30 PM, beginning March 1st. We will be using Holden Evening Prayer, with a reflection on how we are “Created for Community.” After Ash Wednesday, we will also start our Lenten Meals going from 5:15PM to 6:30PM.

Early Risers Adult Bible Study!

We will meet February 1st, from 7:00 AM-7:45 AM, in the Social Hall. We are continuing our discussion of the book "Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say" by Adam Hamilton. Even if you don't have the book or haven't been at the previous month's conversations, please feel free to attend! Good conversations on faith are had!

Theology on Tap

Join us for Theology on Tap at the Schell's Bier Halle on **February 2nd at 6:30PM!** Come for a night of conversation, discussions about faith, friendship, and a beer or 1919 root beer. *Event for Adults age 21+.*

Faith & Books

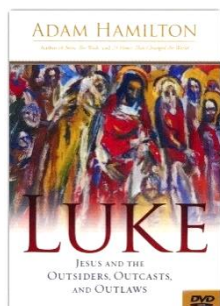
Please note the date change.

Our Savior's Book Group will meet on **Wednesday, February 15th, at 5:30PM** in the Upper Room. Feel free to bring your supper. The book for February is "*The Paris Library*" by Janet Skeslien Charles. Copies of the discussion questions are available in the library.

Youth Bowling

February 17th at 1:00PM

Attention 7th to 12th Graders! On February 17th (yes it's a Friday, but you don't have school that day!) come bowling with OSLC! Meet at Concordia Lanes to bowl from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM! We will provide Pizza and Pop, and you pay for your games. Cost is \$15 to bowl, and will cover three games plus shoe rental.



Adult Lent Study

Join us in between services on Sundays in Lent (beginning Sunday, February 26th) for a study on the Gospel of Luke. We will be using a video series from Adam Hamilton called "*Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws.*" The study requires no outside work or reading, and is a chance to dig a little deeper into your faith. Come for all of the Sundays or just a couple to hear about God's grace in the world.

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FAMILY FUN DAY!

Join us for an afternoon of swimming, games and open gym time for the whole family!

**SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 26
2-4 PM**

NEW ULM REC CENTER

A colorful poster for "Camp Sunday & a fundraising breakfast" on March 26th. The poster features a sun, a guitar, a campfire, and a tent. The text "Join us for" is in green, "CAMP SUNDAY" is in large blue letters, and "& a fundraising breakfast" is in green. The date "MARCH 26th" is in blue. Logos for "GREEN LAKE LUTHERAN ministries" and "gathergrowgo" are also present.

GREEN LAKE LUTHERAN ministries

Join us for

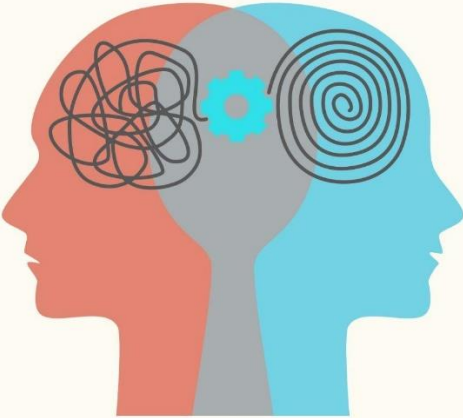
CAMP SUNDAY

& a fundraising breakfast

MARCH 26th

gathergrowgo

Mental Health Talk
Sunday, February 19th at 1:00PM
Our Savior's Lutheran Church Social Hall
Presented by the Adult Ministry Team



TRAUMA & RESILIENCE
Basics

FEBRUARY 19, 2023 1PM-3PM

Understanding how our trauma can affect physical and mental wellbeing is one of the first steps in building **RESILIENCE** - the ability to overcome.

Join us for a community conversation and learn what we can do as individuals, families, and communities to become stronger - **TOGETHER**.

Presented by Erin Schwab - Health Educator
Brown County Public Health

Missions Prayer Corner:

Loving God,

We praise you for creating every human being in your image. Let us each be your hands and voice in all the broken places of our world. Let us show your joy, so that others will share your compassion and love with their neighbors. Amen.



The food library is a ministry of Our Savior's. We are looking for people who would help keep the food library filled. It is kept full of food that will not spoil or freeze, and anyone in the community can stop by and pick up needed food. The food we have for the food library is in the wooden box outside the church office. If you would like to help, a sign-up sheet is located in the Social Hall. Questions? Contact Pastor Kathy or a member of the Missions Team.

“Refresh, Recharge and Renew”

Our Savior’s Women’s Retreat

What: A women’s retreat at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp. We will spend time connecting to God and one another. There will be large group time, small group time, and time for yourself. In our busy and demanding world, we are offering this time away for the women of Our Savior’s.

When: April 21-23, 2023. It will begin Friday evening and end Sunday morning before lunch.

Cost: \$75 - The retreat fee covers housing, meals and other supplies for the retreat. There will be an extra fee for those who choose to have a massage.

Housing Options: You can sign up for an individual room, a room to be shared with one other, or a cabin with several others. The individual rooms and double rooms each have their own restroom.

Sign up: Sign up by filling out a registration form and returning to the church office. The forms are available on the WELCA bulletin board, near the kitchen. Please sign up as soon as possible so we know how many rooms to reserve. You may turn in the form without the registration deposit or fee. A \$40 non-refundable deposit is due by February 14th. The remainder of the fee is due by April 15th. Please make checks payable to Our Savior’s Lutheran Church. If you would like to go and need a scholarship, please speak to Pastor Kathy.



Notes of THANKS

Pastor Kathy, Our Savior’s Quilting Group & Church Family,

Thank you so much for your thoughts and prayers while mom was sick and after she passed. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

- The family of Sandy Franke

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your organization’s recent gift of \$285.44 to Lutheran World Relief! When you love your neighbors with your generous gifts to LWR, you change lives in amazing ways. Thank you again, and God bless you!

- Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard (ret.), President at CEO

Dear Members,

On behalf of Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota, Mankato, I would like to thank you for your generous gift for the support of our programs at LSS. Your commitment to helping those in need in our community is sincerely appreciated. Thanks again for your generous support of our efforts to change live and build a better community.

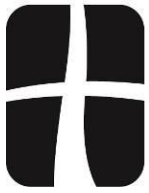
- Heather Hemshrot, Administrative Assistant, LSS/Mankato Office

February 2023

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WEATHER RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

If weather is in question, please check our website and Facebook page for any cancellations or postponements. For midweek classes and programs, we'll follow the lead of the public schools. If ISD 88 dismisses early, choirs, confirmation, and groups will not meet. We will also not hold evening suppers.



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Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship – 8:30AM & 10:30AM

Wednesday Worship – 7:30 PM

Television Broadcasts

(Comcast Channel 14; Nuvera Channel 3)

Mon.–7:00 PM; Thurs. – 5:00 PM

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