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5th Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 17, 2024
Worship 9:00 am

Throughout the service, where you find an asterisk (*) you are invited to stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION * RED pp. 94-96
SHARING OF THE PEACE *
OPENING HYMN * *My Song Is Love Unknown* RED #343
APOSTOLIC GREETING * RED p. 147
KYRIE * RED pp. 147-148
HYMN OF PRAISE * RED pp. 148-149
Glory to God ...
PRAYER OF THE DAY * See Celebrate
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Word

FIRST READING (Response: Thanks be to God.) See Celebrate
PSALM (Chanted responsively by whole verse.) See Celebrate
Psalm Tone #9 RED p. 338
SECOND READING (Response: Thanks be to God.) See Celebrate
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (RED p. 151) & Gospel* See Celebrate
GOSPEL (Responses: *Glory to you, O Lord./Praise to you, O Christ.*)

SERMON
HYMN OF THE DAY * *Seed That in Earth Is Dying* RED #330
APOSTLES' CREED * RED p. 105
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION * See Celebrate

Meal

OFFERTORY VERSE * RED #184
OFFERING
DOXOLOGY *
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*
OFFERTORY PRAYER *
GREAT THANKSGIVING & HOLY, HOLY, HOLY * RED pp. 152-153
WORDS OF INSTITUTION *
LORD'S PRAYER * RED p. 154
LAMB OF GOD * RED p. 154
COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL
*All baptized believers are welcome, including visitors, to the
Table of the Lord! Wine (red) or grape juice (clear) is available.*
COMMUNION BLESSING *
POST COMMUNION CANTICLE
Now, Lord RED #201
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *

Sending

BLESSING * (Response: Amen.)
CLOSING HYMN * *A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth* RED #340
DISMISSAL * (Response: Thanks be to God.)
POSTLUDE

Help us keep an updated prayer list. *If you have placed an individual on our prayer list, please remember to notify the office when that individual can be removed. Thank you.*

Adam Mazur (Linda Schreier's godson), Malane Digon, Pastor Joel, Jennifer Dupilka (Linda Schreier's granddaughter's mother), Abby Keith, Anneke Fleming, Larry Wilt, Marianne McCann, Nedda Pollock family, Betty Nickle, Carol Gerig, Robin Walker (friend of Margo Whittaker), Linda Freed, Betty Hammell, Jason Ziegler (friend of T.J. Johnson), Denise Calamia (friend of Sue DeArmitt), Pastor John Schaertel, Miriam Reinard, Sue Kistler (friend of Andrea Faber), Patsy Bauman, Dottie Koppenhaver, Tracy Burigana (Jesse's father), George Schreffler, John Piazza (Dawne Veet's co-worker), Katherine Keister (friend of Nancy Pinko), Tina Stark (friend of Linda Schreier), Eileen Cera (friend of Linda Freed), John Digon (Malane Digon's brother-in-law), Sara Dooley (Logan family member), Jacqueline Neil (Brad's mother), Nancy Staab (Joan Bateman's sister), Patti Spirk (Logan family friend), Janice Mixell (Jesse Burigana's grandmother), Tommy Weldon, Scott Schneider (Herb Logan's co-worker), Joyce Hrestack (Joel Hain's ex-wife), Yolanda Barron, Linda Freed, Grace & Leroy MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's parents), Mike Boyer (friend of Buriganas), Richard Walker (friend of Margo Whittaker), Deb Nickle (Betty Nickle's daughter-in-law), Marion Tosheff, Mary Louise Shuler, MaryPat & Aaron MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's family members), Todd MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's nephew), Lisa Tosheff (Marion's daughter-in-law), Russ Kolacek (Tom Snyder's son-in-law), Tiffany Crosby, Annabelle Paul, Betty Giovaninello (friend of Linda Schreier), Barbara Hammell (Betty's daughter), Bishop Dunlop.

Pray for our military, especially Ian Bowling, Robert McCann, Jason Nunez, Reed Pollock, Jack Pollock, Maxwell Reilly, Myles Reilly, & George Schreffler, III.

Pray for our shut-ins, especially Shirley Kaltreider, Dottie Koppenhaver, Jean Lisse, Miriam Reinard, Ed Seneca, Tom Snyder.

Our Saviour Mission Statement

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, a caring congregation dedicated to the word of Christ welcomes all people to worship and grow with us as we share His love and salvation with our neighbors, our children and ourselves.

Easter Egg Making Has Begun

It is that time of the year! We are now making Easter eggs. Easter is on March 31, 2024. Due to the increase in the cost of ingredients the price of an egg was increased to \$1.50. This was determined by the church members attending the egg making meeting in November 2023.



Egg making sessions will be on Sunday after our church service & on Thursday and Saturday mornings starting at 8:00 AM.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with mixing and making eggs. Training will be provided to new volunteers. If you have any concerns about standing too long, we have many egg making tasks that can be done while sitting. You do not need to stay for the entire session if your time is limited.

A table is in the Narthex with egg forms for ordering. Also, after egg making starts, there will be eggs that can be purchased for cash and carry.

We cannot do this project without the help of **ALL** church members. Please remember to **SELL** eggs. If you know of any business that would like to sell our eggs, please let us know. **Last day to place orders is March 17, 2024 (TODAY!!!)**. Any questions or concerns, please contact one of the egg chairs.

Egg Committee Chairs are Nadine Martin, Alice Lubrecht and Donna Miller

Manna Food Pantry

Our “2nd Sunday” food collection is still ongoing. During this time of continuously rising food prices & winter heating costs, food pantries are seeing a greater demand of their services. If you would like to donate you may bring your items into the church & place them on the table in the Narthex at any time. There is a list of suggested items now on the table. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mark your envelopes “Manna Food Pantry”, and place it with your regular giving envelope.

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOUR TODAY

- **Welcome pads are on the pews** at the center aisle; please sign and pass to your neighbor. Please include any changes.
- Please put your cell phones on quiet mode.

The bulletins today are sponsored in the Glory of God for more blooming spring flowers.

ASSISTING TODAY

9:00 am	Reader	Marilyn Chubb
	Ushers	Alice & Jim Lubrecht
	Communion Assistants	Deb Flage
	Counters	Donna Miller, Sara Smith, Sandy Moritz

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

9:00 am	Reader	Alice Lubrecht
	Ushers	Nadine & Otis Martin
	Communion Assistants	Jeanette & Herb Logan
	Counters	Neil/Youngblood family

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today	9:00 am	Worship w/Children’s Sunday School Egg Making after worship <u>Last day for egg orders</u> newsletter deadline
Monday, March 18		Pastor Joel @St. Stephen** office closed – vacation day for Barb
	6:00 pm	Praise Him Singers Rehearsal
Wednesday, March 20	5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Soup Supper & Lenten Vespers @Good Shepherd
Thursday, March 21	8:00 am	Egg Making
Saturday, March 23	8:00 am	Egg Making
	9:00 am	Worship

Sunday, March 24

Special Congregational Meeting following worship

**** On Mondays, while Pastor Joel is working in the office of St. Stephen's, he may be reached on his cell #717-798-0416.**

Special Congregational Meeting

There will be a Special Congregational Meeting on Palm Sunday, March 24th (**NEXT SUNDAY!!**), immediately following our worship, to discuss & vote on a new covenant with St. Stephen. This new covenant will be for 3 months, with a 30 day opt-out notice.

A letter with more details can be found in this Sunday's bulletin. Please mark your calendars & plan to attend as **we need a quorum of 30 people** to vote on this important matter.

Invitation To Join With Good Shepherd For Lenten Vespers

The members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church have extended an invitation to their brothers and sisters from Our Saviour to join them on Wednesday evenings during Lent (3/20) for Souper Suppers and Lenten Vespers. The Soup Suppers, which include a simple meal of soups and bread, will begin at 5:30 PM in All Saints Hall in the basement followed by Lenten Vespers at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Please consider making this a part of your Lenten journey.

An Invitation to Agape Meal (Maundy Thursday worship)

Members of Our Saviour are invited to St. Stephen's Maundy Thursday Agape Meal and service on March 28th at 6:30 p.m. in their Fellowship Hall. The meal will then be followed by a Maundy Thursday worship. St. Stephens will provide all the food so they are just inviting us to join them. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you plan to attend. **Deadline to sign-up is March 24th (NEXT SUNDAY)!!**

Synod Assembly Voting Members Needed

The Synod Assembly this year will be held May 31st (online) and June 1st (in person). **We are looking for 2 volunteers** to represent us at the Assembly, 1 lay female and 1 lay male, both voting members. If you are interested or have any questions, please call the church office or Pastor Joel. Thank you.

Family Promise

Our Saviour, along with Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, will be hosting Family Promise Sunday evening, April 7 through Sunday morning, April 14, 2024.

Won't you **please** consider providing a meal, driving the van, or sleeping overnight at the Church?

Sign-up sheets are posted in the Narthex.

Thank you! Nadine Martin

Sponsorship of Sunday bulletins for 2024

Sign-up sheets to sponsor our Sunday bulletins for the entire year, **2024** are now on the bulletin board! The cost to sponsor remains \$12.30.

Updating Our Prayer List

Please look over our prayer list & if you have someone that is on the list but is no longer in need of prayers, please inform the church office (phone call or e-mail) or you may take today's bulletin, cross their name off & place it in Barb's church mailbox (top row, left hand side).

Jesus Said, "Let the Little Children Come to Me."

We have Children's Sunday School on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month during the service. At each session the children complete a craft and enjoy a snack. **The class will be held today & our April classes will be on April 7th & 21st.** Children will be excused for their lesson after the children's message. Please share our news with anyone you know who may be interested. We welcome every child to join us and learn!

Donations Please!

The Welcome Committee is asking for donations for our 1st Sunday Socials. If you would like to donate baked goods please sign up on the sheet that is on the Welcome Committee bulletin board directly beside the main entrance door in the Narthex. Thank you!

Upcoming In-Between Events

Saturday, September 21, 2024

Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre

“Jersey Boys”

Anneke & Dan Fleming will sponsor a dinner show at the Dutch Apple Theatre in Lancaster, PA. The show features *“The Jersey Boys”*. Important details are listed on the “sign-up sheet” in the Narthex. Questions/comments, see Anneke or Dan. You can contact them by phone at (717) 652-9367 or (717) 608-4623. **Our sign-up deadline for this event is March 24, 2024 (NEXT SUNDAY!!).**

Save the Date – Our Spring Banquet

We will be having a spring banquet on Wednesday, May 8, 2024 beginning at 6pm, here at Our Saviour.

Tickets will go on sale beginning **today** through April 28, 2024.

Tickets are \$18 for adults and children under 10 are \$5. We will have a catered dinner, entertainment and door prizes. Mark your calendars & please join us!

Menu:

Baked stuffed chicken breast w/gravy

Scalloped potatoes

Green beans almondine

Tossed salad w/dressing

Roll & butter

Dessert & beverages

Entertainment:

Dancers from the Harrisburg Scottish Country Dance Society