

The Messenger

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LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"A Church Where God's Diversity Works"

FROM PASTOR BARBARA:

We are privileged to be the host congregation for two Synod sponsored events in March. On Saturday, the 13th, the annual **Congregational Leaders Event (CLE)** will be held at Our Savior's for the second year. This event started several years ago as an opportunity for Presidents and Vice-Presidents of congregations to meet other leaders, learn new skills, and have time with the Synod Bishop. Secretaries and Treasurers were soon added. The popular and well-run event expanded to Council members and then to all leaders over the years. If you are a leader or are simply interested in becoming a leader, or are interested in the topics, you are welcome to attend.

Our new Greater Milwaukee Synod Bishop, Jeff Barrow, will be the keynote speaker. Loretta Horton, formerly of the ELCA Churchwide office, will lead two workshops on "Lazarus at the Gate." The workshops are an introduction to the book by the same title which explores issues of poverty and power. Copies of the book are available in the church office for a donation of \$13. The CLE always proves to be a great educational and spiritually uplifting event for those who attend. Registration fees will be covered for those who are in current leadership positions at Our Savior's. Contact the church office with questions or to register.

The second event, to be held on Saturday, March 20, is sponsored by the Reconciling in Christ Ministry Team of the Synod. The RIC

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MARCH

2010

Midweek Lenten Services

begin

Wednesday,
February 24
at Central United
Methodist

25 & Wisconsin Av
6:00 p.m. Supper
6:45 p.m. Service

Wednesday, March 10

It's our turn! Seeking
soup, cookies, bread
and kitchen volunteers
for the mid-week Lenten
supper and service at
Central U.M.

Tuesday, March 2

Book of Faith resumes

Sunday, March 14

Daylight Savings Time
begins

March 13 & 20

Plan to attend and/or
help host two synod-
wide special events

Sunday, March 21

3:00 p.m.
Chili Dump & Games

Holy Week / Easter

See p. 3 for schedule



Our Savior's is a

member of Central City Churches, Inc.

and is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

A church where God's diversity works

Church Council

Phil Enockson - President

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Our Savior's Mission Statement

Our Savior's Lutheran Church is a diverse community of loved sinners gathered in the central city of Milwaukee:

- created by God the Father Almighty;
- redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ;
- united in celebrating God's act of salvation in Word and Sacrament;
- called to be the body of Christ;
- and empowered by the Spirit with a variety of gifts for ministry.

Our purpose/ as a congregation and as individuals/ is to:

- be a visible and tangible sign of the body of Christ in metropolitan Milwaukee;
- acknowledge the reign of God by living out God's forgiveness, love and justice with all creation
- and use the diversity of gifts given us by the Spirit for proclaiming anew the healing and liberating Good News of Jesus Christ.

As the body of Christ in this city we:

- celebrate the presence of the living God in our lives/ congregation/ community and world;
- proclaim the Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ
- administer the sacraments of Baptism and Communion;
- welcome as sisters and brothers, persons of any age/ gender, racial/ or ethnic heritage/economic status, mental or physical ability or sexual orientation;
- act as a messenger of hope in the redemption of the city;
- empower people to live as children of God;
- respect the witness/ insight and gifts of one another;
- support ministries of service to people in need locally and globally;
- advocate on behalf of those who are oppressed;
- and establish partnerships with the Global Christian Community.

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program is a way for congregations to declare that they are intentional about including those who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered in the life of the congregation. The program began in 1984 and has over 450 congregations, synods, colleges, and seminaries on its roster. The Greater Milwaukee Synod declared itself to be a RIC setting in 1991. Our Savior's followed soon after. However, it wasn't until 2002 that official recognition was made and a certificate was posted in our Lobby.

For 15 years RIC congregations have made a statement and worked to welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. In 2009 Churchwide Assembly resolutions made the ELCA fully inclusive stating that gay and lesbian persons in committed relationships are eligible to be on the roster of church leaders. The Assembly also approved blessings of same gender relationships by pastors and congregations.

The event **LIVING OUTLOUD: Faithfully Celebrating God's Gifts**, rejoices in the gifts of all of God's children. Quoting Pastor Carol Tomer, Co-President of The Lutheran Network for Inclusive Vision (also Pastor Fran Odden's niece), "We cannot hold back from sharing this good news of God's wide welcome that the ELCA is trying to live out. We believe that these changes in policy will strengthen the mission of the church." We have heard similar statements from people around us, reflecting the need to get the word out,

so that all people know they are welcome here in this congregation. You are invited to register for the day or a portion of it using the form on page 7 of this newsletter.

Both of these events need your talents for hospitality to be put to use. Please sign up in the church office lobby to help out in whatever manner you are able.

Praying for continued growth in the wideness of God's mercy and grace,

Pastor Barbara

Lent and Holy Week Services 2010

Mid-week Services February 24, March 3-24

at Central United Methodist, 25 & Wisconsin
Supper 6:00 p.m. - Service 6:45 p.m.

Palm/Passion Sunday, March 28

One Service at 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 1

Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday, April 2

Service 1:30 p.m. at Our Savior's
Way of the Cross beginning at 3:00 p.m. at St. Rose, 30th and Michigan

Easter Sunday, April 4

Sunrise Service 6:00 a.m.
followed by Easter Breakfast 7:30 a.m.
Easter Festival Service 10:00 a.m.

FROM PASTOR BETTY

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.

Ecclesiastes 3:1

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In the month of February we studied Eric Law's book in a group on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. It was well attended and with great excitement many of you have expressed their gratitude on this experience. I really believe that this educational effort has come at the right time to open our minds and hearts to really strive for us to be a multicultural, diverse, inclusive congregation. I even use the term "*kairos*" to define this time in which we are living.



Why Kairos? In Greek, one word for time is *chronos*, which is the measurable passage of time (minutes, hours, days, weeks, etc.) Another word is *kairos*, which means "the right time", the decisive, critical time when opportunity and action intersect. Kairos has no past, present or future. It is when eternity breaks into time and forces us to make choices and take decisions.

In theology the term "kairos" is used to describe the qualitative form of time. In the New Testament "kairos" means "the appointed time in the purpose of God," specifically the time when God acts (e.g. Mark 1:15, the time [Kairos] has come [or fulfilled], the kingdom of God is near).

The increasing membership, the new life that is vibrating inside of this congregation, plus the training, the book study and the formation of the multicultural team, are for me some signs of this Kairos for Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

I am inviting *all of you* to be an active part of this critical time when opportunity and action is required to make possible that the signs of the kingdom of God can be fulfilled in our midst.

May the peace of our inclusive God be with you all!

Pastor Betty Baires

The Messenger

Join Us for Mid-week Lenten Worship, Soup and Stories

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STORIES OF HOPE
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Our Lenten gathering begins with a meal at 6:00 p.m. followed by worship at 6:45 p.m. each Wednesday in Lent. Join us as we listen to hear the stories of hope amidst the cries of anguish.

Hear from Afro-Colombians about their struggle against corruption,

See videos highlighting women's struggles against violence and oppression,

Listen to immigrants struggling for freedom in a land not always welcoming
and more...

Join the congregations of Central United Methodist, Our Savior's, Redeemer and St. Paul's on February 24, March 3, 10, 17 and 24th at:

Central United Methodist Church

639 North 25th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Note: Our Savior's is responsible for the soup supper and worship leaders on Wednesday, March 10th. Please consider volunteering to make a pot of soup, cookies, or bring bread and butter. Contact Penny in the church office to sign up to help with this Lenten supper on March 10th.

**Our Savior's hosts...
17th Annual Congregational Leaders Event
Saturday March 13, 2010
8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Keynote Speaker: New Greater Milw Synod Bishop Rev. Jeff Barrow

The 2010 Congregational Leaders Event sponsored by our Greater Milwaukee Synod will be held on Saturday March 13th at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. We will be returning to our regular format this year including multiple opportunities for workshops. Bishop Elect Jeff Barrow will deliver the key note address. We will also have time with Loretta Horton former ELCA director for Poverty Ministries Networking, author and project manager for Lazarus at the Gate: Writings and Reflections on Poverty and Wealth.

Schedule of Event

7:30	Registration
8 am	Welcome
8:15	Worship
9:15	Key Note Address
10:15	Break
10:30	1 st Work Shop
Noon	Lunch
12:30	Message from Loretta Horton
1:15	2 nd Work Shop
2:50	Closing prayer

The registration fee is still \$20 per participant for the first 5 people from one congregation. For the 6th person and beyond, the cost is \$10 per person. Registration forms must be received together to receive this discount.

Registration forms must be received by Friday March 5th.

Workshops will include the following topics

Treasurer's Forum	President's Forum
Conversation with the Bishop	Stewardship
Antiracism	Multicultural
Communications	Urban/Suburban Partnerships
Care of Creation	Outreach for Hope
Lazarus at the Gate	Poverty & Wealth

Watch the website <http://www.milwaukeeesynd.org> for more information on the workshops. Contact Penny in the church office to register by March 5th.

The GREATER MILWAUKEE SYNOD RECONCILING IN CHRIST MINISTRY TEAM INVITES YOU TO

LIVING OUT LOUD: FAITHFULLY CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFTS

FEATURING: REVEREND BARBARA LUNDBLAD
Saturday, March 20, 2010 at Our Savior's

SATURDAY AGENDA

- 8:30 – Morning Registration
- 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Especially for RIC/LCNA folk
 - Barbara Lundblad shares spiritual, theological, biblical resources for staying on the journey.
- 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. – Afternoon Registration Begins
- 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Workshops
 - A. Living into RIC – as a synod, congregation, individual
 - B. Gary Liedtke – “CWA Actions” – Post Assembly Reflections
- 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. – Break
- 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. – Workshops
 - C. The Intersectionality of “Isms”
 - D. The T in LGBT – One Person’s Story in the ELCA
- 4:30 p.m. – Worship with Barbara Lundblad preaching
- 6:00 p.m. – Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. – Reception

Sunday, March 21, 2010

Pastor Lundblad preaches at the 8:30 and 11:00 services at Mount Zion Lutheran Church,

LIVING OUT LOUD COST (Registration due by 3-8-10)

- \$25.00 for entire event
- \$15.00 for morning presentation and lunch
- \$15.00 for afternoon workshops, dinner, worship and reception
- Freewill offering for evening worship and reception

Scholarships available

Please detach and return this section with your check by March 8, 2010

LIVING OUT LOUD: FAITHFULLY CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFTS

NAME _____ CONGREGATION _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____ All Day Morning Afternoon

____ I request a scholarship ____ I would like to contribute \$ _____ to the scholarship fund

Make checks payable to Greater Milwaukee Synod RIC Ministry Team

Mail to Bill Wood at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3022 W. Wisconsin Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53208-3950

A Stewardship Thought

“For to all those who have, more will be given” Mathew 25:29

One day Jesus told the story about several persons who had received a number of special blessings.

One of the recipient was so excited concerning his blessing that he became fearful that he might lose it, so he did all that he could to protect it from possible loss.

The other recipients were equally excited concerning their blessings, however they considered their blessings as something to be shared. By sharing, their blessings were multiplied several times over.

In the end the recipients who shared their blessings with others received even more blessings. (an interpretation of Jesus' Parable of the Talents -- Matthew 25.)

The following song was composed by an unnamed author for a Lutheran School located in Napa, California. It was intended to be the theme song for the 2001-02 school year.

Verse 1

*Oh my Jesus, you have blessed me
You died for me to take my sin away
Now you live your life in me
And the love received is love I give away*

Verse 2

*Oh my Jesus, make me a blessing
In my work and play, in everything I do
Oh let your blessing flow through me
That in seeing me, may others see you*

Chorus

*Blessed to be a blessing
Blessed to live your love
Blessed to share with others every blessing from above
Blessed to walk in mercy
Blessed to light the way
Oh, Blessed to be a blessing every day*



Let us all seek to be a blessing to others every day!

Pastor Bob
Stewardship Team

SPONSOR SPRING PLANTS FOR EASTER



Help decorate the church for Easter Sunday, April 4. This year we have ordered white Easter lilies and Asiatic lilies in assorted colors which will be placed in the chancel area. These will be quality plants purchased from Mileagers in Racine and may be purchased or sponsored for \$9.00. Please indicate on the order form if you wish to give your plant in memory or honor of someone. The names will be listed in the Easter bulletins.

You may pick up a plant after the 10:00 a.m. service on Easter Sunday, or you may designate to have it delivered to a homebound member.

We are also accepting contributions to help cover the costs of the cut palm fronds for Palm Sunday. You may use this form to enclose with your special gift. We are ordering palms through Lutheran World Relief Eco-Palms this year, where the money paid for the palms will benefit those who labor.

Spring Plant ORDER FORM - *place in offering plate or return to church office*

NAME _____ TELEPHONE # _____

_____ (HOW MANY?) PLANTS @ \$9.00 EACH = TOTAL \$ _____

(check one) ___ in memory of (or) ___ in honor of _____

I WILL PICK UP MY PLANT(S)

PLEASE DELIVER MY PLANT(S) TO A HOMEBOUND MEMBER

I WILL HELP DELIVER PLANTS (CALL PENNY TO SIGN UP)

I HAVE ENCLOSED A DONATION FOR PALMS (AMT) \$ _____

Office Use	
\$ _____	paid
_____	date







March

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Wed

<p> March 10th is Our Savior's night to sponsor the Mid-week Lenten Service at Central United Methodist. Contact the church office to help with the soup supper that evening.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Hi Hopes</p>	<p>2 2:30 p.m. All Staff Meeting 4:00 p.m. Book of Faith 5:30 p.m. Supper 6:00 p.m. Book of Faith (repeat) 6:30 p.m. Outreach Team 7:00 p.m. Liturgy Plan for 8:30</p>	<p>3 12:00 Prayer Service/Lunch 6:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Supper at Central UM - service at 6:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 3AM Rehearsal</p>
<p>7 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, Coffee & Fellowship, Book Study</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 2:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 4:00 p.m. Book of Faith 5:30 p.m. Supper 6:00 p.m. Book of Faith (repeat) 7:00 p.m. Foundation Meeting</p>	<p>10 10:00 a.m. CCC Board Meeting at St. James 12:00 Prayer Service/Lunch 6:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Supper at Central UM - service at 6:45 p.m.</p> <p></p>
<p>14 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, Coffee & Fellowship, Book Study 3:00 p.m. Bishop Ordination at Holy Cross LC in Men Fls</p>	<p>15 Turn your clock ahead for Mar 14</p> <p></p>	<p>16 2:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 4:00 p.m. Book of Faith 5:30 p.m. Supper 6:00 p.m. Book of Faith (repeat)</p>	<p>17 9:30 a.m. Leah Circle 12:00 Prayer Lunch 3:00 p.m. West End 6:00 p.m. Midweek Lent supper at Central UM, service at 6:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 3AM rehearsal</p>
<p>21 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, Coffee & Fellowship, Book Study 3:00 p.m. Chili Dump/Games</p> <p></p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 2:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 4:00 p.m. Book of Faith 5:30 p.m. Supper 6:00 p.m. Book of Faith (repeat)</p>	<p>24 12:00 Prayer Service/Lunch 6:00 p.m. 3AM Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Supper & Service at Central United Meth</p>
<p>28 Palm/Passion Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship/ receiving new members and reading of the Passion</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 2:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 4:00 Book of Faith 5:30 p.m. Supper 6:00 p.m. Book of Faith (repeat)</p>	<p>31 12:00 Prayer Service/Lunch 6:00 p.m. 3AM Rehearsal</p>

* Guests

You may contact the church

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4	<p>12 noon Kitchen Klub 5:00 p.m. Sacred Places Meeting 6:30 p.m. Diakonia* 7:00 p.m. New Member class 7:15 p.m. Senior Choir</p>	6	<p>9:00 a.m. NA Group Meeting PLT Meeting 3:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study</p>
11	<p>9:30 a.m. Quilting 12:00 noon Kitchen Klub Medical Career Event 3:00 p.m. CCC OM Advisory 5:30 Arts Team Meeting 6:30 p.m. Diakonia* 7:00 p.m. New Member class 7:15 p.m. Senior Choir</p>	12	<p>8:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Congregational Leaders Event—Keynote: Bishop Jeff Barrow 3:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study</p>
18	<p>19:00 Who Care MPS* all day 12 noon Kitchen Klub 6:30 p.m. Diakonia* 7:00 p.m. New Member Class 7:15 p.m. Senior Choir Practice</p>	20	<p>Living Out Loud 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Keynote: rev. Bar- bara Lundblad 3:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study</p>
25	<p>26 12 noon Kitchen Klub 6:30 p.m. Diakonia* 7:00 p.m. New Member Class 7:15 p.m. Senior Choir</p>	27	<p>9:00 a.m. NA Group Meeting 3:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study today</p>

office or consult the website for up-to-date meeting and event information. Tel: 414-342-5252 www.oslcmilw.org

Hope and Opportunity



The Hope

Central City Churches Outreach Ministry served over 13,000 people in 2009 because of your generous support. Through your offerings to Our Savior's and to the CCC Outreach Ministry directly, we were able to receive everyone in need with hospitality, food and the love of Christ. On behalf of the staff, volunteers and people served, thank you.

As we enter the New Year we have hope because of generous support from individuals as well as foundation grants including a \$5000 Community Economic Bridge Grant from Thrivent for Lutherans which was awarded to the CCC last month. This support gives hope both to those who receive services from the Outreach Ministry as well as those who do the ministry. It also affirms you, the supporters, by recognizing the importance of continuing the ministry.

The Opportunity

In addition to the \$5000 grant, Thrivent has challenged us to raise up to \$10,000 before March 31, 2010. They will match dollar for dollar contributions from individuals up to \$10,000. This is an opportunity to secure the ability of the Outreach Ministry to continue to serve the neighborhood of Central City Churches. **Many thanks to those who have already sent contributions! More is needed to meet the \$10,000 challenge. Remember that your gift will be matched if it is received this month.**

- I Will Help -

I understand that my contribution to the Central City Churches Outreach Ministry that is received before March 31, 2010, will be matched dollar-for-dollar by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

Enclosed please find my contribution in the amount of \$_____.

Name_____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

____ I wish to be contacted about my desire to volunteer at the CCC Outreach Ministry.

Telephone _____ *Send this form to:*

CCC Outreach Ministry, 3022 W Wisconsin Avenue Milwaukee WI 53208 before Mar 31

Sharing at Easter

It is time to make your donation to sponsor a Easter food basket for the Central City Churches Outreach Ministry. Like Thanksgiving and Christmas, there will be a drawing of names from among those who have come to the food pantry in the last 3 months. Those people will be notified to come pick up a holiday food basket. The number of baskets available will be determined by number of donations received. The cost of each basket of food is \$30.



We would like to include one or two small gifts with each basket. Potholders, dishtowels, wrapped Easter candy, scented soaps, lotions etc. add something special to the holiday basket. Bring your donated items to the church office, marked "CCC Easter Baskets".

Your help is also needed to assemble and distribute the baskets. Please contact Gail Jacobsen 414-321-4738 or Alicia Ellis 414-342-1522 to sign up to help.

Thank you!

Donation for Easter Holiday Baskets

- Please return by March 20 -

Name _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **Zip** _____

Enclosed is my donation of \$_____ (\$30 each basket) for Easter holiday food baskets.

Place in the offering plate on Sunday or send to the church office:

Our Savior's Lutheran Church 3022 W Wisconsin Av Milwaukee WI 53208

News from OSLC Women - *Dolores Schrubba reporting*

Cookies for Luther Manor

On Sunday, March 28, we will collect cookies for the Luther Manor Home and Health Center. Store-bought cookies only, please, will be accepted. PLAIN, no nuts. Please bring them to the church kitchen on March 28 and mark them "For Luther Manor". Keep those coffee carts rolling! Thanks!

Thank You!

Thank you, thank you to all who contributed to the fund for the support of Dana Dutcher serving as a missionary in Japan. A check for \$3000 was sent to the ELCA Global Missionary Support office as a sponsor. We are looking forward to hearing from Dana and will give you an update of her ministry and experience in Japan. Thanks again!

The Greater Milwaukee Synod Women of the ELCA Clusters III and IV and the Coalition

invite all women to their annual spring event

Saturday, March 13

at Luther Manor

Linden Room, North Terrace Dining Room

4545 N 92 Street

Theme: "Called"

8:30 Registration

9:00 - 12 noon Bible Study and Program

Pastor Kristine Totzke, Martin Luther Luth Church - Bible Study Leader

Pastor Diane Olson, Nativity Lutheran Church - Speaker

Pastor Olson will share her experiences traveling through China

12 noon - Lunch, Chicken Piccata \$10

Registration Only \$2 (includes morning refreshments)

Register by March 4: Mail your check to Jan Fox, Treasurer

4120 Carnaby Lane, New Berlin WI 53151

HOLY WEEK SERVICES – New Times

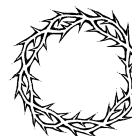
This year's Holy Week services begin with **Palm Sunday** on March 28. There will be one service at **10:00** with a procession of Palm branches, a dramatic reading of the Passion from Luke, and the reception of new members.



The **Maundy Thursday** service will be at **6:30 p.m.** including Foot Washing, Holy Communion and the Stripping of the Altar.



The **Good Friday** service will be a Tenebrae service beginning at **1:30 p.m.** concluding with the traditional veiling of the cross. Tenebrae is the Latin for "darkness", remembering the darkness that came over the land at the crucifixion of Jesus. Yet, even in the darkness and sadness, Christ is exalted on the cross. We read the Passion according to John, which sees Jesus' death as his glorification.



Following the service we will join the other Central City Churches' members and community friends to walk the **Way of the Cross**. We will gather at St. Rose Catholic, 31st and Michigan, at **3:00 p.m.**, and conclude the walk at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 19th and Wisconsin Avenue.

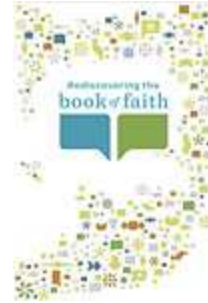


Easter morning begins with a **Sunrise Celebration of the Resurrection service at 6:00 a.m.**, including the unveiling of the cross. A **breakfast** for all begins at **7:30**. A **Festival of the Resurrection** will be at **10:00 a.m.** Both services include Holy Communion.



Book of Faith Classes Resume March 2

If you are interested in the Biblical stories of "A GARDNER, TWO TRAVELERS, AND A CHEAT" please sign up to join us for the next Book of Faith series on Tuesdays. Beginning March 2, there will be two times to choose from. The first session will be at 4:00 p.m. followed by a light supper at 5:30. The second session on the same material will begin at 6:00. The classes will again be led by a combination of the Pastors, Bill Wood and Jane Bosman-Clark. The books for this series are free as they were donated by a congregation who has used them.



The book study continues Sundays in March at 10:00 a.m.

"The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb"

A spirituality for Leadership in a Multicultural Community

By Eric H. F. Law

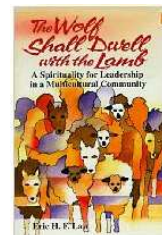
We are asking questions of one another about the future of the church...the future of Our Savior's Milwaukee, of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, of the ELCA, of the church universal...

Why do we have to be inclusive?

Is it necessary to be multicultural?

Are we called by God to live in a diverse and inclusive community?

One opportunity to ask these questions and more on Sundays in February at 10:00 a.m. with our study of Eric Law's book "The Wolf Shall Dwell With the Lamb". The books are available to purchase from the church office for \$13 OR you may wish to borrow a book from a member of the Church Council, PLT or an Outreach Team member, who have used the book this fall. Our discussions, continuing on January 31, will raise the questions and begin to help us find the answers to our challenges to live in multicultural community.





St. Patty's Party
Sunday, March 21 3:00 p.m.
Chili Dump and Games

Okay, well, the date isn't exactly ON St. Patrick's Day...but, it's close enough to lend its theme to our party! We had such fun last year and we missed YOU! So put this on your calendar and plan to come and bring your friends. Also bring your cards, board games, and be prepared to join in the game of your choice. Oh, and also start thinking about your chili recipe. The Arts Team will provide bread as well as onions/cheese/sour cream and brownies for dessert. Contact Norma Fogle or Joan Totten with your questions or suggestions. This event is being sponsored by the Arts Team.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES

Thursday evenings in March

Time to be determined: call Pastor Barbara or Pastor Betty

Several people have inquired about membership recently. Pastor Betty and Pastor Barbara will lead classes on being Lutheran and becoming a member of Our Savior on Thursday evenings in March. The exact time of the sessions will be set according to the schedules of those interested. Please contact one of the pastors or the church office if you are interested.



WORSHIP LEADERS FOR MARCH SUNDAYS

<i>Schedule</i>	Sunday March 7	Sunday March 14	Sunday March 21	Sunday March 28
Assisting Minister	8:30 Paula Holman 11:00 Walt Chossek	8:30 & 11:00 Jane Bosman-Clark	8:30 & 11:00 Gail Jacobsen	8:30 & 11:00 Paul Brynildson
Reader	8:30 Norma Fogle 11:00 Penny Schwid	8:30 Karen Schneble 11:00 Walt Chossek	8:30 Hannah McLean 11:00 Bob Foley	8:30 John Schneble 11:00 Penny Schwid
Communion Server	8:30 Norma Fogle 11:00 Bill Wood	8:30 Steve Oakland 11:00 Jane Bosman-Clark	8:30 Hannah McLean 11:00 Gail Jacobsen	8:30 Bill Wood 11:00 Paul Brynildson
Acolyte	8:30 Norma Fogle 11:00 Bill Wood	8:30 Steve Oakland 11:00 Jane Bosman-Clark	8:30 Hannah McLean 11:00 Bill Wood	8:30 Bill Wood 11:00 Paul Brynildson
Sacristy	8:30 Judy Pinger, Doris Sorvick 11:00 Penny Schwid	8:30 & 11:00 Jane Bosman-Clark	8:30 Jerry & LaVonne Williams 11:00 Bill Wood	8:30 Nancy and Frank Schultz 11:00 Penny Schwid
Gift Bearer families 8:30	McLean	Cason	James	Pinger
Sound Room 8:30	Jane Bosman-Clark	Paul Schneble	Jane Bosman-Clark	Paul Schneble



March Birthdays

James, Deborah	03/03	Young, Richard	03/17
James, Dennis	03/05	Enockson, Philip	03/19
Seymour, Elizabeth	03/05	Otero, Willie	03/19
Schultz, Franklin	03/08	Jacobsen, Barbara	03/20
Ross, Robert	03/09	Lasley, Terri	03/21
Renz, Josta	03/10	Otero Ingvaldstad, Orlando	03/22
Wallner, Kenneth	03/10	Birk, Andrew	03/23
Palmer, Paige	03/12	Brynildson, Marie	03/23
Viste, Cheryl	03/12	Lukach, Richard	03/25
Schneble, Karen	03/14	Ross, Janet	03/25
Walsberger, Stephen	03/14	Johnsen, Shirley	03/26
Arvelo, Tammy	03/15	Melchert, Marie	03/26
Young, Nancy	03/15	Ingvaldstad Otero, Tanya	03/29
Reger, Donald	03/16	Schneider, Edward	03/31
Palmer, Jalarria	03/17		

*Happy
Birthday!*

*May God
bless you!*

A PASTORAL CARE NOTE

Churches and pastors are not normally notified when members are hospitalized. Therefore, we ask that you, a family member or a friend let us know when you are in need of a pastoral visit. Don't worry about duplicate notices. It is better that we are notified by several people, than not at all.

Thank you,

Pastors Barbara and Betty

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE
REQUESTED FOR...**

**Don Reger
Marion Geddert
Kathy Trudel-Salazar
Carla Tee Johnson**



Deaths

The prayers of the congregation are requested for the families and friends of these sisters in faith.

Michelle A. Jaeger, January 24, 2010

Mary P. Anderson, February 5, 2010

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