



LORD of LOVE
Lutheran Church

Third Sunday in Lent



Exactly What I Need...Water



Welcome! We are so happy you have come to worship today! Someone has described worship as “a joyful dialogue with God.” God speaks to us in his Word, and we speak to him in praise and prayer. May God richly bless you through this “joyful dialogue” today!

Restrooms – The restrooms are located straight ahead as you enter the building. You will also find restrooms in the lower level gathering space at the end of the classrooms on the right side before the exit doors.

Parent’s Room – The sound of children in the house of the Lord is music to our ears! However, there is also a parent room to the right just before you enter the sanctuary if your little one needs a moment. It is accessed as you exit the sanctuary, on the left, next to the seats reserved for families with small children.

Busy Bags Available – Located in our entry area is a rack on which you will find "busy bags" for children. Each bag contains things that may help our youngest worshippers sit through the service. Please feel free to grab a bag at the beginning of service! We ask only that you return the bag at the end of worship today. Thank you.

Assistance Getting Around – There is a walker and a wheelchair available in the fellowship hall. Anyone who needs them is welcome to use them. Please speak to an usher if you need help accessing them.

Offering Message – The offerings gathered this morning supports the Gospel ministry of Lord of Love locally, and the global mission of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Visitors need not feel obligated to give but certainly may if you wish.

Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close (or closed) communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or other congregations of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.

Explanation of the theme of the day: I recognize my deep spiritual thirst. I long for a good relationship with God and for everlasting life. I am tempted to satisfy that deep thirst with worldly things, a strategy doomed to failure. I realize that my thirst is satisfied only by the one who said, “If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink.” Jesus meets my greatest need. Jesus is life-giving “water” for my soul.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

March 8, 2026

DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING HYMN (CW 338)

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this



me and rest; Lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down Your
free - ly give The liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; Stoop
dark world's light. Look un - to me; your morn shall rise And



head up - on my breast." I came to Je - sus as I
down and drink and live." I came to Je - sus, and I
all your day be bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I



was, Wea - ry and worn and sad; I found in
drank Of that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was
found In him my star, my sun; And in that



him a rest - ing place, And he has made me glad.
quenched, my soul re - vived, And now I live in him.
light of life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89.

Tune: VOX DILECTI (CM D) John B. Dykes, 1823-76.



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

STAND

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Mark 10:47

Kyrie

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: **Christ, have mercy.**

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: **Amen.**

*Here the Gloria in Excelsis is normally sung in the service.
During the season of Lent, however, this song of praise is omitted.*

THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

The entire Israelite community set out on their journey from the Wilderness of Sin as the LORD had commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² So the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why are you quarreling with me? Why are you testing the LORD?" ³ But the people were thirsty for water there, so they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you ever bring us up out of Egypt to let us, our children, and our livestock die of thirst?" ⁴ Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me!" ⁵ The LORD said to Moses, "Go in front of the people, and take the elders of Israel with you. Also take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ Watch me. I will stand there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. You are to strike the rock. Water will come out of it, and the people will drink." Moses did that in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ He named the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

CHOIR ANTHEM

God So Loved

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst."

GOSPEL LESSON

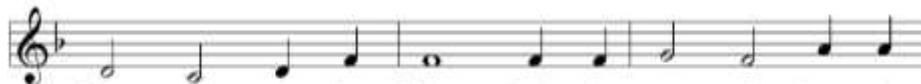
John 8:37-44

³⁷ On the last and most important day of the festival, Jesus stood up and called out, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink!" ³⁸ As the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from deep within the person who believes in me." ³⁹ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were going to receive. For the Holy Spirit had not yet come, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

⁴⁰ After hearing his words, some of the people said, "This is truly the Prophet." ⁴¹ Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Surely the Christ does not come from Galilee, does he? ⁴² Doesn't the Scripture say that the Christ comes from David's descendants and from the little town of Bethlehem where David lived?" ⁴³ So the people were divided because of him. ⁴⁴ Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.



1 Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness With a
 2 Praise the one who blessed the chil - dren With a
 3 Let us praise the Word in - car - nate, Christ, who



lib - er - a - ting light; Praise the one who frees the
 strong, yet gen - tle, word; Praise the one who drove out
 suf - fered in our place; Je - sus died and rose vic -



pris - 'ners, Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight,
 de - mons With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
 to - rious That we may know God by grace.



Praise the one who preached the gos - pel, Heal - ing
 Praise the one who brings cool wa - ter To the
 Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, See - ing



ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing storms and feed - ing
 des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this well comes liv - ing
 what our God has done; Let us praise the true Re -



thou - sands With the Fa - ther's word of peace,
 wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
 deem - er, Praise the one who makes us one.

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Tune: BEACH SPRING (87 87 D) alt. Benjamin F. White, 1800-79.

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² Through him we also have obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand. And we rejoice confidently on the basis of our hope for the glory of God. ³ Not only this, but we also rejoice confidently in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces patient endurance, ⁴ and patient endurance produces tested character, and tested character produces hope. ⁵ And hope will not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who was given to us. ⁶ For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. ⁸ But God shows his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

“God’s Love has Been Poured into Our Hearts”

STAND

APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

GATHERING OF THANK-OFFERING

*Please sign and pass the Friendship Register
during collection of the offering.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O God, you led your ancient people by the hand of Moses and Aaron. Lead us through the wilderness of this world and refresh us by the living water flowing from the stricken side of Christ. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, preserve our nation, and prosper the cause of justice in this land. Guide and grant your wisdom to our president; the Congress of the United States; our governor; and all elected and appointed civil servants. During this time of conflict in the Middle East, restore peace among the nations, and watch over those who protect us in the armed forces of our land. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O great Physician of body and soul, by your Word and Holy Spirit comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Hold them all in your almighty hands and bring them consolation. Heal them according to your gracious will, and give us all grace to accept and bear our crosses with faith in you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, grant that at the Table your Son has prepared we may find food and drink that satisfies the deepest hunger and thirst of our souls, the hunger and thirst for righteousness and peace with you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Lord, to you all hearts are open and all sins are known. Strengthen our hearts by your grace, that we who daily sin much would make confession boldly and then joyfully receive your precious word of absolution. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

These and whatever other things you would have us ask of you, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, your only Son, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing.

Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9
Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBER

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'HOLY, HOLY, HOLY'. It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. Below the first staff, there are two lines of lyrics: '1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and' and '2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is'. The second staff continues the lyrics: 'might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In' and 'he Who in God's name is com - ing To'. The third staff continues: 'count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and' and 'set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -'. The fourth staff continues: 'save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And' and 'va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De -'. The fifth and final staff continues: 'in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.' and 'liv - er us from bond - age—Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!'. The score ends with a double bar line.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28, 1 Corinthians 11:24,25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

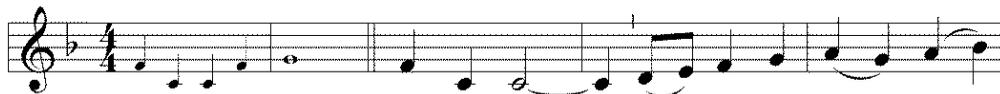
M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29

Agnus Dei





1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring, Sim - ply to
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye -



my - self in thee; Let the wa - ter and the blood
 thy law's de - mands. Could my zeal no res - pite know,
 thy cross I cling; Na - ked, come to thee for dress,
 lids close in death, When I soar to worlds un - known,



From thy riv - en side which flowed Be of sin the
 Could my tears for - ev - er flow, All for sin could
 Help - less, look to thee for grace. Foul, I to the
 See thee on thy judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges,



dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 not a - tone; Thou must save and thou a - lone.
 foun - tain fly— Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die!
 cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in thee!

Text: August M. Toplady, 1740–78, alt.

Tune: TOPLADY (77 77 77) Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872.



1 Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;
 2 This is the hour of banquet and of song;
 3 I have no help but yours nor do I need
 4 Mine is the sin but yours the right - eous - ness;
 5 Too soon we rise; the ves - sels dis - ap - pear.



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen,
 Here is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread a - new.
 An - oth - er arm but yours to lean up - on.
 Mine is the guilt but yours the cleans - ing blood.
 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone.



Here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long
 It is e - nough, O Lord, e - nough in - deed;
 Here is my robe, my ref - uge, and my peace:
 The bread and wine re - move, but you are here,



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on you lean.
 The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with you.
 My strength is in your might, your might a - lone.
 Your blood, your right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God.
 Near - er than ev - er, still my shield and sun.

6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
 Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
 Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
 The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, abr., alt.

Tune: FARLEY CASTLE (10 10 10 10) Henry Lawes, 1595-1662.

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

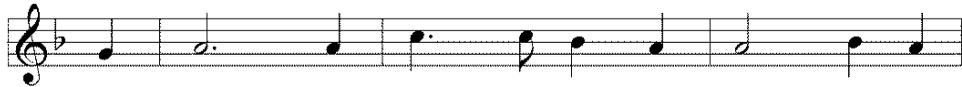
Luke 2:29-32

Nunc Dimittis

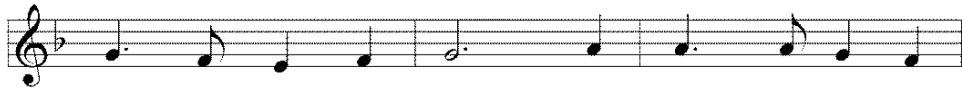
Tune: ANGEL'S STORY



1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace,
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to



as - sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -
the Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -



car - nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en -
ev - er three in one; For as in the be -



light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,
gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une



crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!
name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 108)

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary



1 Je - sus, Ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
2 Dare we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry,
pent - ant vow, As we see you wound - ed, bleed - ing,
love for you! May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing



Sav - ior from the world a - bove, Oh, how oft your
See your thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Since your sin - less
To be - hold your cross a - new, Till in glo - ry,



eyes, of - fend - ed, Gaze up - on a sin - ner's fall! Yet, up -
death has brought us Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest, On - ly
part - ed nev - er From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en



on the cross ex - tend - ed, You en - dured the pain of all.
what your grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
in our hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied!

Text: Girolamo Savonarola, 1452-98; tr. Jane F. Wilde, 1826-96, alt.

Tune: O DU LIEBE MEINER LIEBE (87 87 D) *Erbaulicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz*, Basel, 1745, alt.



Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

In Our Prayers: Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Mary Mundt, John Schueman, and Bonnie Gotzion who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Carter Chavez (grandson of John & Sherry Hill), and Shannon Garrett.

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 9:15 am: Exodus, *sanctuary*

Tuesday 9:00 am: Kings and Prophets of Israel, *lower level*

Friday 6:00 am: Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45 | **The Book of Proverbs**, *DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)*

Sunday March 8: Third Sunday of Lent

Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Sunday School, and Teen Class

- Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Councilman/Elder: 8:00: Henry Nitz 10:30: Dave Olson
- Ushers 8:00: Gene Freund and Bob Degnan
- Ushers 10:30: Dave and Ben Olson
- Counters: Donna Cotter and Sharon Kalscheuer
- Altar Guild: Mandy, Vie, Lia, and Wyn Miller
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle
- Refreshments: Jen Olson

Sunday March 15: Fourth Sunday of Lent

Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Sunday School, and Teen Class

- Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: 8:00: Mike Wilson 10:30: Shane Strong
- Ushers 8:00: Mike Wilson and Ken Krey
- Ushers 10:30: Ryan and Anna Jaeger
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Mandy, Vie, Lia, and Wyn Miller
- A/V & Recording: Raelyn Parker
- Refreshments: TBD

Happy Birthday We wish God's blessings to Dave Olson (3/8), Sheryl Wedel (3/9), Luke Beyer (3/11), Elizabeth Zick (3/13), Garrey Conway (3/14), and Dorothy Kilian (3/14), as they celebrate their birthdays this week.as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

Happy Anniversary We have no anniversaries to share this week.

COMING UP AT LORD OF LOVE

March 9: Evening Quilting | 6:00 p.m. – Lower Level

March 13: LoL Fun and Games | 1:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

March 16: Council Meeting | 6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

March 16: Easter Egg Hunt Coordinating Meeting: | 6:00 p.m. – Lower Level

March 19: Ladies Friendship Circle Meeting | 6:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

March 21: Ladies Coffee/Breakfast | 8:00 a.m. – M-N-M's, Waunakee

March 21: Adult Euchre Card Night | 6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

March 23: Evening Quilting | 6:00 p.m. – Lower Level

March 25: Annual Chili Cook-Off | 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Blessings & Thanks!

Blessings & Thanks to everyone for the recognition and celebration of my 95th Birthday last Sunday. It was very special surprise. With sincere gratitude, *June Thayer*

Note to Sunday School Parents:

The Sunday School children have been busy working on a song that they will be singing with the Senior Choir at the beginning of both services on Palm Sunday, March 29th.

Please have your children arrive at church and meet in the Worship area by 7:40 a.m. for a final rehearsal. If you have any questions, please see Elaine Wilson, or contact her at 608-692-9830 or ewilson4519@gmail.com.

Lent Potluck Dinners:

All are welcome to join us for our Lent Potluck Meals each Wednesday at 5:30 pm during Lent. Bring a dish to share and enjoy some friendly fellowship prior to the 6:30 p.m. Lent Service.

March 21: Adult Euchre Night - 6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall:

The fellowship committee is hosting another Fun Euchre Night! Come join us and enjoy this fun social event that allows you to engage in great fellowship during a euchre scramble that moves from table to table. No need for a partner to play, and No Worries if you don't know how to play, someone will be happy to teach or shadow you until you are comfortable. Bring your own beverage, and an appetizer to share if you would like. Sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

Chili Cook-off March 25: Once again this year we will be hosting the Lord of Love Annal Chili Cook-off Challenge! If you would like to enter your favorite chili recipe, please sign up. *It's time for Paul to give up the 3-time winning Apron!* You may also contribute by signing up to bring a side if you do not want to enter the chili challenge. For more information, please contact Jen Olson.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt - Volunteers Needed | April 4th, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Our Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt is a cherished tradition and a wonderful opportunity to welcome families from our community. A lot of time and preparation goes into hosting this event each year. Ideally, 17-20 volunteers would make everything run smoothly. Volunteers arrive at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday will be done by 11:30 a.m. Please see the sign-up sheet at the back of church. For questions, please contact the Church office at (608) 846-9036 or lolchurchoffice@gmail.com.

Easter Candy:

We are seeking candy donations (approximately 3000 pieces of wrapped candy) or monetary donations to purchase candy. There is a collection bin in the Narthex. All candy must be individually wrapped. No nuts or peanut butter candy please. There are also envelopes available for monetary donations on the back table. Be sure to designate them for Easter candy.

Easter Flower Donations:

The altar guild is asking for donations of potted flowers to beautify our sanctuary for Easter Worship services. Suggested flowers include Easter lilies, tulips, daffodils, hyacinth and other spring blooms. Donations can be brought to church anytime between March 25 – April 4th. The altar guild will maintain the flowers and arrange them for Easter. Donated flowers may be taken home after the Easter services.

Easter Breakfast | April 5th 9:15 am:

All are invited to come be part of a joyful morning of fellowship and service as we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior! We need volunteers to help with setting up, preparing food, serving, and cleaning up for our Easter breakfast. Your helping hands will make this a special time for our church family! If you are willing to serve, please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex, or contact Julie Doyle.

Usher Opportunities:

If you have a friendly spirit and would like to be part of our ushering team, we would love to have you. Ushers play an important role in welcoming our members and visitors, helping to find seating assisting with offerings, and communion, supporting the flow of our services. Most importantly helping to create a warm and inviting atmosphere for everyone who walks through the doors. Training will be provided, and you will be schedule on a rotating basis. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the church office at lolchurchoffice@gmail.com or speak with one of our council members. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve our congregation.



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“It is Finished!” The Holy Week Prophecies of Zechariah

Worship: 3:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Potluck Supper: 5:30 p.m.

March 11

Pastor Nathan Walther – Eastside
Look at the One who was Pierced – Zech. 12:10-13

March 18

Pastor Scott Schwertfeger – Zion, Leeds
Scattered Sheep – Zech. 13:7-9

March 25

Pastor Michael Kampman – Risen Savior, McFarland
What’s He Worth to You? – Zech. 11:7-13



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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”
Psalm 122:1**



*Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament.
Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.*