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MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER

OVERCOMING EVIL

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By President Glenn Obenberger



Most of us would probably say evil is multiplying every day in our American society and it is getting increasingly difficult not to be overcome by it. Most of us could probably make the case that in our lifetime, we have seen law and order deteriorate, disregard for life accelerate, civility disintegrate, rudeness proliferate, anger and hatred boiling over. But while evil can be kept in check with various societal boundaries and safeguards, these never last. The wickedness of man has been there ever since the fall into sin. Think about it: How long did it take for the first recorded murder to happen? Our first parents' firstborn son murdered his younger brother!

We thank our Lord for giving us governing authorities who keep evil in check and keep us from descending into anarchism. Evil has always weighed heavily upon the children of God. Sadly, because we are sinners, our natural way of responding to being overcome by evil is to respond in kind. Read Romans 12:9-21 and consider how difficult it is to respond to evil differently in various circumstances.

When Christians are being persecuted for confessing Jesus as Savior, we are called upon in His Sermon on the Mount to respond by turning the other cheek and counting

such persecution as a blessing (Matthew 5:10-12; 39). But just as the government has the right and expectation to bear the sword to punish the evildoer, so even a Christian can defend him or herself against criminal behavior.

But in common ordinary life, when we experience evil from our fellow sinners in our homes, workplaces, schools, gymnasiums, athletic fields, traffic, in long lines, even churches, here is where we are called upon to heed the Apostle's words to overcome evil with good.

You have probably heard of Christian family members of a horrific murder victim speak out publicly that they forgive the murderer. When I have heard of these loving responses in the face of such evil, I marvel and ask myself if I would have such a gracious and merciful attitude.

Paul, writing to the Ephesians, says: *Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you* (4:32). That last expression is not law, or in other words, "you better do as God did for you in Jesus." Rather,

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it is our motivation to overcome evil with good. God did this for us even when we were still His enemies (Romans 5:6-11) with the result that our interactions with others, even our enemies, will naturally reflect the love we receive daily from our gracious Lord.

Overcoming evil with good in our lives has the prospect of requiring great patience. By responding to evil with the love of Christ, we naturally put ourselves in a vulnerable position, inviting the perpetrator to trample us underfoot. But in truth, while requiring long suffering, it

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affords the opportunity to bear witness to the love of God in Christ for all our neighbors.

We speak of this often when we pray the Lord's Prayer: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." This is the power of Christ Jesus on full display in the lives of His disciples. Thanks be to our gracious Lord who is so longsuffering with us despite the evil we produce on a daily basis. Instead of being overcome by the evil around us and even in us, we get to show kindness and goodness in return for Jesus' sake.

LENTEN SUPPERS – We have three Lenten Suppers left on Mar. 6, 13, and 20. Everyone is welcome to enjoy good food and fellowship. Thank you to all the volunteers who made the delicious food and provided cleanup.



LENTEN SERVICES – Our midweek Lenten worship theme this year is "God on Trial – Restraint, Testimony, Misconceptions, Truth, Sympathy, Respite, Evidence and Vindication." Christ the King is participating in a preaching rotation with Beautiful Savior, Messiah, Mt. Olive and St. Paul Lutheran churches in the Green Bay area. Midweek Lenten services are on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Midweek 4	Mar. 6	Rev. John Zabell (St. Paul)
Midweek 5	Mar. 13	Rev. Ben Workentine (St. Mark)
Midweek 6	Mar. 20	Rev. Roger Holtz
Maundy Thurs.	Mar. 28	Rev. Roger Holtz w/Holy Comm.
Good Friday	Mar. 29	Rev. Roger Holtz
Easter Sunday	Mar. 31	Rev. Roger Holtz

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"Wireless communication is nothing new.
I've been praying for 75 years!"

QUOTES TO PONDER

As long as there are tests, there will be prayer in schools. ~ Unknown

Pray anywhere because God is everywhere. ~ Unknown

Do you say, Good morning, God or Good God, it's morning?

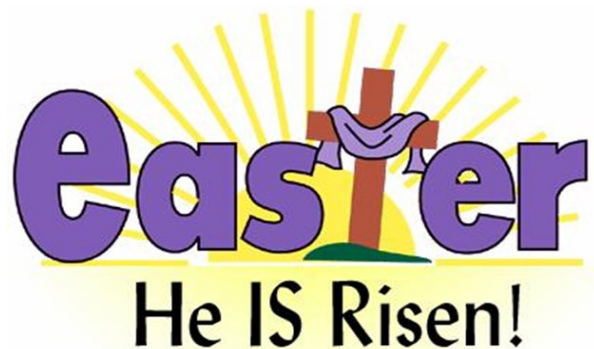
The Bible is rated E for everyone. ~ Unknown

Store your Bible in your heart, not on a shelf. ~ Unknown

I have wondered at times what the Ten Commandments would have looked like if Moses had run them through the U.S. Congress.

~ Ronald Reagan

Smile and laugh often!



Thank You, Lord Jesus, that You not only died on the cross for our sins, but You rose again from the dead so that we could have a victorious, overcoming, Christian life here on earth as it is in heaven. Father, let everyone walk in the power of that resurrection truth. I pray in Jesus' name, Amen."

March Birthdays!

1 Beth Saliger
7 Mark Uhlig
11 Donna Carter
13 David Diestler
24 Jada Montes
25 Paul Koch
29 Mark F. Bergner



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YEAR AT A GLANCE

- 3/6, 3/14, 3/20 - Midweek Lenten Svcs
- 3/24 - Palm Sunday
- 3/28 - Maundy Thursday
- 3/29 - Good Friday
- 3/31 - Easter Sunday
- 4/14 - 1st Quarter Cong. & Voters Meetings
- None - Oral Examination Day
- 5/12 - Mothers' Day
- 6/16 - Fathers' Day, Synod Sunday
- 6/16-20 - Annual Convention of the ELS
- 7/21 - 2nd Quarter Cong. & Voters Meetings
- TBD- Vacation Bible School
- 7/25-28 - ELS LYA Youth Rally
- 9/8 - Rally for Christian Education (First Day of Sun. School & Bible Class)
- TBD - ELS General Pastoral Conference
- 10/20 - 3rd Quarter Cong. & Voters Meetings
- 10/27 - Reformation Day
- 10/31 - Trunk or Treat
- 11/28 - Thanksgiving Eve Service
- 12/4, 12/11, 12/18- Midweek Advent Services
- 12/24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- 12/25 - Christmas Day Festival Service
- 12/31 - New Year's Eve Service

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:00 Divine Service w/Holy Comm. 10:30 Education Hour Livestream: Lori Greenwood USHERS: Group 3	4	5	6 4:00 Emerald Bay Service 5:00 Soup Supper 6:30 Midweek Lenten Serv. USHERS: Select	7	8	9 Change clocks ahead 
10 9:00 Divine Service 10:30 Education Hour Livestream: Jason Diestler USHERS: Group 1	11	12 2:00 WOM	13 4:00 Emerald Bay Service 5:00 Soup Supper 6:30 Midweek Lenten Serv. USHERS: Select	14	15	16
17 9:00 Divine Service w/Holy Comm. 10:30 Education Hour Livestream: Julie Busse USHERS: Group 2 Elder: Dan Lindquist	18 6:30 Board of Elders	19 HELLO SPRING 	20 4:00 Emerald Bay Service 5:00 Soup Supper 6:30 Midweek Lenten Serv. USHERS: Select Elder: Rod Meves	21	22	23
24 9:00 Palm Sunday Palm Sunday 10:30 Education Hour Livestream: Julie Busse USHERS: Group 3 	25	26	27 4:00 Emerald Bay Service	28 6:30 Maundy Thursday Wor- ship Service w/Holy Comm.	29 6:30 Good Friday Worship Service 	30
31 9:00 Divine Service East ^{er} 10:30 Education Hour Livestream: Dan Meves USHERS: Group 1 						



GOD ON TRIAL



Midweek Lenten Service Schedule:

Third Midweek Lenten Service—March 6, 6:30 p.m.

Fourth Midweek Lenten Service—March 13, 6:30 p.m.

Fifth Midweek Lenten Service—March 20, 6:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday—March 24, 9:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday—March 28, 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday—March 29, 6:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY
MARCH 31, 9:00 A.M.