

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Second Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2020



COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

READINGS

Genesis 12:1-9; Romans 4:1-8, 13-17; John 3:1-17

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Sermon on the Mount is the topic for this week's lesson, "Mountain Message." Jesus reminds His listeners not to worry about things they cannot control. The birds of the air and the flowers of the field serve as examples of God's continuing care for His creation. Likewise, we have no need for worry or anxiousness, because God provides and cares for us.

LENTEN DINNERS: Lenten Dinners before the Lenten service have become a tradition, and this year is no exception. We will need volunteers to make this happen, and it may be something you would be interested to help doing. There will be a sign-up sheet posted on the hallway bulletin board. Shifts are 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm, and 6:30 pm until cleanup is completed with some possible needed after service. If you have questions, please contact Sharon Christiansen. Thank you in advance for volunteering.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: The Tuesday morning Bible class has finished the Gospel of Luke. We will be starting a study on the book of Daniel this Tuesday, March 10th. Class is from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. There will be no class on April 7th and 14th.

LENTEN SCHEDULE: Below are the details for this year's Lenten series.

- ✦ March 11th, 7:00 PM - "Oak at Ophrah" Readings: Psalm 78; Judges 6:1-40; Matthew 12:38-42
- ✦ March 18th, 7:00 PM - "Jesse's Tree"
Readings: Psalm 80:8-19; Isaiah 6:1-13; 10:33- 11:16
- ✦ March 25th, 7:00 PM - "Tree of the Lord's Planting" Readings: Psalm 104:10-18; Ezekiel 17:1-24; Mark 4:30-32
- ✦ April 1st, 7:00 PM - "Good Trees Bearing Good Fruit, Bad Trees Bearing Bad Fruit" Readings: Psalm 148; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Matthew 7:15-20

LADIES' GUILD MEETING: Ladies' Guild will be meeting March 11th at 10:00 am. Coffee, tea and a sweet roll will be served. Please remember to bring your "Mites for Missions" money. All women of Messiah are cordially invited to attend!

MEAL TRAIN FOR RYAN AND DANIELLE SMITH: What is a meal train? There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends give a meal, this is a Meal Train. Mealtrain.com is a free meal calendar tool that makes planning meals among a wide group easy and less stressful. <https://mealtrain.com/w36y80>

THIS MONTH'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

DONATION REPORT: In the month of February, we collected the following items for Mary's Place: 8 baby foods, 1 baby wipes, 78 diapers, 3 baby clothing items, 3 baby spoons, and 11 handmade knitted baby hats. Thank you for your generosity! Please place your items in the Cry Room lounge basket across from the coffee bar. In March, we are collecting women's hygiene supplies.

LADIES' NIGHT OUT: The March meeting of Ladies Night Out will be at Spiro's Pizza and Pasta, located at 18411 Aurora Ave N, at 6:00 pm on March 16th. Please RSVP to Bev Edmon, bevedmon@gmail.com or text (425) 773-3711. We hope you can join us.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED! Spring Cleanup Day will be Saturday, March 28th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. We will be working outdoors raking up leaves and pine needles and doing general cleanup around the

church. Bring rakes, brooms, gloves, etc.

ANNUAL AUCTION MARCH 28TH: Roaring 20's! Save the date and gather your 1920's attire to join us for our annual auction on Saturday, March 28th! Our goal is to raise \$85,000 and break attendance records! If you are interested in being a table host to gather 8 people for a table or have ideas of items you could donate (vacation home, nice wine, themed basket, a service), please email clsauktion@concordiaseattle.com.

CONCORDIA AUCTION MARCH 28TH! Have you been thinking about buying tickets to the Concordia Auction March 28th but you think it would be more enjoyable to sit with a few fun friends? We would like to host 1 or 2 tables of 8 from Messiah. Interested? Contact Cheryl Kohring 206-617-4720 or Robin Danforth 206-276-2662. Thanks!!

CONCORDIA AUCTION MARCH 28: Messiah's auction donation this year will be a "gift card tree." By doing this, we will be making a contribution to Concordia in 2 WAYS. We are asking Messiah members to purchase a Concordia SCRIP gift card(any denomination) or make a contribution toward one. The entire gift card tree will then be donated back to the auction to go to the highest bidder! Stop by the table in the lower hallway on the Sundays in March to participate. Thanks for your support!

CALL FOR EASTER VOLUNTEERS! On Easter Sunday, we will be holding a Pancake Breakfast in part of our celebration of our risen King but we need your help! We need volunteers to help with: set up, clean up, and bringing additional side dishes or fresh fruit. Have a favorite brunch side dish? Come share it with Messiah! Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board near the Narthex.

CONCORDIA LIBRARY PROJECT: Hello! My name is Cameron Petro. For my high school graduation project I am restoring the Concordia school library. If you are interested in helping support this project there are two ways; Simply sending a donation of an amount of your choice to Concordia Lutheran School. OR if you are a thrivent member, you can take advantage of a grant your given a year to put towards the library. If you are interested in using your thrivent grant, please email me @nhhspetro@gmail.com for more information about the project. Thank

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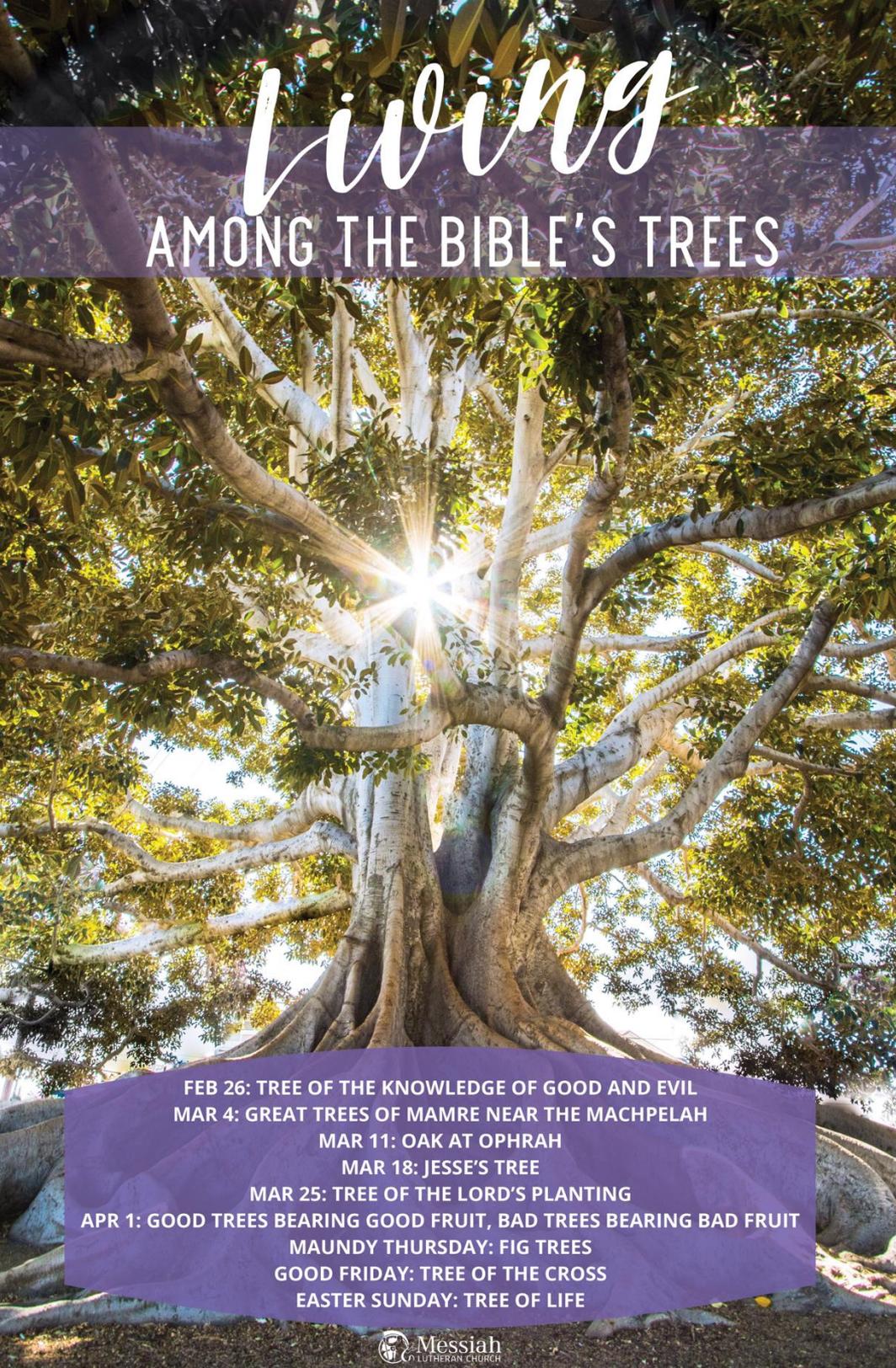
SUNDAY SCHOOL SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED: Here at Messiah, we are thankful for the passionate and dedicated Sunday School teachers that provide weekly Christian education for our young members. But sometimes those teachers have other commitments that pull them away from their post for a Sunday here and there. The Sunday School is seeking a couple members who would be willing to support the regular teachers in a substitute role. Interested members would be welcome to attend some classes led by regular teachers in order to increase comfort level for teaching a class, and any additional resources or training would also be provided as needed. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Sunday School Superintendent Lisa Lindstrom in person on Sundays, or by email: lisa.lindstrom78@gmail.com.

PERSONAL CARE KITS FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF: We are collecting the following items for Personal Care Kits for LWR:

- Light-weight bath-size towels (20-27" wide and 40-52" long), dark color recommended
- Adult-size toothbrushes
- Metal nail clippers
- Bath-size bars of soap (4-5 oz.) in original wrapping

Please see the flyer on the wooden table in the narthex. Items may be placed on the table **before the end of March**. Thank you for your donations!

HEBREWS BIBLE STUDY...LCMS Pastor Will Weedon will begin a Bible study this week on the Book of Hebrews. The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org and on the LPR mobile app.



Living

AMONG THE BIBLE'S TREES

FEB 26: TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL
MAR 4: GREAT TREES OF MAMRE NEAR THE MACHPELAH

MAR 11: OAK AT OPHRAH

MAR 18: JESSE'S TREE

MAR 25: TREE OF THE LORD'S PLANTING

APR 1: GOOD TREES BEARING GOOD FRUIT, BAD TREES BEARING BAD FRUIT

MAUNDY THURSDAY: FIG TREES

GOOD FRIDAY: TREE OF THE CROSS

EASTER SUNDAY: TREE OF LIFE

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**KIDS IN THE
DIVINE SERVICE**
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What is “Lent”?

Lent is a season of the Church Year that lasts six weeks. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends the day before Easter Sunday. During these six weeks we look forward to Good Friday, the day our Lord died on the cross to pay for our sins, and to Easter Sunday, the day He rose from the dead to prove it!



How can I remember to think about Jesus during Lent?

You can give up something you enjoy during Lent. You might see your parents give up their morning coffee. Maybe your brother or sister has decided not to eat candy during Lent. Every time you think about doing what you gave up for Lent, it will remind you of what Jesus gave up for you — His life! Blessings to you as you experience the wonderful journey of Lent!



Parents:

We encourage you to help your child decide on something in their life that they can give up during Lent. Be sure to give up something too. Being their example and companion on this journey makes a big difference!

