

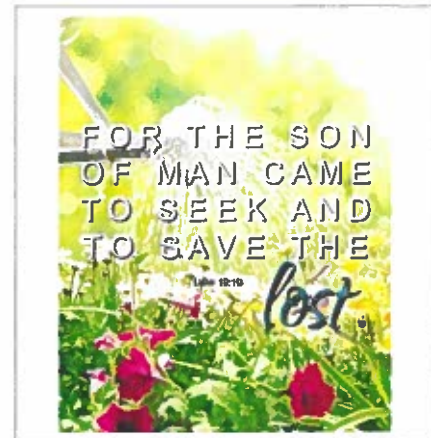
## March 2023 Newsletter

# Our Savior Lutheran Church

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### Our Mission...

...is to equip and encourage followers of Christ to share the love of Jesus with people in our community and in the world so that all may have eternal life.



### March Memory Verse

The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.  
*Luke 19:10*

### Church Staff:

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William & Alicia Jackson, Youth Leaders

Brad Anderson, Congregational President

### Upcoming Events:

**IF:Gathering for Women**  
Friday, March 3rd, 5:45-9:30 pm &  
Saturday, March 4th, 8:45 am-4 pm

**Midweek Lenten Services**  
March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30pm  
Lenten Suppers @ 5:15pm

## **Elders Meeting – February 9, 2023; 7-8 PM**

### **Agenda:**

1. Opening devotion
2. Lenten dinner sponsorship – March 1 mid-week service. Approx. number to plan for?
3. Community service opportunity
4. Best Practice conference – February 16-18
5. Shut-in update
6. Vicarage program update
7. Q2 and Lent midweek service coverage (elder to usher if none available).
8. General discussion, open topics
9. Closing

**Attendees:** Art Granat, Pastor, Keith Kentala, Pat Crum

### **Notes:**

1. Pastor opened with prayer.
2. Elder support needed for the March 1 mid-week supper. Keith to coordinate the meal and will communicate with elders as the date draws near.
3. “Embrace Grace” program discussed. Program is a gospel centered for single, pregnant women in our local community. Looking for a grant from the Endowment committee to support this program. More information needed to understand if Our Savior will help with this.
4. Pastor gave an in-depth update on our shut ins. He is doing a wonderful job with visiting all of them on a routine basis.
5. Vicarage program still being looked into. Unfortunately, the number of vicars is low.
6. March 5<sup>th</sup> will be new member installation with reception to follow.
7. Chapel service for home school children will be the last Wednesday of each month, commencing with Ash Wednesday.
8. Closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

# Board of Evangelism Meeting

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## ATTENDEES

Pastor Kufahl, Jim Harper, Greg Highstrom, Marlene Rieck and Joe Sanfilippo.

## AGENDA

### New Business

Welcome new board member, Joe Sanfilippo.

### Northwoods Share Dinner

The Northwoods Share Dinner is scheduled for February 21st, 2023, and Our Savior has been requested to provide a meal for that dinner. This will be a **sit-down** dinner, so servers will be needed. Members of the congregation are encouraged to participate in this event, as help will be needed. Jim Harper will coordinate the meal and caterer. The congregational youth are invited and encouraged to volunteer to serve for this event. The meal will be picked up and delivered by Jim and servers are encouraged to be there at 4:30 pm. The meal will be served at 5:30 pm.

Easter Basket: Marlene will set up the envelopes again. Jim Harper will find out how many families are in need, and coordinate with Mike at Trig's for the meals. Northland Pines, St. Germain, Land-O-Lakes, and Phelps are the schools that will receive the meals.

New member reception: The new member reception will be held on Sunday, March 5, 2023, after the second service. There are 10 new families/members. Coffee and cake will be served. Greg Highstrom will get a full sheet cake from Trig's.

New Outreach: A new Outreach for the Evangelism Board was introduced for consideration, by Pastor Kuphal. It is called Embrace Grace. It is a program for pregnant women as an alternative to abortion. Pastor will coordinate this new outreach.

***Next Board of Evangelism meeting is: March 2, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.***

## Do Not Be Afraid!

*“A young man dressed in a white robe . . . said, ‘You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, Who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter . . .’ ”* (Mark 16:5-7).

*“Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid”* (Mark 16:8).

Who wouldn't tremble and be afraid! You go to anoint a body to prepare it for a proper burial, but the body is missing. Then some ethereal creature tells you the body isn't there because it is no longer dead but alive. Who could take it in? *“Don't be alarmed”* the man in white said. Yeah, right!

Yet, looking back, perhaps the women remembered the thousands He had fed with only two fish and five loaves of bread (Matthew 14:15-21). Maybe they thought again about the raising of Lazarus from the dead (John 11:38-44). After all, He was the one who had stilled the raging sea (Mark 4:35-41).

Somewhere, sometime, that trembling and bewilderment turned to joy and faith, for they did go tell His disciples and Peter (Matthew 28:8). And Jesus met them and greeted them, and they worshipped Him. *“Then Jesus said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brothers . . .’ ”* (Matthew 28:9-10).

Jesus' last command is the same as this one: Don't be afraid. Go and tell. We can understand the fear of the women at the empty tomb. What are we afraid of? Trouble? Or hardship? Persecution? Or famine? Nakedness? Or danger? Or sword? There is no fear in these things! *“No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him Who loved us”* (Romans 8:35, 37). We have the benefit of history. The women at the tomb couldn't fathom the outcome, but we have God's Word that assures us of our victory in Christ. We have His promise, *“And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age”* (Matthew 28:20). So don't be afraid! Go and tell!

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

# Martha Society News

MARTHA SOCIETY

MARCH 2023

**The next meeting will be on March 8, 2023. The Board meeting will be held at 10:30; a luncheon will be served at 11:30 and the general membership meeting starts at 12 Noon. Our hostesses for the meeting are Sharon Gifford and Karla Lokker. Christian Life will be given by Marianne Braun.**

**We will also be hosting the Lenten dinner on the same day. We are serving soup, salads, and dessert. There is a sign-up sheet in the hall. Let's have a great turnout!**

**A special "Thank you" to Judy Jousma for the beautiful handmade cards she donated to Martha. They are in the back of the Fellowship Hall and are for sale along with the rest of the cards.**

**ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS! Save the date of May 17 for our annual Salad Luncheon/Card party. Admission will be \$15. Look for more information to follow.**

**Before the meeting we will be donating our Mission Checks to area groups. A picture will be taken for the paper. We are fortunate enough to donate over \$4,000 for 2022. Thank you to all the ladies and their hard work at our fundraisers and for all those who attended. You helped us to make this donation.**

**On March 18, Lutheran World Relief has designated this day as National Quilting Day. We have our own quilters group at Our Savior. There will be a few quilts on display that weekend along with some posters talking about Lutheran World Relief. Donna Liedtke is submitting an article explaining about the history of our quilters' group.**

**Lastly, I just want to say a few words about one of our members who recently passed away. We will miss Jan Toivonen, our stamp lady, cookie walk chairperson, and Green Bay Packer backer. She was a fixture of our Martha Society and now there is an empty spot at our meetings. We know that she is with our Savior and some day we will see her again. We celebrate her life and we will miss you Jan!**

**Teri Kressin**

**President**

**Martha Society**

<u>Date/Service</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Media Operators</u>
March 1 Lent 4:30 PM	Keith Kentala	Need Volunteers			
March 5 Communion 7:30 AM	Art Granat	Debbie Holewinski Jim Harper		Debbie Holewinski	Vicki Holewinski
Acolyte: Connor Clark					
March 5 Acolyte: Ellie Wilson 10:00 AM	Brad Anderson	David Parker Lynn Parker		Diane Kuntz	Camera:
March 8 Lent 4:30 PM	Art Granat	Bob Merz			
March 12 Acolyte: Izzy Stenschke 7:30 AM	Pat Crum	Chuck Healy Karla Healy		Pat Crum	Camera:
March 12 Communion 10:00 AM	Tim Forss	Christian Forss Jennifer Kasmarek		Diane Kuntz	Jackie Pearce
Acolyte: Samantha Aschenbrenner					
March 15 Lent 4:30 PM	Pat Crum	Need Volunteers			
March 19 Communion 7:30 AM	Jim Bonson	Bob Merz Sue Frank		Sue Frank	Vicki Holewinski
Acolyte: Emily Sauer					
March 19 Acolyte: Naomi Kadlec 10:00 AM	Tim Kadlec	Andy Ellenberger		Sue Kurth	Camera:
March 22 Lent 4:30 PM	Jim Bonson	Needs Volunteers			
<b>IF YOU CANNOT BE THERE WHEN SCHEDULED, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO GET A REPLACEMENT!!!</b>					
March 26 Acolyte: Connor Clark 7:30 AM	Art Granat	Jim Bonson		Mary Malinsky	Jackie Pearce
March 26 Communion 10:00 AM	Brad Anderson	Grant Meyer Gerry Gifford Paul Kurth		Rick Behrens	Jackie Pearce
Acolyte: Kamryn Boehm					
March 29 Lent 4:30 PM	Tim Kadlec	Needs Volunteers			

# March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b> 7:30am Early Service 8:45am Winter Craft Fair 10am Late Service/Comm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 9am Bible Study 9:30am Quilting 6pm JuBELLation 7pm Choir	<b>1</b> 4pm W.O.W. 4:30pm Lenten Service 5:15pm Lenten Dinner 5:30pm Confirmation 7pm HS Youth Group	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Office Closed 5:45 pm IF:Gathering	<b>4</b> 7am Men's Bible Study 8:45 am IF:Gathering
<b>5</b> 7:30am Early Service/Comm 8:45am Education Hour for all ages 10am Late Service	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 9am Bible Study 9:30am Quilting 6pm JuBELLation 7pm Choir	<b>8</b> 10:30am Martha Board 11:30am Martha 4pm W.O.W. 4:30pm Lenten Service 5:15pm Lenten Dinner 5:30pm Confirmation 7pm HS Youth Group	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Office Closed	<b>11</b> 7am Men's Bible Study
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