

Marriage Is a Sign that Manifests the Gospel of Christ and His Church

Humanity is created in the image and likeness of God. "It is not good that the man should be alone" (Gen. 2:18). For the Lord Himself is a perfect communion of three Persons — the Father, Son and Holy Spirit — in one God. Therefore, "the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs," which "he made into a woman" and brought "to the man" (Gen. 2:21–22). It is for this reason that "a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh" (Gen. 2:24; Mark 10:7). This great mystery of holy marriage signifies Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son of God, and His Bride, the Church. Divorce and all manner of adultery contradict and undermine this sign, and in doing so, they confess a false Christ and a false gospel. "What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate" (Mark 10:9). In truth, Christ Jesus has atoned for all such sins, and He has perfected marriage in Himself "through suffering," that He might bring "many sons to glory" in His resurrection (Heb. 2:8–10).

WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL for all 3-year-olds through 8th grade will start in Oswald Hall at 9:15 a.m.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets in the Fellowship Hall at 9:15am.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is studying the book of Romans on Tuesdays at 7am in the Church Library. If you would like to attend, please contact Duane Graf at 414-218-8156 or the Church Office. Please note that this is the same Bible Study that is being offered on Wednesday evenings.

TUESDAY LADIES' BIBLE STUDY meets on Tuesdays at 9am in the Fellowship Hall, and is studying the book "Bless These Lips".

WOMEN'S HOME BIBLE STUDY will continue meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm and will be studying Isaiah. Please contact Diane Gihring, Kathy Herbst, or the Church Office more information.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY is studying the book of Romans on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Church Library. If you would like to attend, please contact Duane Graf at 414-218-8156 or the Church Office. Please note that this is the same Bible Study that is being offered on Tuesday mornings.

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY is for any youth in grades 9-12, and it will be held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall and is studying "The Gospel-Centered Life"..

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets on Thursdays at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor DeArmond is leading participants through a longer look at the Sunday lessons.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY will continue meeting on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall and will be going through a study of Nehemiah.

CHARITABLE INFORMATION

THIRD QUARTER SPECIAL MISSIONS: Our fourth quarter Special Missions offering will support Camp LuWiSoMo in Wild Rose, WI. Camp LuWiSoMo is 380 acres of outdoor fun for people of all ages! During the summer, they host youth summer camps for preschool through high schoolers and Joyful Hearts for individuals with developmental disabilities. They also host retreats-including our very own Confirmation Retreat!

HURRICANE RELIEF: If you are interested in providing financial support for the Hurricane Helene relief efforts, please visit www.lcms.org/givenow/disaster or text LCMSDISASTERS to 41-444.

CHURCH INFORMATION

LWML SUNDAY: Today we give thanks to God for the work that our Women's Ministry does throughout the entire year! Since October 2023, Women's Ministry has given out \$5,000 in grants to various organizations, assembled 207 school kits for Lutheran World Relief and the Attic Workshop, created 38 quilts, 18 baby quilts, and sewed 24 pillowcase dresses. Well done, good and faithful servants!

FUNERAL WORKSHOP: Talking about death can be a difficult discussion. However, the funeral service itself becomes the Christian witness of one's faith and a great comfort. While discussing and planning a funeral may be difficult, it is actually a loving and caring act for those who are still alive. No matter your

age, if you have done some planning or no planning, it is important to understand what happens at a Christian funeral. *Why do we even have funerals? Why do we do certain things in the funeral liturgy? What is appropriate or inappropriate? Does it matter if I have it at church or just the funeral home? What about cremation or eulogies?* Between services this weekend we will be gathering in the Fellowship Hall to learn more about the Christian funeral, talk about pre-planning, answer the above questions, and many more.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for 2 individuals who would be willing to change the paraments on the altar at the change of the church seasons and as needed throughout the church year. If you would be interested in serving in this role, please contact Pastor DeArmond.

FELLOWSHIP: Between early and late worship on Sundays, please join us for fellowship in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to volunteer to bring snacks, please sign-up on the bulletin board.

FALL FESTIVAL: Mark your calendars now for our Fall Festival on Saturday, October 19th! Beginning at 4pm, we'll have many games and activities for all ages including: Bingo, a Bake Sale, Pumpkin Painting, Hammerslagen, kids games, bounce house and more. At 5pm we'll begin the Pig Roast and Potluck Dinner. We will provide the pig roast, and we encourage you to bring a side dish or dessert to share. A free will donation will be taken to help cover the cost of the food. Following the dinner, we'll have a costume contest and flashlight candy hunt. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

FALL FEST NEEDS: We need the following for our Fall Fest on October 19th: Pig roasters, donations of hay, pumpkins and fall themed decorations. We are also collecting candy for the flashlight candy hunt. If you are able to help with any of the following, please contact Jaime or Jennifer.

BAKERS NEEDED: Women's Ministry is hosting a bake sale at the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 19th, and are in need of bakers to make delicious treats to sell. Please have your baked goods to church by 10am on October 19th.

GUIDEBOOK: The 2024 Guidebook Directory is beginning to arrive on your doorsteps! If you notice that your information is listed incorrectly, please call the Church Office to update it at your earliest convenience. If you do not receive the book in the next 2 weeks, please let us know, as we have additional copies available.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: We are seeking a Business Manager/Administrative assistant, who can efficiently provide administrative support to the pastor, staff, and lay leadership of the church and to conduct all activities of the main church office including, but not limited to bookkeeping, payroll processing, public relations, membership, worship related activities, and Preschool needs. This position is 30-35 hours per week. Please submit your resume to Pastor DeArmond at pastordearmond@gmail.com.

CHILDCARE TEAM: Blessed Savior Lutheran Preschool is looking to add individuals that are caring, outgoing, passionate, energetic, and love working with children to our childcare team for the 2024-2025 school year. Coursework and/or experience in this field is preferred, CPR and first aid are a must. Teachers are responsible for ages 2-5 in our multi-age classroom. Contact Jennifer Leinss at jleinss82@gmail.com.

CRAFT NIGHT: Grab your favorite crafts and join us for Craft Night on Friday, October 11th from 6-10pm. Please bring a snack to share and stay as long as you would like!

YOUTH GROUP: All youth in grades 6th-12th are invited to join us on Sunday, October 13th from 6-8pm as we host "Chopped: Blessed Savior Edition". Come prepared to get creative in the kitchen!

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for our members:

Marvene Lorna Bill Carol Vern

We also remember in our prayers these friends and relatives of our members:

Robert Dan Ellie Jason Shane Pastor Alex John Gabe Amy Logan

We pray the Lord to watch over those who are serving in the military:

Corwyn Erika Carlos Mary Darren

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WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 4th-13th

SAT	9:00am Handbell Rehearsal	THURS	9:30am Bible Study
SUN	LWML SUNDAY		6:30pm Worship and Communion
	8:00am Worship	SAT	8:30am Men’s Bible Study
	9:15am Education Hour		9:00am Handbell Rehearsal
	10:30am Worship	SUN	8:00am Worship and Communion
TUES	7:00am Bible Study		9:15am Education Hour
	9:00am Ladies Bible Study		10:30am Worship and Communion
	6:30pm Elder’s Meeting		5:00pm Youth Gathering Meeting
	6:30pm Women’s Home Bible Study		6:00pm Youth Group
WED	9:00am Quilters		
	7:00pm Adult Bible Study		
	7:00pm High School Bible Study		

Attendance: 208 **Offerings:** \$8,850 **Needed Weekly:** \$10,212.08

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